Facility 1005 Selfridge AFB

Mt. Clemens Co: Macomb MI 48045–5295 Landholding Agency: Air Force

Property Number: 189630018 Status: Unutilized

Reason: Secured Area.
Facility 1012

Selfridge AFB Mt. Clemens Co: Macomb MI 48045–5295

Landholding Agency: Air Force Property Number: 189630019

Status: Unutilized Reason: Secured Area.

Facility 1017 Selfridge AFB

Mt. Clemens Co: Macomb MI 48045-5295

Landholding Agency: Air Force Property Number: 189630020

Status: Unutilized Reason: Secured Area.

Facility 1025 Selfridge AFB

Mt. Clemens Co: Macomb MI 48045-5295

Landholding Agency: Air Force Property Number: 189630021

Status: Unutilized Reason: Secured Area.

Facility 1031 Selfridge AFB

Mt. Clemens Co: Macomb MI 48045-5295

Landholding Agency: Air Force Property Number: 189630022

Status: Unutilized Reason: Secured Area.

Facility 1041 Selfridge AFB

Mt. Clemens Co: Macomb MI 48045-5295

Landholding Agency: Air Force Property Number: 189630023

Status: Unutilized Reason: Within 2000 ft. of

Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material Secured Area.

Facility 1445 Selfridge AFB

Mt. Clemens Co: Macomb MI 48045–5295

Landholding Agency: Air Force Property Number: 189630024

Status: Unutilized

Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material Secured Area.

Facility 1514 Selfridge AFB

Mt. Clemens Co: Macomb MI 48045–5295

Landholding Agency: Air Force Property Number: 189630025

Status: Ŭnutilized Reason: Secured Area.

Facility 1575 Selfridge AFB

Mt. Clemens Co: Macomb MI 48045-5295

Landholding Agency: Air Force Property Number: 189630026

Status: Unutilized

Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material Secured Area.

Facility 1576 Selfridge AFB

Mt. Clemens Co: Macomb MI 48045-5295

Landholding Agency: Air Force Property Number: 189630027

Status: Unutilized

Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material Secured Area.

Facility 1578 Selfridge AFB

Mt. Clemens Co: Macomb MI 48045–5295

Landholding Agency: Air Force Property Number: 189630028

Status: Unutilized

Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material Secured Area.

Facility 1580 Selfridge AFB

Mt. Clemens Co: Macomb MI 48045–5295 Landholding Agency: Air Force

Property Number: 189630029

Status: Unutilized

Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material Secured Area.

Facility 1582 Selfridge AFB

Mt. Clemens Co: Macomb MI 48045-5295

Landholding Agency: Air Force Property Number: 189630030

Status: Unutilized

Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material Secured Area.

Facility 1583 Selfridge AFB

Mt. Clemens Co: Macomb MI 48045–5295

Landholding Agency: Air Force Property Number: 189630031

Status: Unutilized

Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material Secured Area.

Facility 1584 Selfridge AFB

Mt. Clemens Co: Macomb MI 48045–5295

Landholding Agency: Air Force Property Number: 189630032

Status: Unutilized

Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material Secured Area.

Facility 1585 Selfridge AFB

Mt. Clemens Co: Macomb MI 48045–5295 Landholding Agency: Air Force

Property Number: 189630033 Status: Unutilized

Reason: Secured Area.

New York

Fed. Bldg.

Multi Bldg. complex, 252 7th Avenue

New York NY 10001 Landholding Agency: GSA Property Number: 549630001

Status: Excess

Reason: Extensive deterioration GSA Number: NY-0783A.

Land (by State)

Idaho

Zanzow Sidewalk Sale

0.5 acres

Boise Co: Ada ID 83705– Landholding Agency: Interior Property Number: 619630001

Status: Unutilized

Reason: Within 2000 ft. of flammable or explosive material.

Oregon

Portion/Oregon Landfill

3 acres

Ontario Co: Malheur OR 97914– Landholding Agency: Interior Property Number: 619630002 Status: Unutilized Reason: Other Comment: landlocked.

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Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing; Notice of Fiscal Year 1996 Funding for the Section 8 Rental Voucher Program and Rental Certificate Program

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian

Housing, HUD. **ACTION:** Notice of Fiscal Year (FY) 1996 funding for the Section 8 rental voucher program and rental certificate program.

SUMMARY: The Omnibus Consolidated Rescissions and Appropriations Act of 1996 (P.L. 104-134, 110 Stat. 1321, approved April 26, 1996) provides \$400 million of certificate and voucher funding in FY 1996 for the following purposes: (a) for residents to be relocated from existing federally subsidized or assisted housing, (b) for replacement housing for units demolished or disposed of from the public and Indian housing inventory (including units disposed of pursuant to homeownership programs under section 5(h) or title III (HOPE I and HOPE II) of the U.S. Housing Act of 1937), (c) for funds related to litigation settlements, including court orders agreed to by the parties in settlement of litigation, (d) for conversion of Section 23 housing, (e) to enable public housing agencies to implement allocation plans approved by **HUD** headquarters for designated housing for elderly and disabled persons, (f) to carry out the family unification program, and (g) for the relocation of witnesses in connection with efforts to combat crime in public, Indian and other assisted housing pursuant to a request from a law enforcement or prosecution agency.

