existing information in support of ICE's mission to enforce and investigate violations of U.S. criminal and administrative laws. ICE agents, criminal research specialists, and intelligence analysts use FALCON-SA to conduct research that support the production of law enforcement intelligence products, provide lead information for investigative inquiry and follow-up, assist in the conduct of ICE criminal and administrative investigations, assist in the disruption of terrorist or other criminal activity, and discover previously unknown connections among existing ICE investigations. ICE's use of the system is always predicated on homeland security, law enforcement, and intelligence activities. FALCON-SA is an internal system used only by ICE.

In order to mitigate privacy and security risks associated with the deployment of FALCON—SA, ICE has built technical safeguards into the system and developed a governance process that includes the operational components of ICE Homeland Security Investigations, the oversight functions of the ICE Privacy Office, Office Principal Legal Advisor, and Office of the Chief Information Officer.

This PIA is necessary because FALCON—SA accesses and stores PII retrieved from DHS, other government agency, and commercially available databases. It is also necessary to provide public notice of the existence of FALCON—SA and to publicly document the privacy protections that are in place for the system.

System: DHS/NPPD/PIA-022 Linking Encrypted Network system (LENS). Component: NPPD.

Date of approval: February 9, 2012. DHS, NPPD, Critical Infrastructure Technology and Architecture (CITA) Project maintains the Linking Encrypted Network System (LENS), a data repository and application set that acts as a network of online portals or modules, allowing authorized users to obtain, post and exchange information and access common resources. NPPD conducted this PIA to examine the

privacy impact associated with the collection of PII related to individuals who are LENS users or seeking access to LENS, as well as PII related to POCs that may be maintained within the LENS data repository. NPPD will conduct separate PIAs, as necessary, for those modules or applications residing on the LENS platform where the scope of the collection is beyond that of this PIA.

Dated: March 12, 2012.

#### Mary Ellen Callahan,

Chief Privacy Officer, Department of Homeland Security.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5499-FA-01]

Announcement of Funding Awards for the Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) Technical Assistance (NSP TA) Fiscal Year (FY) 2011

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

**ACTION:** Announcement of funding awards.

SUMMARY: In accordance with section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989, this announcement notifies the public of funding decisions made by the Department in a competition for funding under the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the FY2011 Neighborhood Stabilization—Technical Assistance Program. This announcement contains the names of the awardees and amounts of the awards made available by HUD.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Julie Hovden, Director, Technical Assistance Division, Office of Community Planning and Development, 451 Seventh Street SW., Room 7218, Washington, DC 20410–7000; telephone (202) 402–4496 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with speech or hearing impairments

may access this telephone number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service during working hours at 800–877–8339. For general information on this and other HUD programs, visit HUD's NSP Resource Exchange at www.hudnsphelp.info, HUD's Web site at www.hud.gov, or call Community Connections at 1–800–998–9999.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FY 2011 Neighborhood Stabilization Technical Assistance Program was designed to provide assessment tools, technical and capacity building assistance to state government, local government and non-profit recipients of Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) funding to achieve and measureable outcomes through the selection of technical assistance (TA) providers for this program.

The competition was announced in the NSP-TA NOFA published October 17, 2011 (FR-5499-N-01) and closed on November 21, 2011. The NOFA allowed for up to \$20 million for Neighborhood Stabilization Program (NSP) Technical Assistance (NSP-TA) for technical assistance and capacity building activities for recipients, including state and local governments and non-profit organizations, receiving federal Neighborhood Stabilization Program funds. Applications were rated and selected for funding on the basis of selection criteria contained in the Notice. For the FY2011 competition, 12 awards totaling \$20,000,000 were awarded to 12 distinct technical assistance providers nationwide.

In accordance with section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989 (103 Stat. 1987, 42 U.S.C. 3545), the Department is publishing in Appendix A to this document the name of the NSP-TA grantees and the amounts of the awards.

Dated: March 14, 2012.

### Clifford D. Taffet,

General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development.

## APPENDIX A

Recipient	State	Amount
APD Urban Planning Management, LLC	FL	\$500,000
Capital Access, Inc	PA	500,000
Cloudburst Consulting Group	MD	3,000,000
Corporation for Supportive Housing	NY	500,000
Dennison Associates, Inc		1,000,000
Econometrica, Inc	MD	1,000,000
Enterprise Community Partners, Inc	MD	3,000,000
ICF International		3,000,000
Local Initiatives Support Corporation	NY	3,000,000
Minnesota Housing Partnership	MN	1,000,000

### APPENDIX A—Continued

Recipient	State	Amount
Training & Development Associates, Inc	NC GA	3,000,000 500,000
Total		20,000,000

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# DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5627-N-03]

Notice of Realignment/Merger of Five Regional Audit Offices: Boston, MA Will Merge With New York, NY; and the Gulf Coast Region Will Merge With Atlanta, GA and Fort Worth, TX

**AGENCY:** Office of Inspector General, United States Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD/OIG).

**ACTION:** Notice of reorganization: realignment of Five Regional Audit Offices: Boston, Massachusetts (Region 1) will merge with New York, New York (Region 2); and The Gulf Coast Region (Region 11) will merge with Atlanta, Georgia (Region 4) and Fort Worth, Texas (Region 6).

