

(risk-based) Tier 3 or Tier 4 by DHS, can meet its regulatory requirement to draft and implement a Site Security Plan. Section 2102(c)(4) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 labels this new process the “Expedited Approval Program.”

Participation in the Expedited Approval Program is optional for Tier 3 and Tier 4 chemical facilities. If a Tier 3 or Tier 4 chemical facility opts not to participate in the Expedited Approval Program, it must comply with the other CFATS requirements for submission of a Site Security Plan (or an Alternative Security Program) to DHS for review, and for implementation of the submitted plan. *See generally* 6 CFR part 27, subpart B (describing requirements for submission and implementation of Site Security Plans and Alternative Security Programs outside of the Expedited Approval Program). Under the Expedited Approval Program, a Tier 3 or Tier 4 chemical facility may submit a Site Security Plan to DHS, which must either follow the prescriptive measures described in the guidance document announced by this Notice of Availability, or the Tier 3 or Tier 4 chemical facility must certify that any material deviations from the guidance meet the risk-based performance standards contained in CFATS.⁵ If a Tier 3 or Tier 4 chemical facility chooses to submit a Site Security Plan in accordance with the guidance, DHS can review the Site Security Plan for facial deficiency within 100 days after the date on which the Plan is received by DHS, as outlined in section 2102(c)(4)(G)(i) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002. DHS will subsequently monitor facilities’ compliance with their Site Security Plans in accordance with this guidance through inspections and audits conducted under CFATS.

Exemption From Administrative Procedure Act Requirements

Section 2102(c)(4)(B)(iii)(I) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 provides that the Secretary is exempt from the requirements of section 553 of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. 553, if the Secretary issues the guidance on or before June 16, 2015. Accordingly, DHS is issuing this guidance without regard to section 553 of the Administrative Procedure Act.

Exemption From the Paperwork Reduction Act

Section 2102(c)(4)(B)(iii)(II) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002

provides that the Secretary is exempt from the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, Subchapter I, if the Secretary issues the guidance on or before June 16, 2015. Accordingly, DHS is issuing guidance without regard to the requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act.

Issuance of Agency Guidance for the Expedited Approval Program

Section 2102(c)(4)(B)(i) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 directs the Department to issue prescriptive guidance for chemical facilities that choose to submit Site Security Plans as part of an Expedited Approval Program that “identifies specific security measures that are sufficient to meet the risk-based performance standards.” The Expedited Approval Program guidance may be found on www.dhs.gov/chemicalsecurity and is also available in the docket.

This notice is issued under authority of 5 U.S.C. 552(a) and section 2102(c)(4) of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 622(c)(4)).

Suzanne Spaulding,

Under Secretary, National Protection and Programs Directorate, Department of Homeland Security.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY

Transportation Security Administration

Extension of Agency Information Collection Activity Under OMB Review: Baseline Assessment for Security Enhancement (BASE) Program

AGENCY: Transportation Security Administration, DHS.

ACTION: 30-day notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces that the Transportation Security Administration (TSA) has forwarded the Information Collection Request (ICR), Office of Management and Budget (OMB) control number 1652-0062, abstracted below to OMB for review and approval of a revision to the currently approved collection under the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA). TSA has combined two previously-approved ICRs (1652-0061 and 1652-0062) into this single request to simplify the collection, increase transparency, and reduce duplication. The ICR describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden. TSA published a **Federal Register** notice, with a 60-day comment period soliciting comments, of

the following collection of information on February 11, 2015 at 80 FR 7623. The collection allows TSA to conduct transportation security-related assessments during site visits with surface transportation security and operating officials.

DATES: Send your comments by June 12, 2015. A comment to OMB is most effective if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit written comments on the proposed information collection to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, OMB. Comments should be addressed to Desk Officer, Department of Homeland Security/TSA, and sent via electronic mail to oir_submission@omb.eop.gov or faxed to (202) 395-6974.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Christina A. Walsh, TSA PRA Officer, Office of Information Technology (OIT), TSA-11, Transportation Security Administration, 601 South 12th Street, Arlington, VA 20598-6011; telephone (571) 227-2062; email TSAPRA@tsa.dhs.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Comments Invited

In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501 *et seq.*), an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The ICR documentation is available at <http://www.reginfo.gov>. Therefore, in preparation for OMB review and approval of the following information collection, TSA is soliciting comments to—

- (1) Evaluate whether the proposed information requirement 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;
- (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 using appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Information Collection Requirement

Title: Baseline Assessment for Security Enhancement (BASE) Program.
Type of Request: Revision of a currently approved collection.

OMB Control Number: 1652-0062
(Combining 1652-0061 and 1652-0062).

