

Request to Renew Using Non-Section 8 Units in the Section 8 Project as a Market Rent Ceiling

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Project name: _____

Section 8 Contract No(s). _____

FHA Project No. _____

I am asking to renew the above Section 8 contract(s) under Option 2 (Chapter Four of this Guide), using the non-Section 8 units in that project as a market rent ceiling instead of performing a traditional rent comparability study. The top half of the attached table compares the current and proposed Section 8 rents with the rents paid by tenants not receiving tenant rental assistance. The bottom half of the table shows how the proposed Column D rents were computed. The applicable OCAF or budget worksheet is attached to the table.

I certify that:

1. The above contract(s) is eligible to be renewed under Option 2 of this Guide.
2. At least 25 percent of each unit type being renewed is occupied by tenants who pay the full rent due the owner and receive no tenant rental assistance. "Tenant rental assistance" includes project-based Section 8, certificates/vouchers, PRAC/PAC in a 202/811 project, or any comparable federal/state/other public subsidy.
3. For each unit type being renewed, the proposed Section 8 contract rent is no more than the average rent tenants not receiving rental assistance pay for that unit type. The average rent for each unit type is shown on the attached table. Units and rents used to compute the average rent are identified on the attached rent roll.
4. Units used to compute paragraph 3's average rent have been paying (*without assistance and for three or more months*) at least the rent levels used in computing the average. These units do not receive rental concessions or rebates and tenants in these units have no business or family relationship with the project's ownership or management.
5. The Section 8 units and the units occupied by tenants not receiving tenant rental subsidies are nearly identical. They have the same number of bedrooms and baths; are similar in condition, layout, and size; and have the same amenities and utilities included in the rent.
6. Occupancy rates in the units occupied by tenants not receiving tenant rental subsidies are not significantly less than occupancy levels for those unit types in the project's market area.

I/We, the undersigned, certify under penalty of perjury that the information provided above is true and accurate. WARNING: Anyone who knowingly submits a false claim or makes a false statement is subject to criminal and/or civil penalties, including confinement for up to 5 years, fines, and civil and administrative penalties. (18 U.S.C. §§ 287, 1001, 1010, 1012; 31 U.S.C. §§ 3729, 3802)

Owner name (print or type)

Owner signature

Date (mm/dd/yyyy)