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WASHINGTON, DC 20410-2000

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Ms. Catherine Bishop
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Dear Ms. Bishop,

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has received the comments that you submitted in response to: Docket # 2529-0043—Notice of Proposed Information Collection Comment Request—Economic Opportunities for Low- and Very Low-Income Persons (Form HUD 60002 and Form HUD 958).

With respect to form HUD 60002, the Department chose not to make any revisions to the current version of the form at this time. The Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity (FHEO) is undertaking an extensive effort to totally revamp form HUD 60002 and the corresponding online reporting system. These revisions will allow the Department to compile more accurate and robust data on Section 3 compliance and should result in less administrative burden on recipient agencies. When the new version of form HUD 60002 is completed, your organization will be given the opportunity to provide feedback and comments prior to implementation.

Since the current OMB approval date for form HUD 60002 expired on November 20, 2010, the Department is requesting OMB to extend the expiration date for three additional years. This approval will give HUD the authority to continue to collect Section 3 annual reports from recipient agencies in accordance with the regulation.

In response to the comments that you submitted on form HUD 958, the Department finds several of your recommendations very useful. In fact, many of these suggestions may be incorporated into the revised version of the form. FHEO is currently consulting with staff in the Office of General Counsel to determine if these proposed edits meet the statutory and regulatory requirements. After this determination is made, the revised form will be re-submitted to OMB for additional review.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding the status of these forms, please do not hesitate to contact me directly at 202-402-3468. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

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Staci Gilliam
Director
Economic Opportunity Division