amended at 26 U.S.C. 1391 *et seq.*); 24 CFR parts 597 and 598.

Authority not redelegated:

a. Approve or amend strategic plans or other state and local commitments, including boundary changes.

b. Revoke a designation, including issuing a warning letter pursuant to 24 CFR parts 597 and 598.

13. Overall Departmental responsibility for compliance with the Uniform Relocation Assistance and Real Property Acquisition Policies Act of 1970, Public Law 91–646, 84 Stat. 1894 (1971) (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. 4601 *et seq.*); 49 CFR part 24.

Authority not redelegated:

a. Exercise the Federal Agency waiver authority provided under 49 CFR 24.7.

14. Technical Assistance and Capacity Building awards authorized under any program or matter delegated under Section A (e.g., section 107 of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1987, Public Law 100–242, 101 Stat. 1815 (1988)) and as provided for in annual and supplemental HUD appropriations acts (e.g., Consolidated Appropriations Act 2010, Public Law 111–117, 123 Stat. 3093 (2009)).

15. Certain Community Planning and Development programs that are no longer authorized for funding (or future funding is not anticipated) but administration of the programs must continue until all Department responsibilities are discharged and finally terminated. These programs, as of June 2011, include the following:

a. Any program superseded by, or inactive by reason of, Title I of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, Public Law 93–383, 88 Stat. 633 (codified as amended at 42 U.S.C. 5316).

b.Grants for urban Empowerment Zones (EZ) as provided for in annual HUD appropriations acts (e.g., Consolidated Appropriations Resolution, Fiscal Year 2003, Public Law 108–7, 117 Stat. 11 (2003)).

c. HOPE for Homeownership of Single-family Housing Program (HOPE 3), Title IV, Subtitle C of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, Public Law 101–625, 104 Stat. 4079 (1990) (codified at 42 U.S.C. 12891).

d. New Communities Program, Section 413 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1968, Public Law 90–448, 82 Stat. 476 (repealed 1983), Section 726 of the Housing and Urban Development Act of 1970, Public Law 91–609 (repealed 1983), 84 Stat. 1784, Section 474 of the Housing and Urban-Rural Recovery Act of 1983, Public Law 98–181, 97 Stat. 1237 (codified at 12 U.S.C. 1701g–5b), and any other functions, powers and duties which may affect the liquidation of the New Communities program.

e. Rural Housing and Economic Development grants specifically designated originally in the Fiscal Year 1998 HUD Appropriations Act, Public Law 105–65, 111 Stat. 1344 (1997), and subsequent annual HUD appropriations acts.

f. Renewal Communities (RC), as authorized under Title 26, Subtitle A, Chapter 1, Subchapter X of the Internal Revenue Code (codified as amended at 26 U.S.C. 1400E *et seq.*); 24 CFR part 599.

g. All programs consolidated in the Revolving Fund (Liquidating Programs) established pursuant to Title II of the Independent Offices Appropriations Act, Public Law 98–45, 97 Stat. 223 (1983) (codified as amended at 12 U.S.C. 1701g–5)) including all authority of the Assistant Secretary with respect to the functions, administration and management of the Revolving Fund (Liquidating Programs). Only the Assistant Secretary is the responsible official for allotments in the Revolving Fund (Liquidating Programs).

h. Youthbuild Program, Title IV, Subtitle D of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, Public Law 101–625, 104 Stat. 4079 (1990) (repealed 2006); 24 CFR part 585; and Youthbuild TA as authorized under Title IV of the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, as amended by the Housing and Community Development Act of 1992, Public Law 102–550, 106 Stat. 3723 (1992) (repealed 2006).

Section B. Limited Denial of Participation

Subject to the excepted authority in Section C, the Assistant Secretary redelegates to Directors and Deputy Directors of CPD in HUD Field Offices the authority to order a limited denial of participation sanction pursuant to HUD regulations at 2 CFR part 2424, with respect to the programs and matters listed in Section A; provided that the General Counsel, or such other official as may be designated by the General Counsel, must: (1) Concur in any proposed sanction under 2 CFR part 2424 before it is issued, and (2) concur in any proposed settlement of a sanction under 2 CFR part 2424.