In addition to the \$400 million Section 8 certificate and voucher funding, the FY 1996 Appropriations Act provides that HUD may designate up to 25 percent of amounts earmarked for Section 811 supportive housing for persons with disabilities for tenantbased certificate and voucher assistance. The FY 1996 Appropriations Act also provides for funding for renewal of Section 8 certificate and voucher Annual Contributions Contracts (ACCs), amendments to the original terms of ACCs for selected certificate and moderate rehabilitation programs, and for property disposition activities. Also, a portion of the FY 1996 community

development grant funding appropriated for supportive services will be used for family self-sufficiency (FSS) service coordinators.

This notice provides general information about the availability of Section 8 certificate and voucher program budget authority made available by the FY 1996 Appropriations Act (as well as FY 1996 community development grant funds for supportive services) and additional budget authority (carryover and recaptured budget authority) that is available for use in FY 1996. This notice also specifies the procedures to be followed by HUD when making these funds available to public housing agencies and Indian housing authorities, herein referred to as housing agencies (HAs). Except as indicated below, the Department will allocate the Section 8 funds on a non-competitive basis.

The ACC for all funding including renewals appropriated for FY 1996 will generally be for a term of two years. However, ACCs for tenant-based assistance from Section 811 funding will be five years.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gerald J. Benoit, Director, Operations Division, office of Rental Assistance, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Room 4220, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20410–8000, telephone (202) 708–0477. (This telephone number is not toll-free.) Hearing-impaired or speech-impaired individuals may access any of the voice telephone numbers listed in this notice by calling the Federal information relay services during working hours at 1–800–877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Paperwork Reduction Act Statement

The information collection requirements contained in this notice have been approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501–3520), and assigned OMB control number 2577–0169. An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless the collection displays a valid control number.

Background

The FY 1996 Appropriations Act provides funding for Section 8 certificate and voucher assistance, but the funds must be used for specified purposes. The law does not provide funds for such other purposes as "fair share" applications, portability

reimbursements, or "headquarters reserve" applications to assist victims of natural disasters or other housing emergencies.

The following are the purposes for which Section 8 certificate and voucher funding will be provided during FY 1996: (1) Relocation or replacement housing, (2) litigation, (3) conversion of Section 23 housing, (4) mainstream housing opportunities for disabled persons, (5) family unification program, (6) relocation of witnesses involved in law enforcement and criminal prosecution, (7) tenant-based assistance under the Section 811 supportive housing for persons with disabilities program, (8) property disposition, (9) Section 8 counseling to achieve broader housing opportunities, (10) Section 8 certificate and voucher renewals, and (11) Section 8 cost amendments.

I. Relocation or Replacement Housing (Approximately 18,000 Units)

A. Categories

Funds will be awarded for relocation of families living in public housing and for replacement of public housing units. Listed below are six categories for the use of Section 8 funds for relocation or replacement housing. HUD expects that most of the \$400 million of the Section 8 certificate and voucher funds will be used to relocate residents who are living in public and Indian housing that is deteriorated or obsolete or to provide replacement housing for vacant units. HUD may establish a maximum amount of funds that will be available for any of the six categories under the relocation or replacement housing set-aside. The six categories for relocation or replacement housing are as follows: (1) Relocation assistance for families for units approved for demolition or disposition prior to October 1, 1995, (2) relocation assistance for families for units approved for demolition or disposition on or after October 1, 1995, (3) replacement units for public or Indian housing units that were occupied at the time of demolition or disposition approval, (4) relocation assistance for families living in public housing displaced due to mandatory conversion of distressed units, (5) relocation assistance for families living in public housing undergoing vacancy consolidation, and (6) replacement units for vacant public or Indian housing units in projects approved for demolition or disposition.

The Section 8 program funds will be awarded to housing agencies for Category 1 applications until all Category 1 applications are funded or all the funds are awarded. If any funds are

remaining after all the Category 1 applications are funded, HUD will award funds for Category 2 applications until all Category 2 applications are funded or all the funds are awarded and so on for each of the categories in order of priority until all the fund are awarded.

The following is a description, in order of priority for funding, of the relocation or replacement categories under which housing agencies may receive an award:

Category 1: Relocation Assistance for Families Living in Public or Indian Housing Units Approved for Demolition or Disposition Prior to October 1, 1995. Applications will be accepted from housing agencies with applications approved prior to October 1, 1995, for demolition or disposition of public and Indian housing units where families are still living in the units and need to be relocated.

