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

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

Dated: December 20, 2012.

Mark Johnston,

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Special Needs Programs.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–5609–N–15]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment: Statutorily-Mandated Collection of Information for Tenants in LIHTC Properties

AGENCY: Office of the Policy Development and Research, 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:* February 26, 2013.

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: Reports Liaison Officer, Office of Policy Development & Research, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 8226, Washington, DC 20410–5000.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael K. Hollar, (202) 402–5878, for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents. (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: Statutorily-Mandated Collection of Information for Tenants in LIHTC Properties.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: Section 2835(d) of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act, or HERA, (Pub. L. 110–289, approved July 30, 2008) amends Title I of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437 *et seq.*) (1937 Act) to add a new section 36 (to be codified as 42 U.S.C. 1437z-8) that requires each state agency administering tax credits under section 42 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (low-income housing tax credits or LIHTC) to furnish HUD, not less than annually, information concerning the race, ethnicity, family composition, age, income, use of rental assistance under section 8(o) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 or other similar assistance, disability status, and monthly rental payments of households residing in each property receiving such credits through such agency.

New section 36 requires HUD to establish standards and definitions for the information to be collected by state agencies and to provide states with technical assistance in establishing systems to compile and submit such information and, in coordination with other federal agencies administering housing programs, establish procedures to minimize duplicative reporting requirements for properties assisted under multiple housing programs. In 2010, OMB approved the first collection instrument used for the collection of LIHTC household information (OMB Approval No. 2528–0165, expiration date 05/31/2013). HUD used the previously approved form to collect data on LIHTC tenants in 2009, 2010 and 2011. Renewal of this form is required for HUD to remain in compliance with the statute.

OMB Approval Number: 2528–0165.

Agency form numbers: None.

Members of Affected Public: There are sixty state and local housing finance agencies which allocate low-income housing tax credits and conduct program compliance. HERA directs these agencies to submit the requested data to HUD.

Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response: This data collection includes two forms, one requesting data on properties placed in service in a single calendar year and a second requesting data on all tenants in LIHTC-subsidized units, and will be conducted annually. HUD expects completion of the properties placed in service form to average approximately eight person-hours per respondent. HUD expects completion of the tenant form to average approximately forty person-hours per respondent. In combination, the overall response burden totals 48 person-hours per respondent. The total estimated annual burden across all respondents for this data collection is 2,880 hours (60 respondents × 48 hours per respondent).

Status of the proposed information collection: Pending OMB approval.

Authority: Section 2835(d) of the Housing and Economic Recovery Act, Public Law 110–289, Title I of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937 (42 U.S.C. 1437 *et seq.*)

Dated: December 20, 2012.

Erika C. Poethig,

Acting Assistant Secretary for Policy Development and Research.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–5607–N–36]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request; Rent Schedule—Low Rent Housing

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 Date:* February 26, 2013.

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: Colette Pollard, Departmental Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW.,

Washington, DC 20410; or email *Colette.Pollard@Hud.gov*.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Harry Messner, Office of Asset Management, Policy and Participation Standards Division, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20410, telephone (202) 402–2626 (this is not a toll free number) for copies of the proposed forms and other available information.

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 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: Rent Schedule—Low Rent Housing.

OMB Control Number, if applicable: 2502–0012.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: This information is necessary for HUD to ensure that tenant rents are approved in accordance with HUD administrative procedures, and that ownership remains as described in previous APPS or form HUD–2530 submissions.

Agency form numbers, if applicable: form HUD–92458.

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 is 25,344. The number of respondents is 5,594, the number of responses is 5,594, the frequency of response is annually, and the burden hour per response is 5.33.

Status of the proposed information collection: This is an extension of a currently approved collection.

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

Dated: December 20, 2012.

Laura M. Marin,

Acting General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Housing—Acting General Deputy Federal Housing Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–5605–N–02]

Notice of Proposed Information Collection: Comment Request; Implementation of the Housing for Older Persons Act of 1995 (HOPA)

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement established under the Housing for Older Persons Act of 1995 (HOPA) will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. HUD is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

DATES: *Comment Due Date:* February 26, 2013.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposed information collection requirement. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number, and should be sent to: Deborah T. Ambers, Enforcement Division, Office of Enforcement, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 5208, Washington, DC 20410–2000, or the toll-free number for the Federal Information Relay Service at: 1 (800) 877–8399.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lynn Grosso, Director, Office of Enforcement, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 5226; Washington, DC 20410–2000; telephone (202) 402–5361 (this is not a toll-free number). Hearing or speech-impaired individuals may access this number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at: 1 (800) 877–8399.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: HUD is submitting this proposed information collection requirement to the OMB for review, as required under 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 information collection in order to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper performance of HUD's program functions; (2) Evaluate the accuracy of HUD's assessment of the paperwork burden that may result from the proposed information collection; (3) Enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information which must be collected; and (4) Minimize the burden of the information collection on responders, including the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology (e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses).

Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB

Title of Proposal: Implementation of the Housing for Older Persons Act of 1995 (HOPA).

Office: Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity.

OMB Control Number: 2529–0046.

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: The Fair Housing Act [42 U.S.C. 3601 *et seq.*], prohibits discrimination in the sale, rental, occupancy, advertising, insuring, or financing of residential dwellings based on *familial status* (individuals living in households with one or more children under 18 years of age). However, under § 3607(b)(2) of the Act, Congress exempted three (3) categories of ''*housing for older persons*'' from liability for familial status discrimination: (1) Housing provided under any State or Federal program which the Secretary of HUD determines is ''*specifically designed and operated to assist elderly persons (as defined in the State or Federal program*)''; (2) housing ''*intended for, and solely occupied by persons 62 years of age or older*''; and (3) housing ''*intended and operated for occupancy by at least one person 55 years of age or older per unit* ['55 or older' housing]''. In December 1995, Congress passed the Housing for Older Persons Act of 1995 (HOPA) [Public Law 104–76, 109 STAT. 787] as an amendment to the Fair Housing Act. The HOPA modified the ''55 or older'' housing exemption provided under § 3607(b)(2)(C) of the Fair Housing Act by eliminating the requirement that a housing provider must offer ''*significant facilities and services specifically designed to meet the physical or social needs of older persons.*'' In order to qualify for the HOPA exemption, a housing community or facility must meet each of the following criteria: (1)