

Total Estimated Burden Hours: 9,334.
Status: Reinstatement, without change, of previously approved collection.

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

Dated: July 14, 2003.

Wayne Eddins,

*Departmental Reports Management Officer,
Office of the Chief Information Officer.*

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4817-N-10]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment—Capital Fund Obligation Deadline Extension

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:* September 19, 2003.

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: Mildred M. Hamman, Reports Liaison Officer, Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 4249, Washington, DC 20410-5000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mildred M. Hamman, (202) 708-0614, extension 4128. (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: Capital Fund Obligation Deadline Extension.

OMB Control Number: 2577-.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) submit a request to HUD to extend the obligation deadline for their Capital Fund grant based on statutory criteria. The information contained in the request is used as a basis by HUD to evaluate reasons for delay in obligating the funds in timely manner and grant or reject the requested time extension. Section 9(j)(2), part 1, Capital and Operating Assistance, Pub. L. 105-276—Oct. 21, 1998 is the applicable statute.

Agency form numbers, if applicable: None.

Members of affected public: State or Local Government.

Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: Respondents are identified as public housing agencies (PHAs). 20 PHAs × one request per PHA annually, 2.0 hour average per request, 40 total annual burden hours for reporting; 20 requests × .25 hours per request for recordkeeping, 5 total annual burden hours for recordkeeping; total burden hours are 45.

Status of the proposed information collection: New.

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

Dated: July 15, 2003.

Michael Liu,

Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4837-D-19]

Revocation and Delegation of Authority Under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HUD.

ACTION: Notice of revocation and delegation of authority.

SUMMARY: The Secretary of HUD is delegating to the Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity (FHEO) all authority, with a noted exception, to act as the "responsible Department official" in all matters relating to the carrying out of the requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, as this authority is provided in HUD's regulations. In this notice the Secretary delegates to the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing the authority to approve tenant selection and assignment plans of local housing authorities. The Secretary revokes all prior delegations of this authority made by the Secretary.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 7, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Karen A. Newton, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Operations and Management, Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 5128, Washington, DC 20410-0001, telephone (202) 708-0768. (This is not a toll-free number.) Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: By previous delegation (36 FR 8821, May 13, 1971), the Secretary delegated to the Assistant Secretary for Equal Opportunity (now the Assistant Secretary for FHEO) the authority to act as the "responsible Department official" in all matters relating to the carrying out of the requirements of Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 (42 U.S.C. 2000d-1), as this authority was provided at the time in HUD's regulations in 24 CFR parts 1 and 2, except with respect to the approval of tenant selection and assignment plans of local housing authorities, as provided in 24 CFR 1.4(b)(2)(ii). By the same notice, the authority under 24 CFR 1.4(b)(2)(ii) was delegated to the Assistant Secretary for Housing Management (now the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing).

The Secretary revokes all prior delegations of this authority, retains the

authority under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the corresponding regulations in 24 CFR part 1, and delegates the authority to act as the "responsible Department official" to the Assistant Secretary for FHEO.

Accordingly, the Secretary delegates authority as follows:

Section A. Authority Delegated

The Secretary of HUD delegates to the Assistant Secretary for FHEO all authority to act as the "responsible Department official" as provided in 24 CFR part 1, "Nondiscrimination in Federally Assisted Programs of the Department of Housing and Urban Development—tenant selection and assignment plans of local housing authorities, as provided in 24 CFR 1.4(b)(2)(ii). The Secretary of HUD delegates to the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing the authority to approve tenant selection and assignment plans of local housing authorities, as provided in 24 CFR 1.4(b)(2)(ii).

Section B. Authority Revoked

All prior delegations of authority made by the Secretary under Title VI of the Civil Rights Act of 1964, including the delegation of authority published on May 13, 1971 (36 FR 8821), are revoked.

Section C. Authority To Redelegate

The Assistant Secretary for FHEO may redelegate the authority to act as the "responsible Department official" under 24 CFR part 1 to the General Deputy Assistant Secretary for FHEO, to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Programs, to the Director of Enforcement, and to the FHEO Hub Directors. The Assistant Secretary for FHEO may also authorize successive redelegations. The Assistant Secretary for FHEO may not redelegate the authority to issue or waive regulations.

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

Dated: July 7, 2003.

Mel Martinez,
Secretary.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4837-D-23]

Delegation of Authority Under Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HUD.

ACTION: Notice of delegation of authority.

SUMMARY: Through this notice, the Secretary of HUD is delegating to the Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity (FHEO) all authority to act as the "responsible civil rights official" and the "reviewing civil rights official" with respect to section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. The Secretary revokes all previous delegations of this authority made by the Secretary.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 9, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Milton Turner, Director, Compliance and Disability Rights Division, Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, Room 5240, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410-0001, telephone: (202) 708-2333. (This is not a toll-free number.) Hearing- and speech-impaired individuals may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: In a notice published June 2, 1988 (53 FR 20253), the Secretary delegated to the Assistant Secretary for FHEO the authority to act as the "responsible civil rights official" with respect to section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (29 U.S.C. 794) and the implementing regulations in 24 CFR part 8 (the section 504 authority). In the June 2, 1988, notice, the Secretary also delegated to the Assistant Secretary for FHEO the authority to redelegate the section 504 authority "to the Regional Directors of FHEO and to the Director of the Office of Program Compliance, except for the authority to issue a preliminary finding of non-compliance under 24 CFR 8.56(g)(1)." The Secretary delegated to the Under Secretary (now referred to as the Deputy Secretary) the authority to act as "reviewing civil rights official." By notice published December 18, 1989 (54 FR 51804), the Secretary revoked the June 2, 1988, delegation to the Under Secretary and delegated to the Assistant Secretary for FHEO the authority to act as "reviewing civil rights official" with no further authority to redelegate this authority. A notice published March 22, 1991 (56 FR 12302), stated that the remaining delegation of authority to the Assistant Secretary for FHEO had been revoked on June 2, 1988, and therefore, the March 22, 1991, notice delegated to the Assistant Secretary for FHEO the authority to act as "responsible civil rights official" and to redelegate this authority.

Through this notice, the Secretary revokes all prior delegations of section 504 authority, and delegates this authority to the Assistant Secretary for FHEO.

Accordingly, the Secretary delegates authority as follows:

Section A. Authority Delegated

The Secretary of HUD delegates to the Assistant Secretary for FHEO all authority to act as the "responsible civil rights official" and the "reviewing civil rights official" as provided in HUD's regulations in 24 CFR part 8, "Nondiscrimination Based on Handicap in Federally-Assisted Programs and Activities of the Department of Housing and Urban Development."

Section B. Authority Revoked

All prior delegations of section 504 authority made by the Secretary are revoked. These include, but are not limited to, the delegations published on December 18, 1989 (54 FR 51804), and March 22, 1991 (56 FR 12302).

Section C. Authority To Redelegate

The Assistant Secretary for FHEO may not redelegate the authority to issue or to waive regulations. The Assistant Secretary for FHEO may redelegate the authority to act as "responsible civil rights official" under 24 CFR part 8 to the General Deputy Assistant Secretary for FHEO, to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Programs, to the Director of the Office of Enforcement, and to the FHEO Hub Directors, and may authorize successive redelegations.

The Assistant Secretary for FHEO may redelegate the authority to act as "reviewing civil rights official" to the General Deputy Assistant Secretary for FHEO, to the Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Programs, and to the Director of the Office of Enforcement, however, the Director of the Office of Enforcement is only authorized to act as "reviewing civil rights official" for FHEO Hub Directors.

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

Dated: July 9, 2003.

Mel Martinez,
Secretary.

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