⁵ The CFATS risk-based performance standards are described at 6 CFR 27.230.

Forms(s): Baseline Assessment for Security Enhancement (BASE) electronic checklist.

Affected Public: Highway transportation asset owners and operators, and public transportation agencies, including mass transit bus, rail transit, long-distance rail, and other, less common types of service (cable cars, inclined planes, funiculars, and automated guide way systems).

Abstract: TSA's BASE program works with existing and new transportation operators to identify their current security posture, to identify security gaps, and to implement countermeasures throughout the surface modes of transportation by asking established questions with major transportation asset owners and operators. Data and results collected through the BASE program will inform TSA's policy and program initiatives and allow TSA to provide focused resources and tools to enhance the overall security posture within the surface transportation community.

Number of Respondents: 890.

Estimated Annual Burden Hours: An estimated 9,440 hours annually (Public Transportation—6,440 hours; Highway—3,000 hours).

Christina A. Walsh,

TSA Paperwork Reduction Act Officer, Office of Information Technology.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

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Announcement of Funding Awards for Fiscal Year (FY) 2014 for the Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) Program

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, 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 awards made by the Department to public housing agencies (PHA) in FY 2014 under the Section 8 Housing Choice Voucher (HCV) program. This announcement lists the names,

addresses, and amount of the awards to PHAs for non-competitive funding awards for housing conversion actions, public housing relocations and replacements, moderate rehabilitation replacements, and HOPE VI voucher awards.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Milan Ozdinec, Deputy Assistant Secretary, Office of Housing Voucher Programs, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street SW., Room 4204, Washington, DC 20410-5000, telephone number 202-402-1380. Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at 800-927-7589.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The regulations governing the HCV program are located at 24 CFR 982. The regulations for allocating housing assistance budget authority under Section 213(d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974 are located at 24 CFR part 791, subpart D.

The purpose of the rental assistance program is to assist eligible families pay their rent for decent, safe, and sanitary housing. The FY 2014 awardees announced in this announcement were provided HCV program tenant protection vouchers (TPVs) funds on an as-needed, non-competitive basis, *i.e.*, not consistent with the provisions of a Notice of Funding Availability. TPV awards made to PHAs for program actions that displace families living in public housing were made on a first-come, first-served basis in accordance with PIH Notice 2007-10, Voucher Funding in Connection with the Demolition or Disposition of Occupied Public Housing Units,¹ and PIH Notice 2014-05, Implementation of the Federal Fiscal Year 2014 Funding Provision for the Housing Choice Voucher Program.² Awards for the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) were provided for Rental Supplement and Rental Assistance Payment Projects (RAD component #2) consistent with PIH Notice 2012-32.³ Announcements of funding awards provided under the NOFA process for Mainstream, Designated Housing, Family Unification (FUP), and Veterans Assistance Supportive Housing (VASH) programs will be published in a separate **Federal Register** notice.

Awards published under this notice were provided (1) to assist families living in HUD-owned properties that are being sold; (2) to assist families affected by the expiration or termination of their Project-based Section 8 and Moderate Rehabilitation contracts; (3) to assist families in properties where the owner has prepaid the HUD mortgage; (4) to assist families in projects where the Rental Supplement and Rental Assistance Payments contracts are expiring (Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD—Second Component)); (5) to provide relocation housing assistance in connection with the demolition of public housing; (6) to provide replacement housing assistance for single room occupancy (SRO) units that fail housing quality standards (HQS); (7) to assist families in public housing developments that are scheduled for demolition in connection with a HUD-approved HOPE VI revitalization or demolition grant, and (8) to assist families consistent with PIH Notice 2013-08⁴ and 2014-04, Funding for Tenant Protection Voucher for Certain At-Risk Households in Low Vacancy Areas.⁵

A special administrative fee of \$200 per occupied unit was provided to PHAs to compensate for any extraordinary HCV program administrative costs associated with the Multifamily Housing conversion action(s).

The Department awarded total new budget authority of \$115,915,271 for 14,503 housing choice vouchers to recipients under all of the above-mentioned categories. This budget authority includes \$620,266 of unobligated commitments made in FY 2013. These funds were reserved by September 30, 2013, but not contracted until FY 2014, and thus have been included with obligated commitments for FY 2014.

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 the names, addresses, and amounts of those awards as shown in Appendix A alphabetically by State then by PHA name.

Dated: April 21, 2015.

Lourdes Castro Ramirez,

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Indian Housing.

¹ http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=DOC_11380.pdf.

² <http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=PIHHCVFundImplNotice031814.pdf>.

³ <http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=pih2012-32rev1.pdf>.

⁴ <http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=pih2013-08.pdf>.

⁵ <http://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/documents/huddoc?id=14-04pihn.pdf>.