

*Total Estimated Burden Hours:* 21,346.  
*Status:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

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

Dated: February 8, 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-5117-N-19]

**Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB; Application for the Resident Opportunities and Self Sufficiency (ROSS) Program**

**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.

Application for the ROSS grant program: Resident Service Delivery Models-Family/Homeownership,

Resident Service Delivery Models-Elderly/Persons with Disabilities, and Family Self-Sufficiency for Public Housing.

**DATES:** *Comments Due Date:* March 16, 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 (2577-0229) 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:* Application for the Resident Opportunities and Self Sufficiency (ROSS) program.

*OMB Approval Number:* 2577-0229.

*Form Numbers:* HUD-52751, HUD-52752, HUD-52753, HUD-52754, HUD-52755, HUD-52756, HUD-52757, HUD-52763, HUD-52764, HUD-52767, SF-424, HUD-424-CB, HUD-424-CBW, HUD-2880, HUD-2990, HUD-2991, SF-LLL, HUD-27300, HUD-96010

*Description of the Need for the Information and Its Proposed Use:* Application for the ROSS grant program: Resident Service Delivery Models-Family/Homeownership, Resident Service Delivery Models-Elderly/Persons with Disabilities, and Family Self-Sufficiency for Public Housing.

*Frequency of Submission:* On occasion, Annually.

	Number of respondents	Annual responses	x	Hours per response	=	Burden hours
Reporting Burden .....	650	1		16.08		10,458

Total Estimated Burden Hours: 10,458.

*Status:* Revision of a currently approved collection.

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

Dated: February 9, 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-04]

**Financial Standards for Housing Agency-Owned Insurance Entities**

**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. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

**DATES:** *Comments Due Date:* April 16, 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 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:* Financial Standards for Housing Agency-Owned Insurance Entities.

*OMB Control Number:* 2577-0186.  
*Description of the Need for the Information and Proposed Use:*

Collection of this information is required by the HUD Appropriations Act for FY 1992, Public Law 102.139, 105 Stat. 736 (approved October 28, 1991). The Act provided that public housing agencies (PHAs) could purchase insurance coverage without regard to competitive selection procedures, if the insurance was purchased from a nonprofit insurance entity owned and controlled by PHAs approved by HUD, in accordance with standards established by regulation. A PHA-owned insurance entity selected by a PHA to provide coverage must submit a certification to HUD, stating that the entity management and underwriting staff have certain levels of experience. For initial approvals, the entity must also submit proper organizational documentation. The nonprofit entity must submit copies of audits every year, actuarial reviews every year, and management reviews every three years.

*Agency Form Number:* N/A.

*Members of Affected Public:* Public Housing Agencies.

*Estimation of the Total Number of Hours Needed to Prepare the Information Collection Including*

*Number of Respondents:* There are 22 audit respondents annually at eight hours per response. There are approximately 22 claims responses over a three-year period, for an average of

seven responses per year at two hours per response. Average response time per respondent is 6.55 hours.

*Status of the Proposed Information Collection:* Extension of currently approved collection.

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

Dated: February 7, 2007.

**Bessy Kong,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary, Policy, Program and Legislative Initiatives.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4837-D-53]

### Delegation of Procurement Authority and Designation of Senior Procurement Executive and Chief Acquisition Officer

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of delegation of authority.

**SUMMARY:** In this notice, the Secretary of HUD delegates all procurement authority to the Chief Procurement Officer. The Chief Procurement Officer will continue to serve as the Department's Senior Procurement Executive. The Secretary also designates the Deputy Secretary as the Department's Chief Acquisition Officer.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* February 1, 2005.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

Gloria Sochon, Assistant Chief Procurement Officer for Policy and Systems, Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 5276, Washington, DC 20410-3000, (202) 708-0294 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 800-877-8339 (this is not a toll-free number).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Secretary is issuing this delegation to eliminate duplicative delegation of procurement authority to the Assistant Secretary for Administration/Chief Information Officer and the Chief Procurement Officer (CPO). This notice also implements Section 1421 of the Services Acquisition Reform Act of 2003 by designating the Deputy Secretary as the Department's Chief Acquisition Officer. The CPO will report directly to the Deputy Secretary and will be responsible for all departmental procurement activities. The CPO is also

designated as the Senior Procurement Executive. This delegation changes only the reporting level of the CPO position pursuant to the Department's implementation of Section 1421. This delegation does not add, eliminate, or redistribute any functions or duties within the Office of the CPO.

Accordingly, the Secretary of Housing and Urban Development hereby revokes, designates, and delegates as follows:

### Section A. Authority Revoked

This notice revokes the Notice of Delegation of Authority published in the **Federal Register** on August 20, 2003 (68 FR 50157), which delegated all procurement authority to both the Assistant Secretary for Administration/Chief Information Officer and the CPO, delegated to the Assistant Secretary for Administration/Chief Information Officer responsibility for administrative oversight of all departmental procurement activities, and designated the CPO as the Senior Procurement Executive.

### Section B. Designation and Delegation of Authority

The Deputy Secretary is designated as the Department's Chief Acquisition Officer.

The CPO continues to serve as the Department's Senior Procurement Executive and is delegated the authority to exercise all duties, responsibilities, and powers of the Secretary with respect to departmental procurement activities. The authority delegated to the CPO includes the following duties, responsibilities, and powers:

1. Authority to enter into, administer, or terminate all procurement contracts, as well as interagency agreements entered into under the authority of the Economy Act, and make related determinations and findings. This includes the authority to order, pursuant to HUD's regulations at 24 CFR part 24, the sanctions of debarment, suspension, or limited denial of participation.

2. Responsibility for procurement program development, including:
  - a. Implementation of procurement initiatives, best practices, and reforms;
  - b. In coordination with the Office of Federal Procurement Policy, determination of specific areas where governmentwide performance standards should be established and applied, and development of governmentwide procurement policies, regulations, and standards;

- c. Establishment and maintenance of an evaluation program for all procurement activities within the Department;