

cities to work on strategic projects and help build city capacity. The fellowship program is seeking to evaluate its program through surveys of program stakeholders.

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 burden hours to complete a survey is 1 hour. The number of respondents is estimated to be 32 respondents. The total number of burden hours is 32 hours.

B. Solicitation of Public Comment

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected parties concerning the collection of information described in Section A on the following:

- (1) 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) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;
- (3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and

(4) Ways to 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.

HUD encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.

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

Dated: July 16, 2013.

Colette Pollard,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5694-N-02]

Mortgage and Loan Insurance Programs Under the National Housing Act—Debenture Interest Rates

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

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice announces changes in the interest rates to be paid on debentures issued with respect to a loan or mortgage insured by the Federal Housing Administration under the provisions of the National Housing Act (the Act). The interest rate for debentures issued under section 221(g)(4) of the Act during the 6-month period beginning July 1, 2013, is 1¾ percent. The interest rate for debentures issued under any other provision of the Act is the rate in effect on the date that the commitment to insure the loan or mortgage was issued, or the date that the loan or mortgage was endorsed (or initially endorsed if there are two or more endorsements) for insurance, whichever rate is higher. The interest rate for debentures issued under these other provisions with respect to a loan or mortgage committed or endorsed during the 6-month period beginning July 1, 2013, is 2⅞ percent. However, as a result of an amendment to section 224 of the Act, if an insurance claim relating to a mortgage insured under sections 203 or 234 of the Act and endorsed for insurance after January 23, 2004, is paid in cash, the debenture interest rate for purposes of calculating a claim shall be the monthly average yield, for the month in which the default on the mortgage occurred, on United States Treasury Securities adjusted to a constant maturity of 10 years.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Yong Sun, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street SW., Room 5148, Washington, DC 20410-8000; telephone (202) 402-4778 (this is not a toll-free number). Individuals with speech or hearing impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free

Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 224 of the National Housing Act (12 U.S.C. 1715o) provides that debentures issued under the Act with respect to an insured loan or mortgage (except for debentures issued pursuant to section 221(g)(4) of the Act) will bear interest at the rate in effect on the date the commitment to insure the loan or mortgage was issued, or the date the loan or mortgage was endorsed (or initially endorsed if there are two or more endorsements) for insurance, whichever rate is higher. This provision is implemented in HUD's regulations at 24 CFR 203.405, 203.479, 207.259(e)(6), and 220.830. These regulatory provisions state that the applicable rates of interest will be published twice each year as a notice in the **Federal Register**.

Section 224 further provides that the interest rate on these debentures will be set from time to time by the Secretary of HUD, with the approval of the Secretary of the Treasury, in an amount not in excess of the annual interest rate determined by the Secretary of the Treasury pursuant to a statutory formula based on the average yield of all outstanding marketable Treasury obligations of maturities of 15 or more years.

The Secretary of the Treasury (1) has determined, in accordance with the provisions of section 224, that the statutory maximum interest rate for the period beginning July 1, 2013, is 2⅞ percent; and (2) has approved the establishment of the debenture interest rate by the Secretary of HUD at 2⅞ percent for the 6-month period beginning July 1, 2013. This interest rate will be the rate borne by debentures issued with respect to any insured loan or mortgage (except for debentures issued pursuant to section 221(g)(4)) with insurance commitment or endorsement date (as applicable) within the latter 6 months of 2013.

For convenience of reference, HUD is publishing the following chart of debenture interest rates applicable to mortgages committed or endorsed since January 1, 1980:

Effective interest rate	On or after	Prior to
9½	Jan. 1, 1980	July 1, 1980
9⅞	July 1, 1980	Jan. 1, 1981
11¼	Jan. 1, 1981	July 1, 1981
12⅞	July 1, 1981	Jan. 1, 1982
12¾	Jan. 1, 1982	Jan. 1, 1983
10¼	Jan. 1, 1983	July 1, 1983
10⅞	July 1, 1983	Jan. 1, 1984
11½	Jan. 1, 1984	July 1, 1984
13⅞	July 1, 1984	Jan. 1, 1985

