

Justification for Non-Substantive Change
Department of the Treasury: Emergency Rental Assistance Program Reports
OMB: 1505-0270

The Department of Treasury is submitting a request for a non-substantive change to the Emergency Rental Assistance (ERA2) quarterly compliance report (OMB Control Number 1505-0270).

The proposed changes are found in the brief section of the report that is applicable to only 38 recipients who are managing Affordable Rental Housing project(s) as part of their ERA2 program. The changes include clarifications of existing questions, new picklist options, and a few new questions to confirm recipients are complying with specific program requirements. These changes do not introduce any new concepts or measures on which the public did not have opportunity to comment on as a part of previous approvals.

Once approved, Treasury will update the ERA2 on-line quarterly compliance reporting form and associated reporting guidance. Treasury estimates that these changes will have no impact on the currently approved burden because they are clarifications to existing questions or updates to confirm compliance with existing program requirements.

The changes are summarized below and shown on the attached document.

- Clarifying edits to several questions and picklist options.
- Requiring brief narrative explanations when the recipient choosing “other” and “yes” or “no” on certain picklist questions.
- Requiring recipients to confirm their compliance with specific program rules including:
 - a. Provide dates for acquisition, final ERA2 expenditures and project completion.
 - b. Provide a narrative explanation if ERA2-funded rental units will be set aside for fewer than 20 years for families with very low incomes.
 - c. Provide confirmation that in mixed-incomes housing projects, the ERA2 funds will be used only for costs of units serving families with very low incomes.