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Mr. Ross A. Rutledge
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New Executive Office Building
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Mr. Rutledge:

The Department is seeking emergency review and approval of the Paperwork Reduction Act requirements for a new information collection which supports the issuance of \$380,000 available through the Fair Housing Initiatives Program (FHIP). The Notice of Paperwork submission (copy enclosed) is proposed for immediate Federal Register publication, explains the burden of collection requirements and invites public comment.

In compliance with the requirements of 5 CFR 1320.13, this letter requests emergency processing within 7 days from the date of this letter. The collection of this information is necessary due to 5 CFR 1320.13(1)(i). The Department has been charged with issuance of Transitional Initiative (TI) funding. To issue the funds available under this program, we need to publish the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA). The FHIP TI NOFA has incorporated the proposed data collection form to facilitate the submission of information by the applicant and also to facilitate the review process of applications. Consequently, in order for the Department to issue this NOFA, we need to have approval of this data collection form.

The shortened processing period that we are requesting will help facilitate the prompt issuance of the funds to the public and ensure that we comply with the requirements of the Appropriations Act.

Thank you for consideration and assistance with this matter.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Myron Newry". The signature is stylized and includes a large flourish at the end.

Myron Newry
Director, FHIP Division