

*Nature of Requirement:* Section 982.532(a)(4) defines college dormitories or other school dormitories as types of housing that are ineligible for tenant-based assistance.

*Granted by:* Michael Liu, Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

*Date Granted:* August 16, 2002.

*Reason Waived:* Approval of the waiver was granted because the voucher participant needed to live in housing on the college campus for easier access to classes. The voucher participant is dependent on an electric wheelchair for mobility and there is no other affordable housing on or near the University.

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- *Regulation:* 24 CFR 983.51.

*Project/Activity:* The Housing Authority of the County of Chester (HACC), Chester, Pennsylvania; Project-based Assistance Program. The HACC requested a waiver of the aforementioned program regulation to allow for the selection of units for project-based assistance that were competitively selected for tax credits, and competitively awarded HOPE VI grant funds without requiring HUD review and approval of a written selection policy, and without advertising for a competitive selection of units under the project-based program. The HACC is the general partner of the entity that owns the development.

*Nature of Requirement:* Section 983.51 requires HUD review and approval of a written selection policy and advertisement for the competitive selection of units to receive project-based assistance.

*Granted by:* Michael Liu, Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

*Date Granted:* September 27, 2002.

*Reason Waived:* The waiver was granted on the basis that the units had already undergone a total of two competitive processes and on the HACC's desire to induce capital contributions from its limited partners to assist in the restructuring of the financing on the project.

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- *Regulation:* 24 CFR 983.51(a), (b), and 983.56(a) and (c).

*Project/Activity:* Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO), New Orleans, Louisiana; Project-based Assistance Program. The HANO requested a waiver of competition requirements under the project-based assistance program and the requirement of HUD field office review of new construction applications. The project is a previous public housing site owned by the HANO. The HANO plans to transform the site into a stable, mixed-income community.

*Nature of Requirement:* Section 983.51 requires HUD review and approval of a written selection policy and advertisement for the competitive selection of units to receive project-based assistance. Section 983.56 deals with HUD field office review of new construction applications.

*Granted by:* Michael Liu, Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

*Date Granted:* August 30, 2002.

*Reason Waived:* The waiver was granted on the basis that the HANO has a substantial interest in the property and the waiver would allow the units to be used as replacement housing in conjunction with HOPE VI program activities to further local revitalization objectives.

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- *Regulation:* 24 CFR 983.51.

*Project/Activity:* The High Point Housing Authority (HPHA), High Point, North Carolina; Project-based Assistance Program. The HPHA requested a waiver of competitive selection of owner proposals.

*Nature of Requirement:* Section 983.51 requires competitive selection of owner proposals in accordance with a housing authority's HUD-approved advertisement and unit selection policy.

*Granted by:* Michael Liu, Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

*Date Granted:* July 26, 2002.

*Reason Waived:* Competitive selection was waived since the Springfield Community Development Partners (SCDP) had already gone through two rounds of competitive selection. The HPHA competitively selected the SCDP as its HOPE VI partner to revitalize the

former Springfield Townhomes public housing project. In addition, the SCDP was also awarded low-income housing tax credits for the same project through a competitive process conducted by the North Carolina Housing Finance Agency.

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- *Regulation:* 24 CFR 1000.214.

*Project/Activity:* The submission of the Indian Housing Plan (IHP) by the Native Village of Tanana (Tanana, AK) for Fiscal Year (FY) 2002 funding made available under the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act of 1996 (NAHASDA).

*Nature of Requirement:* Section 1000.214 establishes a July 1st deadline for the submission of an IHP.

*Reason Waived:* The Native Village of Tanana stated that the Executive Director was told that the IHP had been prepared and submitted to the Office of Native American Programs (ONAP) by the required deadline. When discovered that the Executive Director had not submitted the IHP, the Executive Director completed and electronically submitted the plan. Had subsistence needs not precluded the Executive Director's presence in the office June 28, 2002, through July 8, 2002, the misrepresentation would have been discovered and corrected.

*Granted by:* Michael Liu, Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

*Date Granted:* September 27, 2002.

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- *Regulation:* 24 CFR 1000.214.

*Project/Activity:* The submission of the IHP by the Native Village of Tanacross (Tanacross, AK) for FY 2002 funding made available under NAHASDA.

*Nature of Requirement:* Section 1000.214 establishes a July 1st deadline for the submission of an IHP.

*Reason Waived:* The Native Village of Tanacross stated, and ONAP believes, that the IHP was mailed prior to the regulatory deadline and the submission was lost in the mail.

*Granted by:* Michael Liu, Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.