Category 2: Relocation Assistance for Families Living in Public or Indian Housing Units Approved for Demolition or Disposition on or After October 1, 1995. Applications will be accepted from housing agencies with applications approved on or after October 1, 1995, for demolition or disposition of public and Indian housing units where families are still living in the units and need to be relocated. This category also includes demolition or disposition applications that are approvable in all respects, except that the time frames for the resident purchase option are still running and will be completed after the date for submission of applications for funding under this notice.

Category 3: Replacement Assistance for Families Living in Public and Indian Housing Units at the Time of Demolition or Disposition Approval. Applications will be accepted from housing agencies as replacement of public and Indian housing units that were occupied at the time of demolition or disposition approval, but the units are no longer occupied by the families. Replacement assistance may be provided from the Section 8 funds as long as the HA did not receive Section 8 funding for resident relocation or other replacement housing funding.

Category 4: Relocation Assistance for Families Living in Public Housing Displaced Due to Mandatory Conversion of Distressed Units. Applications will be accepted from housing agencies for assistance to families living in public housing who need to be relocated due to the conversion of the distressed public housing units mandated by federal regulation.

Category 5: Relocation Assistance for Families Living in Public Housing

Undergoing Vacancy Consolidation. Applications will be accepted from housing agencies for assistance to families living in public housing who need to be relocated from obsolete public housing because of vacancy consolidation.

Category 6: Replacement Units for Vacant Public and Indian Housing Units in Projects Approved for Demolition or Disposition. Applications will be accepted from housing agencies for public and Indian housing units vacant at the time of demolition or disposition approval.

B. Definitions

1. Mandatory Conversion

The FY 1996 Appropriations Act (Section 202) requires the conversion from assistance to distressed public housing developments to assistance for tenant-based certificates or vouchers. The law requires the removal of distressed units from the public housing inventory. The requirement applies to public housing developments (or portions of developments) of more than 300 units on the same or contiguous sites that (1) have a vacancy rate of at least ten percent for units not in funded, on-schedule modernization programs, (2) cannot assure long term public housing viability through reasonable revitalization, density reduction or broader range of resident incomes, and (3) cost more than Section 8 certificates or vouchers. These developments generally must be removed from the public housing inventory within five years. HUD will accept HA applications for Section 8 tenant-based assistance to relocate families of such developments. The implementation standards for mandatory conversion of distressed public housing will be provided in a separate notice.

2. Vacancy Consolidation

This is an initiative to allow residents of partially occupied, obsolete public housing to have immediate, improved housing opportunities through the Section 8 program, while also providing improved public housing management, maintenance, and security at the HA. The improved management, maintenance and security will be achieved by the HA reducing the number of partially occupied obsolete public housing buildings.

C. Application Date

HAs interested in obtaining FY 1996 Section 8 certificates or vouchers for public and Indian housing relocation or replacement purposes identified in Categories 1–6 above should submit a Section 8 application to the HUD field office by ______ (45 days from date of notice publication).

D. Applications

1. Applications for Categories 1, 2, 3, or 6

For these categories of funding, the application must include: (a) a Form HUD–52515, Funding Application for Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance, (b) a statement identifying the public or Indian housing development being demolished or disposed and (c) whether there is any Section 8 funding previously provided by HUD to the HA for relocation or replacement that is no longer needed or Section 8 or other funding for relocation or replacement with respect to the same public housing units.

The HA's demolition/disposition application must be submitted with the Section 8 application unless HUD has already approved the public or Indian housing demolition/disposition application or the application for demolition/disposition is being reviewed by HUD. HAs must simultaneously submit a copy of the demolition/disposition application to the appropriate HUD processing center. The HUD State or Area office (field Office) should complete a Section 8 fund reservation worksheet for each Section 8 application received, and forward each worksheet to the Operations Division in the Office of Rental Assistance in Headquarters with a cover memorandum indicating the status of the HA demolition/disposition request. No further HUD field office review of the Section 8 application is necessary except for initiating the Section 213 local government comment

Section 8 funding will not be provided for relocation or replacement if funds for replacement, relocation or vacancy consolidation were previously provided (or will be provided) through the HOPE VI, public or Indian housing development, Section 8, or major reconstruction of obsolete projects (MROP) programs. If Section 8 funding is provided for relocation of a resident from a public or Indian housing unit due to demolition, disposition or vacancy consolidation, there will be no additional Section 8 funding for replacement purposes. Additionally, if Section 8 funding previously provided for relocation or replacement is no longer needed, FY 1996 Section 8 funding requests will be offset by the amount of funding no longer needed.

