DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–5800–N–04]

Notice of HUD’s Funding Availability for Fiscal Year 2014 Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Grant Program and Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration Grant Program

AGENCY: Office of Lead Hazard and Healthy Homes, Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

ACTION: Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA).

SUMMARY: This notice announces that HUD has posted on http://www.Grants.gov and http://www.HUD.gov its Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control (LBPHC) Grant Program and Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration (LHRD) Grant Program NOFA. The application deadline date is June 27, 2014. Applications must be received by Grants.gov no later than 11:59:59 p.m. Eastern Time on the application deadline date.

The Department is making approximately $104,000,000 million available under the Lead-Based Paint Hazard Control Grant Program and Lead Hazard Reduction Demonstration Grant Program to assist states, cities, counties/parishes, Native American Tribes and other units of local government in undertaking comprehensive programs to identify and control lead-based paint hazards in eligible privately owned rental or owner-occupied housing.

For programmatic questions, you may contact: Michelle Miller, Director, Programs Division, Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control: Department of Housing and Urban Development; 451 Seventh Street SW., Room 8236, Washington, DC 20410–3000; telephone 202–402–5769 (this is not a toll-free number); facsimile 202–755–1000; or email Nadine.L. Heath@hud.gov.
a technical correction to this NOFA if necessary. Any such technical correction will provide detailed instructions for Applicants regarding the resubmission of applications to address the revised NOFA requirements.


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[Docket No. FR–5789–N–01]

Notice of Regulatory Waiver Requests Granted for the First Quarter of Calendar Year 2014

AGENCY: Office of the General Counsel, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: Section 106 of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989 (the HUD Reform Act) requires HUD to publish quarterly notices of all regulatory waivers that HUD has approved. Each notice covers the quarter period since the previous Federal Register notice. The purpose of this notice is to comply with the requirements of section 106 of the HUD Reform Act. This notice contains a list of regulatory waivers granted by HUD during the period beginning on January 1, 2014, and ending on March 31, 2014.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For general information about this notice, contact Camille E. Acevedo, Associate General Counsel for Legislation and Regulations, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street SW., Room 10282, Washington, DC 20410–0500, telephone 202–708–1793 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing- or speech-impaired access may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at 800–877–8339.

For information concerning a particular waiver that was granted and for which public notice is provided in this document, contact the person whose name and address follow the description of the waiver granted in the accompanying list of waivers that have been granted in the first quarter of calendar year 2014.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 106 of the HUD Reform Act added a new section 7(q) to the Department of Housing and Urban Development Act (42 U.S.C. 3535(q)), which provides that:
1. Any waiver of a regulation must be in writing and must specify the grounds for approving the waiver;
2. Authority to approve a waiver of a regulation may be delegated by the Secretary only to an individual of Assistant Secretary or equivalent rank, and the person to whom authority to waive is delegated must also have authority to issue the particular regulation to be waived;
3. Not less than quarterly, the Secretary must notify the public of all waivers of regulations that HUD has approved, by publishing a notice in the Federal Register. These notices (each covering the period since the most recent previous notification) shall:
a. Identify the project, activity, or undertaking involved;
b. Describe the nature of the provision waived and the designation of the provision;
c. Indicate the name and title of the person who granted the waiver request;
d. Describe briefly the grounds for approval of the request; and
e. State how additional information about a particular waiver may be obtained.

Section 106 of the HUD Reform Act also contains requirements applicable to waivers of HUD handbook provisions that are not relevant to the purpose of this notice.

This notice follows procedures provided in HUD’s Statement of Policy on Waiver of Regulations and Directives issued on April 22, 1991 (56 FR 16337). In accordance with those procedures and with the requirements of section 106 of the HUD Reform Act, waivers of regulations are granted by the Assistant Secretary with jurisdiction over the regulations for which a waiver was requested. In those cases in which a General Deputy Assistant Secretary granted the waiver, the General Deputy Assistant Secretary was serving in the absence of the Assistant Secretary in accordance with the office’s Order of Succession.

This notice covers waivers of regulations granted by HUD from January 1, 2014 through March 31, 2014. For ease of reference, the waivers granted by HUD are listed by HUD program office (for example, the Office of Community Planning and Development, the Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, the Office of Housing, and the Office of Public and Indian Housing, etc.). Within each program office grouping, the waivers are listed sequentially by the regulatory section of title 24 of the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR) that is being waived.

For example, a waiver of a provision in 24 CFR part 58 would be listed before a waiver of a provision in 24 CFR part 570.

Where more than one regulatory provision is involved in the grant of a particular waiver request, the action is listed under the section number of the first regulatory requirement that appears in 24 CFR and that is being waived. For example, a waiver of both § 58.73 and § 58.74 would appear sequentially in the listing under § 58.73.

Waiver of regulations that involve the same initial regulatory citation are in time sequence beginning with the earliest-dated regulatory waiver.

Should HUD receive additional information about waivers granted during the period covered by this report (the first quarter of calendar year 2014) before the next report is published (the second quarter of calendar year 2014), HUD will include any additional waivers granted for the first quarter in the next report.

Accordingly, information about approved waiver requests pertaining to HUD regulations is provided in the Appendix that follows this notice.

Dated: May 19, 2014.

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Acting General Counsel.

APPENDIX

Listing of Waivers of Regulatory Requirements Granted by Offices of the Department of Housing and Urban Development January 1, 2014 through March 31, 2014

Note to Reader: More information about the granting of these waivers, including a copy of the waiver request and approval, may be obtained by contacting the person whose name is listed as the contact person directly after each set of regulatory waivers granted. The regulatory waivers granted appear in the following order:

I. Regulatory Waivers Granted by the Office of Community Planning and Development

II. Regulatory Waivers Granted by the Office of Housing

III. Regulatory Waivers Granted by the Office of Public and Indian Housing

I. Regulatory Waivers Granted by the Office of Community Planning and Development

For further information about the following regulatory waivers, please see the name of the contact person that immediately follows the description of the waiver granted.

• Regulation: 24 CFR 576.106(d)(1)

Project/Activity: Du Page County, IL and the State of West Virginia each requested a waiver of 24 CFR 576.106(d) to allow the use of Emergency Solutions Grants (ESG) rapid re-housing and homelessness prevention funding for housing units with rents exceeding HUD’s Fair Market Rent (FMR) requirements.