

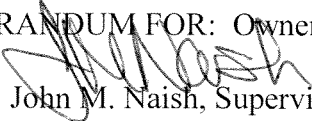


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MEMORANDUM FOR: Owners, Management Agents and Project Managers

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SUBJECT: Refinement of Income and Rent Determination Final Rule

On January 27, 2009, HUD published in the Federal Register the final rule regarding the Refinement of Income and Rent Determination Requirements in Public and Assisted Housing Programs. The final rule requires all applicants and participants to have social security numbers (SSNs) in order to be eligible for rental assistance.

A notice of Proposed Delay was published on February 11, 2009. This notice requests a 60-day delay in the effective date in obtaining SSNs. However, owners and/or agents should begin informing current tenants as well as people currently on your waiting lists of the change in requirements so that they can begin the process of applying for a social security number.

The Notice of Proposed Delay also clarifies the requirement for SSNs in mixed families under HUD's noncitizens regulations. Proration of assistance and screening for these families will continue according to existing requirements.

A link to the above notices can be found on the multifamily housing website at <http://www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/hsgmulti.cfm>. We encourage you to submit comments on the notice and final rule. The comment period ends March 13, 2009.