Section C. General Authority Excepted

The authority redelegated under Section A does not include:

1. The authority to issue or waive regulations covered by section 7(q) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Act (42 U.S.C. 3535(q));

2. The authority to sue and be sued;

3. The authority to effect remedies for noncompliance requiring notice and an opportunity for an administrative hearing;

4. The authority for allotments in the Revolving Fund (Liquidating Programs) under paragraph g of Section A; or

5. Any authority not delegated to the Assistant Secretary for CPD under the Consolidated Delegation of Authority for Community Planning and Development.

The Assistant Secretary may revoke at any time this redelegation with respect to the programs and matters listed in Section A and orders of limited denial of participation issued in accordance with Section B.

Section D. Authority to Further Redelegate

The authority redelegated in Sections A and B may not be further redelegated.

Section E. Redelegations Superseded

This notice supersedes all prior redelegations of authority from the Assistant Secretary of CPD to Directors and Deputy Directors of Community Planning and Development in HUD Field Offices.

Section F. Actions Ratified

The Assistant Secretary hereby ratifies all actions previously taken by the Directors and Deputy Directors of CPD in HUD Field Offices, from April 26, 2006, through the effective date of this document by the Secretary, with respect to the programs and matters listed in Section A and orders of limited denial of participation issued in accordance with Section B.

Authority: Section 7(d), Department of Housing and Urban Development Act, 42 U.S.C. 3535(d).

Dated: October 4, 2011.

Mercedes M. Márquez,

Assistant Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–5486–N–23]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment: Additional On-Site Data Collection for the Housing Choice Voucher Program Administrative Fee Study

AGENCY: Office of the Policy Development and Research, 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. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: Comments Due Date: *December 19, 2011.*

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control number and should be sent to: Reports Liaison Officer, Office of Policy Development & Research, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 8226, Washington, DC 20410–5000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Marina L. Myhre, (202) 402–5705 for copies of the proposed forms 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: Housing Choice Voucher Program Administrative Fee Study.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: This request is for the clearance of on-site data collection from public housing agencies (PHAs). The purpose of the proposed data collection is to identify a sample of PHAs that are verified to be operating high-performing and efficient HCV programs. The proposed data collection will take place through site visits to up to 30 PHAs and will include interviews with PHA staff and reviews of client files and administrative data collected by the PHA. The results of the site visits will be used to identify PHAs to participate in a national study of administrative fees in the HCV program. The national study of administrative fees will include 50 PHAs, some of which have already been identified through site visits that took place at 60 PHAs between April and September 2011. The current request is to conduct similar data collection at a new group of PHAs to supplement the national study sample. The results of the national study—for which separate OMB clearance will be sought—will be used to estimate administrative fees and develop a new administrative fee allocation formula for the HCV program.

OMB Approval Number: Pending.

Agency form numbers: None.

Members of Affected Public: Up to 150 public housing agency staff persons (up to 5 staff members at up to 30 sites).

Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: Up to 5 PHA staff at each of the 30 study sites will be involved in the data collection (150 respondents total). Together, the PHA staff at each site will spend up to 12 hours preparing for the site visit and up to 16 hours being interviewed or otherwise assisting the research team during the site visit. The total burden for each PHA is 28 hours. The total estimated burden across all PHAs is 840 hours.

Status of the proposed information collection: Pending OMB approval.

Authority: Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: October 11, 2011.

Raphael W. Bostic,

Assistant Secretary for Policy, Development and Research.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

Docket No. FR–5486–N–24]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment: Pre-Purchase Homeownership Counseling Demonstration and Impact Evaluation

AGENCY: Office of the Policy Development and Research, 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. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: Comments Due Date: *December 19, 2011.*

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control number and should be sent to: Reports Liaison Officer, Office of Policy Development & Research, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 8226, Washington, DC 20410–5000.

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This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Pre-Purchase Homeownership Counseling Demonstration and Impact Evaluation.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: This request is for the clearance of data collection instruments designed to collect the information necessary to conduct a random assignment evaluation of pre-purchase homeownership counseling. The evaluation will produce valuable information about the impact of pre-purchase homeownership counseling on a range of outcomes for low- to moderate-income first-time FHA home buyers. Four thousand study