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Mr. Joseph Nye
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Dear Mr. Nye:

The Department is seeking emergency review of the Paperwork Reduction Act requirements for the Federal Renewable Energy Target Voluntary Public Commitment Form. 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. This is a revision of a currently approved information collection.

In compliance with the requirements of 5 CFR 1320.13, this letter requests emergency processing within 7 days from the date of publication. This emergency processing is essential to implement program requirements under the President's Climate Action Plan, announced June 2013.

Currently, there is no vehicle available to allow program partners to make a public commitment toward the Federal Renewable Energy Target. As a priority under the Climate Action Plan, the emergency review of the Commitment Form will enable HUD to identify program partners and share this information across the Administration. The commitment form is critical to meeting the Administration's deadline of collecting this information by June 15, 2015. HUD urgently needs this documentation in order to implement the technical assistance program that is offered to those organizations that have made a public commitment to installing renewable energy technologies on-site at federally-subsidized rental housing.

Thank you for your consideration and assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cliff Taffet", written over a faint circular stamp.

Cliff Taffet,
General Deputy Assistant Secretary for Community
Planning and Development

Enclosures