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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5117-N-13]

Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB; Energy Conservation for PHA-Owned or Leased Projects-Audits, Utility Allowances

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

PHAs establish allowances for PHA-furnished utilities and for resident-purchased utilities. PHAs document, and provide for resident inspection, the basis upon which allowances and scheduled surcharges (and revisions thereof) are established. PHAs complete energy audits, benefit/cost analyses for individual meters vs. master-metering.

Additionally, PHAs review annual and updated tenant utility allowances, as necessary.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* March 1, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB approval Number (2577-0062) and should be sent to: HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; fax: 202-395-6974.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lillian Deitzer, Departmental Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410; e-mail Lillian_L_Deitzer@HUD.gov or telephone (202) 708-2374. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Deitzer or from HUD's Web site at <http://hlannwp031.hud.gov/po/i/icbts/collectionsearch.cfm>.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice informs the public that the Department of Housing and Urban Development has submitted to OMB a request for approval of the information collection described below. This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the

proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Energy Conservation for PHA-owned or Leased Projects-Audits, Utility Allowances.

OMB Approval Number: 2577-0062.

Form Numbers: HUD-50078.

Description of the Need for the Information and Its Proposed Use: PHAs establish allowances for PHA-furnished utilities and for resident-purchased utilities. PHAs document, and provide for resident inspection, the basis upon which allowances and scheduled surcharges (and revisions thereof) are established. PHAs complete energy audits, benefit/cost analyses for individual meters vs. master-metering. Additionally, PHAs review annual and updated tenant utility allowances, as necessary.

Frequency of Submission: Annually.

	Number of respondents	Annual responses	×	Hours per response	=	Burden hours
Reporting Burden	3090	1		3.01		9,330

Total Estimated Burden Hours: 9,330.

Status: Extension of a currently approved collection.

Authority: Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 35, as amended.

Dated: January 25, 2007.

Lillian L. Deitzer,

Departmental Paperwork Reduction Act Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5124-N-02]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment: Restrictions on Assistance to Noncitizens

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. This collection is a joint effort with the Office of Housing. The Department is soliciting public

comments on the subject proposal. HUD is requesting extension of OMB approval for the applications for the Document Package for Applicant/Tenant's Consent to the Release of Information and the Authorization for the Release of Information/Privacy Act Notice.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* April 2, 2007.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name/or OMB Control number and should be sent to: Aneita Waites, Reports Liaison Officer, Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 4116, Washington, DC 20410-5000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Aneita Waites, (202) 708-0713, extension 4114, for copies of the proposed forms (if any) and other available documents. (This is not a toll-free number).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended). This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) evaluate the

accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology; e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Restrictions on Assistance to Noncitizens.

OMB Approval Number: 2501-0014.

Form Numbers: HUD-9886, HUD-9887.

Description of the need for the information and its proposed use: HUD is prohibited from making financial

assistance available to other than citizens or persons of eligible immigration status. This is a request for an extension of the current approval for HUD to require a declaration of citizenship or eligible immigration status from individuals seeking certain housing assistance. Eligible immigrants must provide (1) The original alien registration documents and submission of a (2) verification consent form.

Members of Affected Public:

Individuals or households, Business or other for-profit, State, Local, or Tribal Government.

Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents:

Frequency of Submission: On occasion, Annually.

	Number of respondents	Annual responses	×	Hours per response	=	Burden hours
Reporting Burden	2,886,392	10,794,339		0.0333		360,214

Total Estimated Burden Hours: 360,214.

Status of the proposed information collection: Extension of currently approved collection.

Authority: Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 35, as amended.

Dated: January 24, 2007.

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Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Policy, Program and Legislative Initiatives.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5004-N-02]

Emergency Capital Repair Grants for Multifamily Housing Projects Designated for Occupancy by the Elderly; Revised Eligibility Requirements

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On May 22, 2006, HUD published a notice entitled, "Emergency Capital Repair Grants for Multifamily Housing Projects Designated for Occupancy by the Elderly," which announced the availability of approximately \$30 million in grant funds to make emergency capital repairs to eligible multifamily projects

designated for occupancy by elderly tenants. The notice published in today's **Federal Register** revises the May 22, 2006 notice to expand the eligibility requirements to include those eligible projects located in presidentially declared disaster areas regardless of when final closing occurred. Those projects not located in presidentially declared disaster areas must have had final closing on or before January 1, 1999.

DATES: HUD will accept applications on a first-come, first-serve basis upon publication of this notice and will award emergency capital repair grants until available amounts are expended. Applicants should submit emergency capital repair applications as soon as they have prepared an application that complies with the procedures and requirements contained in this notice.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: G. DeWayne Kimbrough, Director, Grant and Housing Assistance Field Support Division, Office of Multifamily Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 6146, Washington, DC 20410; telephone (202) 708-3000 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On May 22, 2006 (71 FR 29538), HUD published a notice that announced the availability of approximately \$30 million in grant

funds to make emergency capital repairs to eligible multifamily projects owned by private nonprofit entities that are designated for occupancy by elderly tenants. The capital repair needs must relate to items that present an immediate threat to the health, safety, and quality of life of the tenants. The intent of these grants is to provide one-time assistance for emergency items that could not be absorbed within the project's operating budget and other project resources, and where the tenants' continued occupancy in the immediate near future would be jeopardized by a delay in initiating the proposed cure. The notice provided instructions for owners of multifamily projects to request funding and instructions for the HUD field offices to process requests.

This notice revises the eligibility criteria set forth in the May 22, 2006 notice. Under that notice, in order to be eligible, projects must have had final closing on or before January 1, 1999. This notice expands the eligibility criteria to include those projects located in presidentially declared disaster areas, regardless of the date of final closing.

HUD believes that by expanding eligibility to projects located in presidentially declared disaster areas, HUD will be able to assist nonprofit owners repair their projects have that been damaged by flooding, earthquakes and other disasters, to ensure the health, safety and quality of life for their tenants.