

0216, (this is not a toll-free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department is submitting 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 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: Request for Proposals—Contact Administrators for Project-Based Section 8 Housing Assistance Contracts.

OMB Control Number, if applicable: 2502-0528.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: This information collection is essential to the implementation of improved administration of over 20,000 Section 8 contracts. These contracts represent an investment of over \$6 billion to support the physical and financial well-being of affordable housing on a nationwide basis.

Agency Form Numbers, if applicable: None.

Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: The estimated number of respondents is 250, the total annual responses are 370, and the total annual hours of response are estimated at 5600.

Status of the proposed information collection: New collection.

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

Dated: February 20, 1999.

William C. Appgar,

Assistant Secretary for Housing-Federal Housing Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-443-N-02]

Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB; Emergency Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for emergency review and approval, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal. **DATES:** Comments Due Date: March 12, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments must be received within seven (7) days from the date of this Notice. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and should be sent to: Joseph F. Lackey, Jr., HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 708-0050. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Mr. Eddins.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This Notice informs the public that the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has submitted to OMB, for emergency processing, an information collection package with respect to energy consumption and excessive energy costs in public housing. The information request will meet a request from U.S. Senate Commission on Appropriations Report 105-216.

Reports are required to Congress by April 19 and June 1, 1999. Emergency processing is required to provide sufficient time to submit the survey and to collect and process the incoming

data. Emergency processing is also required to provide sufficient time to complete the reports and to have adequate time for review.

This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affecting agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (2) Enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (3) 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: Energy Conservation Reporting Requirement.

OMB Control Number, if applicable: *Description of the need for the information and proposed use:* The data to be collected will be used to respond to a congressional request and will be used to complete reports on energy consumption and excessive energy costs in public housing.

Agency form numbers, if applicable: *Members of affected public:* Public Housing Authorities.

Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: It will take approximately 3 hours per housing development and a total of approximately 39,729 labor hours for all public housing authorities to respond.

Status of the proposed information collection: Awaiting OMB approval.

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

Dated: February 26, 1999.

David S. Cristy,

Director, IRM Policy and Management Division.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4445-N-06]

Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below