Effective interest rate	On or after	Prior to
11 ⁵ / ₈	Jan. 1, 1985	July 1, 1985
11 ¹ / ₈	July 1, 1985	Jan. 1, 1986
10 ¹ / ₄	Jan. 1, 1986	July 1, 1986
8 ¹ / ₄	July 1, 1986	Jan. 1, 1987
8	Jan. 1, 1987	July 1, 1987
9	July 1, 1987	Jan. 1, 1988
9 ¹ / ₈	Jan. 1, 1988	July 1, 1988
9 ³ / ₈	July 1, 1988	Jan. 1, 1989
9 ¹ / ₄	Jan. 1, 1989	July 1, 1989
9	July 1, 1989	Jan. 1, 1990
8 ¹ / ₈	Jan. 1, 1990	July 1, 1990
9	July 1, 1990	Jan. 1, 1991
8 ³ / ₄	Jan. 1, 1991	July 1, 1991
8 ¹ / ₂	July 1, 1991	Jan. 1, 1992
8	Jan. 1, 1992	July 1, 1992
8	July 1, 1992	Jan. 1, 1993
7 ³ / ₄	Jan. 1, 1993	July 1, 1993
7	July 1, 1993	Jan. 1, 1994
6 ⁵ / ₈	Jan. 1, 1994	July 1, 1994
7 ³ / ₄	July 1, 1994	Jan. 1, 1995
8 ³ / ₈	Jan. 1, 1995	July 1, 1995
7 ¹ / ₄	July 1, 1995	Jan. 1, 1996
6 ¹ / ₂	Jan. 1, 1996	July 1, 1996
7 ¹ / ₄	July 1, 1996	Jan. 1, 1997
6 ³ / ₄	Jan. 1, 1997	July 1, 1997
7 ¹ / ₈	July 1, 1997	Jan. 1, 1998
6 ³ / ₈	Jan. 1, 1998	July 1, 1998
6 ¹ / ₈	July 1, 1998	Jan. 1, 1999
5 ¹ / ₂	Jan. 1, 1999	July 1, 1999
6 ¹ / ₈	July 1, 1999	Jan. 1, 2000
6 ¹ / ₂	Jan. 1, 2000	July 1, 2000
6 ¹ / ₂	July 1, 2000	Jan. 1, 2001
6	Jan. 1, 2001	July 1, 2001
5 ⁷ / ₈	July 1, 2001	Jan. 1, 2002
5 ¹ / ₄	Jan. 1, 2002	July 1, 2002
5 ³ / ₄	July 1, 2002	Jan. 1, 2003
5	Jan. 1, 2003	July 1, 2003
4 ¹ / ₂	July 1, 2003	Jan. 1, 2004
5 ¹ / ₈	Jan. 1, 2004	July 1, 2004
5 ¹ / ₂	July 1, 2004	Jan. 1, 2005
4 ⁷ / ₈	Jan. 1, 2005	July 1, 2005
4 ¹ / ₂	July 1, 2005	Jan. 1, 2006
4 ⁷ / ₈	Jan. 1, 2006	July 1, 2006
5 ³ / ₈	July 1, 2006	Jan. 1, 2007
4 ³ / ₄	Jan. 1, 2007	July 1, 2007
5	July 1, 2007	Jan. 1, 2008
4 ¹ / ₂	Jan. 1, 2008	July 1, 2008
4 ⁵ / ₈	July 1, 2008	Jan. 1, 2009
4 ¹ / ₈	Jan. 1, 2009	July 1, 2009
4 ¹ / ₈	July 1, 2009	Jan. 1, 2010
4 ¹ / ₄	Jan. 1, 2010	July 1, 2010
4 ¹ / ₈	July 1, 2010	Jan. 1, 2011
3 ⁷ / ₈	Jan. 1, 2011	July 1, 2011
4 ¹ / ₈	July 1, 2011	Jan. 1, 2012
2 ⁷ / ₈	Jan. 1, 2012	July 1, 2012
2 ³ / ₄	July 1, 2012	Jan. 1, 2013
2 ¹ / ₂	Jan. 1, 2013	July 1, 2013
2 ⁷ / ₈	July 1, 2013	Jan. 1, 2014

Section 215 of Division G, Title II of Pub. L. 108–199, enacted January 23, 2004 (HUD’s 2004 Appropriations Act) amended section 224 of the Act, to change the debenture interest rate for purposes of calculating certain insurance claim payments made in cash. Therefore, for all claims paid in cash on mortgages insured under section 203 or 234 of the National Housing Act and endorsed for insurance after January 23,

2004, the debenture interest rate will be the monthly average yield, for the month in which the default on the mortgage occurred, on United States Treasury Securities adjusted to a constant maturity of 10 years, as found in Federal Reserve Statistical Release H–15. The Federal Housing Administration has codified this provision in HUD regulations at 24 CFR 203.405(b) and 24 CFR 203.479(b).

Section 221(g)(4) of the Act provides that debentures issued pursuant to that paragraph (with respect to the assignment of an insured mortgage to the Secretary) will bear interest at the “going Federal rate” in effect at the time the debentures are issued. The term “going Federal rate” is defined to mean the interest rate that the Secretary of the Treasury determines, pursuant to a statutory formula based on the average

yield on all outstanding marketable Treasury obligations of 8- to 12-year maturities, for the 6-month periods of January through June and July through December of each year. Section 221(g)(4) is implemented in the HUD regulations at 24 CFR 221.255 and 24 CFR 221.790.

The Secretary of the Treasury has determined that the interest rate to be borne by debentures issued pursuant to section 221(g)(4) during the 6-month period beginning July 1, 2013, is 1³/₄ percent.

The subject matter of this notice falls within the categorical exemption from HUD's environmental clearance procedures set forth in 24 CFR 50.19(c)(6). For that reason, no environmental finding has been prepared for this notice.

Authority: Sections 211, 221, 224, National Housing Act, 12 U.S.C. 1715b, 1715l, 1715o; Section 7(d), Department of HUD Act, 42 U.S.C. 3535(d).