**SUMMARY:** This notice advises the public that the HUD/OIG Office of Audit plans to merge/reclassify its Boston, Massachusetts (Region 1) office with its New York, New York (Region 2) office; and merge its Gulf Coast Region (Region 11) office with its Atlanta, Georgia (Region 4) office and Fort Worth, Texas (Region 6) office. The planned reorganization is intended to:

1. Improve the alignment of limited audit resources, to promote more efficient responses to HUD or Congressional requests involving critical program issues;

2. Improve management control and effectiveness while improving the overall management structure; and

3. Deploy resources to address systemic concerns within HUD.
The HUD/OIG Office of Investigations has announced its own realignment/ reorganization, which impacts region 11 as well. This notice also includes a costbenefit analysis supporting the merger of these five audit regional offices into three audit regional offices.

## FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Randy W. McGinnis, Assistant Inspector General for Audit, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street SW., Room 8274, Washington, DC 20410–4500, telephone (202) 402–0364 (this is not a toll free number.) A telecommunication device for hearing and speech-impaired persons (TTY) is available at (800) 877–8339 (Federal Relay Services). (This is a toll free number.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Section 7(p) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Act (42 U.S.C. 3535(p)) provides that:

A plan for reorganization, of any regional, area, insuring, or other field office of the Department of Housing and Urban Development may take effect only upon the expiration of 90 days after the publication in the **Federal Register** of a cost-benefit analysis of the effect of the plan on the office involved.

The required cost-benefit analysis must include: (1) An estimate of cost savings anticipated; (2) an estimate of the additional cost which will result from the reorganization; (3) a discussion of the impact on the local economy; and (4) an estimate of the effect of the reorganization on the availability, accessibility, and quality of services provided for recipients of those services.

Legislative history pertaining to section 7(p) indicates that not all reorganizations are subject to the requirements of section 7(p). Congress stated that "[t]his amendment is not intended to [apply] to or restrict the internal operations or organization of the Department (such as the establishment of new or combination of existing organization units within a field office, the duty stationing of employees in various locations to provide on-site service, or the establishment or closing, based on workload, of small, informal offices such as valuation stations)." (See House Conference Report No. 95-1792, October 14, 1978 at 58.) Although HUD/ OIG believes that the legislative history of section 7(p) strongly suggests that the legislation is inapplicable to merger of regional offices that will in no way reduce the level of services provided to areas served by such offices, HUD/OIG nonetheless voluntarily publishes the following cost-benefit analysis of its plan.

### **Cost-Benefit Analysis**

## A. Background

Since 2002, HUD/OIG staffing has declined from an average high of 730 full time equivalents (FTEs) to a current level of 650 FTEs. HUD OIG has a target level of 620 for the beginning of FY 2013. Simultaneous with this constriction of staff resources, HUD/OIG is contending with the onslaught of mortgage fraud issues and foreclosure issues associated with the collapse of the mortgage industry and the subprime market, examining and evaluating the implementation, execution and oversight of HUD's HOME program, the crippled economy and the impact that the economy has had on the foreclosure of HUD FHA insured loans. To more efficiently and effectively address HUD/ OIG's core mission and at the same time become better prepared to respond to inevitable but unpredictable events, HUD/OIG plans to merge five regional audit offices into three regional audit offices, 90 days following the publication of this notice.

### B. Description of Proposed Changes

90 days following the publication of this notice, the HUD/OIG Office of Audit will merge its Region 1 Boston, Massachusetts office with its Region 2 New York, New York office. This one combined region can more effectively and efficiently serve the geographic area which it will cover while ultimately reducing costs. The New York office shall remain a regional office, the Boston office and its former field offices will become field offices of Region 2. HUD/OIG will also merge its Region 11 Gulf Coast office with its Region 4 Atlanta, Georgia office and its Region 6 Fort Worth, Texas office. The Gulf Coast regional staff located in Mississippi will be assigned to the Atlanta, Georgia region while its New Orleans, Louisiana based staff will be assigned to region 6 in Ft. Worth, Texas. Region 11, which was created in response to the natural disasters that struck this area, will no longer exist as a separate region, and its states of responsibility will revert back to the regions that historically oversaw them. All other existing regional and field office jurisdictional boundaries will be unchanged. HUD/OIG Office of