



U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
WASHINGTON, DC 20410-7000

OFFICE OF COMMUNITY PLANNING  
AND DEVELOPMENT

November 23, 2010

Mr. Ross Rutledge  
OMB Desk Officer  
Office Management and Budget  
New Executive Office Building  
Washington, DC 20503

Dear Mr. Rutledge:

The Department is seeking emergency review of the Paperwork Reduction Act requirements for revised information collection which supports the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program. The existing paperwork collection effort, identified as OMB control number 2506-0133, has an expiration date of December 31, 2010.

The Notice of Paperwork Submission (copy enclosed), proposed for immediate Federal Register publication, explains the burden of the collection requirements and invites public comments on them.

In compliance with the requirements of 5 CFR 1320.13, this letter requests emergency processing within 14 days from the date of this letter. The existing paperwork collection will expire shortly. The Department has been delayed in submitting these review documents in order to consider the potential impact of how the White House National HIV/AIDS Strategy and its proposed implementation actions may impact paperwork collection efforts for the HOPWA program.

The shortened processing period that we are requesting will enable the Department to remain compliant with existing collection requirements while providing additional preparation to solicit and consider public comment on the proposed revisions.

Thank you for your consideration and assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Mark Johnston".

*for*  
Mark Johnston  
Deputy Assistant Secretary  
for Special Needs

**PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT  
EMERGENCY EXTENSION**

**Agency/Subagency**

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development  
Office of Community Planning and Development

**OMB control number**

2 5 0 6 - 0 1 3 3

**Current record**

**New record\*\***

**Expiration date**

12 / 10  
month / year

03 / 11  
month / year

**Reason for emergency extension request**

The Office of HIV/AIDS Housing administers the Housing Opportunities for Persons with AIDS (HOPWA) program. The existing paperwork collection requirement is currently being updated and the 60-day Federal Register Notice will be issued shortly. This collection requirement is critical in reporting program outcomes against HUD's strategic plan goals and to measure and report achievement towards implementation of the White House National HIV/AIDS Strategy that was announced in July 2010. A federal agency collaboration is currently underway to identify and implement action items contained within the strategy, in addition to a forthcoming effort that requires federal agencies, including HUD, to consider changes to lessen grantee reporting burden.

Consequently, assessing implementation of the National Strategy and how it will impact this current collection requirement has delayed Departmental efforts to completed proposed revisions to the existing paperwork collection documents. This action requests a 90 day extension in an effort to remain complaint with existing collection requirements while providing the Department with additional time to complete the planned revisions and to solicit and consider public comment.

**Signature of Senior Official or designee:**

**Date:**

**For OIRA Use**

*Cedric Belfrage for Mark J. Gusten*

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\*\*Three month maximum allowed from current expiration date.