

*NIH Guidelines.* In lieu of the individual program listing, NIH invites readers to direct questions to the information address above about whether individual programs listed in the *Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance* are affected.

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

### Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner

[Docket No. FR-4032-N-02]

#### Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for 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: September 6, 1996.

**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: Oliver Walker, Reports Liaison Officer, Office of Housing, Department of Housing & Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, Room 9116, Washington, DC 20410.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Oliver Walker, Room 9116, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20410, (202) 708-1694, or, TTY for hearing and speech impaired, (202) 708-4594 (these are not toll-free numbers) for copies of the proposed collection of information.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended).

The 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:* Single Family Mortgage Insurance—Loss Mitigation Procedures

*OMB Control Number, if applicable:* [N/A—none yet assigned]

*Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* New section 24 CFR 203.605, "Loss Mitigation Evaluation," requires mortgagees to perform an evaluation of each defaulting mortgagor's circumstances to determine which if any of the available loss mitigation techniques are appropriate in order to assist the mortgagor to:

- (a) Reinstate the mortgage and retain ownership of the affected property, or
- (b) Avoid foreclosure, and mitigate the losses to the Department by encouraging the mortgagor to sell the property or, if the mortgagor has no equity in the property, to pursue a buyer under the pre-foreclosure ("short") sale procedure or to voluntarily convey the deed in lieu of what would otherwise be the imminent foreclosure of the mortgage.

This evaluation must be performed no later than when three monthly mortgage installments are due and unpaid, and must be performed monthly thereafter while the account is in default and such foreclosure avoidance and loss mitigation options remain under consideration.

This information is needed to ascertain whether adequate and prudent loan servicing was performed by the mortgagee. If a mortgagee submits a claim for FHA insurance benefits, this information will be subject to post-claim review under the Department's lender monitoring activities.

*Agency form numbers, if applicable:* Documentation simply added to lender's servicing files on HUD-27011 insurance claim form.

*Members of affected public:*

Mortgagees, loan servicing entities.

*Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection, including:*

(a) *Number of respondents:* Each FHA approved lender will be required to respond as part of standard procedures for servicing defaulted loans.

(b) *Frequency of response:* 625,000 (based on 250,000 90-day defaults; 50% self-cure; 125,000 90+ day defaults averaging 3-additional months).

(c) *Hours of response:* 625,000 @ 0.25 hrs = 156,250 hours.

*Status of the proposed information collection:* Pending approval.

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

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Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner.

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#### Announcement of Funding Awards for Supportive Housing for the Elderly and Persons With Disabilities, FY 1995

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner, 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 award decisions made by the Department as a result of competitions for funding under the following two notices of funding availability: Supportive Housing for the Elderly and Supportive Housing for Persons with Disabilities. This announcement contains the names and addresses of the awardees and the amount of the award.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jane Luton, Division Director, New Product Division, Office of Multifamily Housing Division, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room 6142, 451 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20410-0500; telephone (202) 708-2866. (This is not a toll-free number.) A telecommunications device for hearing- and speech-impaired individuals (TTY) is available at 1-800-877-8339 (Federal Information Relay Service).