DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[RELEVANT TEXT]

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: September 27, 2010.

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: Leroy McKinney, Jr., Departmental Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 4178, Washington, DC 20410–5000; telephone 202.402.5564, (this is not a toll-free number) or email Mr. McKinney at Leroy.McKinneyJr@hud.gov. 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. (Other than the HUD USER information line and TTY numbers, telephone numbers are not toll-free.)

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dacia Rogers, Office of Policy, Programs and Legislative Initiatives, PIH, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., 4116, Washington, DC 20410; telephone 202–402–3374, (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: The estimated number of respondents is 29 annually with one response per respondent. The average number for each response is 6.55 hours, for a total reporting burden of 190 hours.

Status of the proposed information collection: Extension of currently approved collection.


Dated: July 20, 2010.

Merrie Nichols-Dixon,
Acting Deputy Assistant Secretary for Policy, Programs, and Legislative Initiatives.

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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: Multifamily Mortgagee’s Application for Partial Settlement.

OMB Control Number, if applicable: 2502–0427.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use:

1. When a FHA-insured Multifamily mortgage goes into default, the Mortgagee may file a claim with the Secretary to receive the insurance benefits. Statute 12 USC 1713(g)–(r) provides that, * * * “the Mortgagee shall be entitled to receive the benefits of the insurance as hereinafter provided, upon assignment, transfer, and delivery to the Secretary, within a period and in accordance with rules and regulations to be prescribed by the Secretary of all rights and interest arising under the mortgage so in default * * * at its option and in accordance with regulation, and in a period to be determined by the Secretary, proceed to foreclosure on and obtain possession of or otherwise acquired such property after default and receive the benefits of the insurance as herein provided upon prompt conveyance to the Secretary the title of the property * * * * * * The Mortgagee may receive a portion of the benefits immediately after the assignment or conveyance.

2. The respondents are only those mortgagees that elect to assign property to HUD. There are approximately 115 such mortgagees annually. When the mortgagee notifies HUD of an election to assign a property to HUD, HUD sends the mortgagee an e-mail with instructions for submitting its claim (see Attachment 1). This request addresses only the Application for Partial Settlement. Within 24 to 48 hours after an assignment or conveyance, the Secretary may pay the Mortgagee a partial amount of insurance benefits. This payment is made prior to the examination of the Mortgagee’s claim. The information collected on the subject form, HUD–2537 (Mortgagee’s Application for Partial Settlement–Multifamily Mortgage), provides the required information to determine the partial amount. This amount is computed in accordance with the foregoing statutory provisions and regulations promulgated there under in 24 CFR 207(B), Contract Rights and Obligations.

Agency form numbers, if applicable: HUD–2537.

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 number of annual burden hours is 29. The number of respondents is 115 per year, the number of responses is 115, the frequency of response is on occasion, and the burden hour per response is .25.

Status of the proposed information collection: This is a request for renewal of a currently approved collection.


Dated: July 22, 2010.
Ronald Y. Spraker,
Associate General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Housing.

DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
[Docket No. FR–5376–N–71]

Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB
Emergency Comment Request; Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment on Assessment of Consumer Protection Gaps for Home Equity Conversion Mortgage Borrowers

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

ACTION: Notice of proposed information collection.

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: August 3, 2010.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should be received within seven (7) days from the date of this Notice. Comments should refer to the proposal by name/or OMB approval number and should be sent to: HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; e-mail: OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov; fax: (202) 395–5806.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Leroy McKinney, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410; e-mail: Leroy.MkinneyJR@hud.gov; telephone (202) 402–5564. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Mr. McKinney.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This Notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information: (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:


OMB Control Number: 2502–New.

Agency Form Numbers: None.

Description of Information Collection: This is a new information collection. A twenty-minute phone survey will be conducted among 600 Home Equity Conversion Mortgage (HECM) borrowers. It will help FHA Assess Consumer Protection Gaps for HECM borrowers.

Members of Affected Public: Lenders, Borrowers, Counselors and Not-for-profit consumer advocacy organizations.

Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of responses, and hours of responses: An estimation of the total number of hours needed to conduct this one-time, 20 minute survey among 600 HECM borrowers is 200 hours.

Total Estimated Burden Hours: 200.

Status of the proposed information collection: New collection


Dated: July 22, 2010.

Leroy McKinney Jr.,
Departmental Reports Management Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.
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