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grantee and the rental property owner or co-op; and

(3) All requirements noted in 2 CFR part 200 as adopted by USDA through 2 CFR part 400 during the effective period of the grant agreement.

(b) The grantee is required to make available to Rural Development any such information as requested by Rural Development concerning the above. The grantee shall submit to the Rural Development servicing office an annual report every year while the ownership agreement is in effect. This report shall be submitted within 15 days after the anniversary date or end of the grant agreement. At a minimum, the report will consist of a statement that the grantee is in compliance with this subpart.

(c) All files pertaining to such rental property owner or co-op shall be kept separate and shall be maintained for a period of 3 years after the termination date of the ownership agreement.

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§ 1944.690 Exception authority.

The Under Secretary for Rural Development (or designee) may, in individual cases, make an exception to any requirements of this subpart not required by the authorizing statute if the Administrator finds that application of such requirement would adversely affect the interest of the Government, or adversely affect the accomplishment of the purposes of the HPG program, or result in undue hardship by applying the requirement. The Administrator or the Assistant Administrator for Housing may exercise this exception authority at the request of the State Director. The request must be supported by information demonstrating the adverse impact, citing the particular requirement involved, recommending proper alternative course(s) of action, and outlining how the adverse impact could be mitigated. Exception to any requirement may also be initiated by the Assistant Administrator for Housing.

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§ 1944.700 OMB control number.

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**EXHIBIT A TO SUBPART N OF PART 1944—
HOUSING PRESERVATION GRANT
AGREEMENT**

This Agreement dated _____ is between _____ (name), _____ (address), (grantee), organized and operating under _____ (authorizing State statute), and the United States of America acting through the Farmers Home Administration (FmHA) or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354. FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 agrees to grant a sum not to exceed \$ _____ subject to the terms and conditions of this Agreement; provided, however, that the grant funds actually advanced and not needed for grant purposes shall be returned immediately to FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354. The Housing Preservation Grant (HPG) Statement of Activities approved by FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354, is attached, and shall commence within 10 days of the date of execution of this agreement by FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 and be completed by _____ (date). FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 may terminate the grant in whole, or in part, at any time before the date of completion, whenever it is determined that the grantee has failed to comply with the conditions of this Grant Agreement or FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 regulation related hereto. The grantee may appeal adverse decisions in accordance with the FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 Appeal Procedures contained in subpart B of part 1900 of this chapter.

In consideration of said grant by FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 to the Grantee, to be made pursuant to section 533 of the Housing Act of 1949, Housing Preservation Grant (HPG) program, the grantee will provide such a program in accordance with the terms of this Agreement and applicable FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 regulations.

PART A—DEFINITIONS

1. *Beginning date* means the date this agreement is executed by FmHA or its successor agency under Public Law 103-354 and costs can be incurred.

2. *Ending date* means the date when all work under this agreement is scheduled to be completed. It is also the latest date grant