Dated: July 18, 2013.

Carol J. Galante,

Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. 5726-N-02]

Notice of HUD-Held Multifamily & Healthcare Loan Sale, (MHLS 2013-2)

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

ACTION: Notice of sale of mortgage loans.

SUMMARY: This notice announces HUD's intention to sell certain unsubsidized multifamily and healthcare mortgage loans, without Federal Housing Administration (FHA) insurance, in a competitive auction (MHLS 2013-2) on July 31, 2013. This notice also describes generally the bidding process for the sale and certain persons who are ineligible to bid.

DATES: A Bidder's Information Package (BIP) will be made available on July 1, 2013. Bids for the loans must be submitted on the bid date of July 31, 2013. HUD anticipates that awards will be made on or before August 5th, 2013. Closings are expected to take place between August 13, 2013 and August 20, 2013.

ADDRESSES: To become a qualified bidder and receive the BIP, prospective bidders must complete, execute, and submit a Confidentiality Agreement and a Qualification Statement acceptable to

HUD. Both documents will be available on the HUD Web site at www.hud.gov/fhaloansales. Please mail and fax executed documents to JS Watkins Realty Partners, LLC:

J.S. Watkins Realty Partners, LLC, c/o The Debt Exchange, 133 Federal Street, 10th Floor, Boston, MA 02111, Attention: MHLS 2013-2 Sale Coordinator, Fax: 1-978-967-8607.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John Lucey, Deputy Director, Asset Sales Office, Room 3136, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street SW., Washington, DC 20410-8000; telephone 202-708-2625, extension 3927. Hearing- or speech-impaired individuals may call 202-708-4594 (TTY). These are not toll-free numbers.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: HUD announces its intention to sell, in MHLS 2013-2, certain unsubsidized multifamily and healthcare mortgage loans (Mortgage Loans) secured by four (4) healthcare properties located in Texas and Florida and six (6) multifamily properties located Texas, Michigan, Florida, North Carolina and Tennessee. The Mortgage Loans are non-performing mortgage loans. The listing of the Mortgage Loans is included in the BIP. The Mortgage Loans will be sold without FHA insurance and with HUD servicing released. HUD will offer qualified bidders an opportunity to bid competitively on the Mortgage Loans.

Qualified bidders may submit bids on all Mortgage Loans or may bid on individual loans. A mortgagor of one or more Mortgage Loans who is a qualified bidder may submit an individual bid on its own Mortgage Loan. Interested mortgagors should review the Qualification Statement to determine whether they may be eligible to qualify to submit bids on one or more pools of Mortgage Loans or on individual loans in MHLS 2013-2.

The Bidding Process

The BIP describes in detail the procedure for bidding MHLS 2013-2. The BIP also includes a standardized non-negotiable loan sale agreement (Loan Sale Agreement).

As part of its bid, each bidder must submit a minimum deposit of the greater of 10% of the total bid or \$100,000. HUD will evaluate the bids submitted and determine the successful bid(s) in its sole and absolute discretion. If a bidder is successful, the bidder's deposit will be non-refundable and will be applied toward the purchase price, with any amount beyond the purchase price being returned to the bidder. Deposits will be returned to

unsuccessful bidders. Closings are expected to take place between August 13, 2013 and August 20, 2013.

These are the essential terms of sale. The Loan Sale Agreement, which is included in the BIP, contains additional terms and details. To ensure a competitive bidding process, the terms of the bidding process and the Loan Sale Agreement are not subject to negotiation.

Due Diligence Review

The BIP describes the due diligence process for reviewing loan files in MHLS 2013-2. Qualified bidders will be able to access loan information remotely via a high-speed Internet connection. Further information on performing due diligence review of the Mortgage Loans is provided in the BIP.

Mortgage Loan Sale Policy

HUD reserves the right to add Mortgage Loans to or delete Mortgage Loans from MHLS 2013-2 at any time prior to the Award Date. HUD also reserves the right to reject any and all bids, in whole or in part, without prejudice to HUD's right to include any Mortgage Loans in a later sale. Mortgage Loans will not be withdrawn after the Award Date except as is specifically provided in the Loan Sale Agreement.

This is a sale of unsubsidized mortgage loans, pursuant to Section 204(a) of the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act of 1997, (12 U.S.C. 1715z-11a(a)).

Mortgage Loan Sale Procedure; New Offering Format

HUD selected a competitive sale as the method to sell the Mortgage Loans. This method of sale optimizes HUD's return on the sale of these Mortgage Loans, affords the greatest opportunity for all qualified bidders to bid on the Mortgage Loans, and provides the quickest and most efficient vehicle for HUD to dispose of the Mortgage Loans. Depending on the bids received from the competitive closed auction of the healthcare notes, HUD reserves the option to conduct a second tier of bidding utilizing an open English auction for these notes. Specific details of the auction process are provided in the BIP.

Bidder Eligibility

In order to bid in the sale, a prospective bidder must complete, execute and submit both a Confidentiality Agreement and a Qualification Statement acceptable to HUD. The following individuals and