2. Application for Category 4

The application must include: (a) a Form HUD–52515, Funding Application for Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance, (b) a statement identifying the public or Indian housing development affected by the mandatory conversion and (c) whether there is any Section 8 funding previously provided by HUD to the HA for relocation or replacement that is no longer needed.

3. Applications for Category 5 For Vacancy Consolidation requests, HAs must submit (a) a Form HUD-52515, Funding Application Section 8 Tenant-Based Assistance, and (b) a vacancy consolidation application consisting of (i) a description of the partially vacant and deteriorated public housing building or developments, including the vacancy rate, for which vacancy consolidation is being requested; (ii) a statement indicating whether there is any Section 8 funding previously provided to the HA for relocation/replacement or vacancy consolidation that is no longer needed because of receipt of subsequent HOPE VI funding, a change of HA plans, or because residents do not need or have declined the offer of a certificate or a voucher; (iii) a certification that the PHA will submit an approvable vacancy consolidation plan to the HUD field office within three months of notification of approval of the Section 8 application and after consultation with affected residents or their representatives, and promptly consolidate occupancy in particular buildings after departure of the residents and in accordance with the **HUD** approved vacancy consolidation plan; and (iv) any other information relevant to the vacancy consolidation application to be taken into consideration by HUD in determining the need for certificates or vouchers for vacancy consolidation.

The field office should submit the vacancy consolidation application to the Office of Capital Improvements in Headquarters with a cover memorandum indicating the field office's evaluation comments, a recommendation whether to approve the application, and comments regarding the status of any previously approved vacancy consolidation certificates or vouchers. The HUD field office should complete a Section 8 fund reservation worksheet for each Section 8 application received, and forward this worksheet to the Operations Division in the Office of Rental Assistance in Headquarters. No further HUD field office review of the Section 8 application is necessary except for initiating the Section 213 local government comment process.

Vacancy consolidation applications will be approved by HUD Headquarters based on HUD's judgement of the need for certificates or vouchers for vacancy consolidation. HUD will take into account, in its discretion, the magnitude of the deteriorated conditions faced by the HA; the availability of other means of addressing the problem (e.g., relocation of households into other public housing units); the local and national impact of the proposed initiative; and other relevant factors based on the expression of interest made available by the HA or known to HUD (including ability to implement the program).

II. Litigation (Approximately 2,500 Units)

The Department will continue to provide funds for settlement of litigation. When negotiations of the litigation settlement are complete, Headquarters will notify the HUD field offices of the number of vouchers and/or certificates to be provided to the HA. The HUD field office will invite Section 8 applications from the HAs eligible for these funds.

III. Section 23 Conversions (Approximately 1,000 Units)

Headquarters will allocate certificate funds directly to the HUD field offices for tenant-based rental assistance to assist residents of Section 23 leased housing for which leased are expiring during FY 1996. An HA that has a Section 23 leased housing project with a lease expiring during FY 1996 should submit a Section 8 application to the HUD field office.

IV. Mainstream Housing Opportunities for Persons With Disabilities (Approximately 2,000 Units)

As was done in FY 1995, HUD will provide vouchers and certificates to HAs to allow implementation of allocation plans for public housing developments designated for occupancy by elderly persons or persons with disabilities. The Department will publish a NOFA detailing the procedures for requesting Section 8 funding for designated housing. In order to be eligible to receive Section 8 units for a designated housing use, the HA must currently administer a Section 8 voucher or certificate program. Section 8 funding preference will be given to HAs with approved designated housing allocation plans that did not previously receive Section 8 funding for this

The Housing Opportunity Program Extension Act of 1996 amended some of the statutory requirements for designated housing, including requirements concerning the submission and review of designated housing allocation plans. HUD will soon issue a notice specifying the designated housing program changes and providing additional information on allocation plan requirements.

V. Family Unification Program (Approximately 1,600 Units)

On May 3, 1996, HUD published a NOFA soliciting applications for certificate funding for the family unification program. The funding will be provided by lottery to HAs in the sixteen states previously funded; California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Maryland, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Pennsylvania, Texas, and Virginia.

VI. Relocation of Witnesses Involved in Law Enforcement and Criminal Prosecution (Approximately 200 Units)

The Department will provide funding for vouchers or certificates to accommodate requests from law enforcement agencies for relocation assistance to families that have cooperated in efforts to combat crime in public, Indian, and other assisted housing. The process for using Section 8 certificates and vouchers for witness relocation purposes will be provided in a separate HUD administrative notice.

VII. FSS Service Coorindators

Up to \$9.2 million of the FY 1996 community development grant funding appropriated for supportive services will be used for FSS service coordinators. A separate NOFA will detail the application procedures for these funds.

VIII. Tenant-Based Assistance Under the Section 811 Supportive Housing for Persons With Disabilities Program (Approximately 2,300 Units)

The Department will publish a NOFA detailing the procedures for requesting funding for tenant-based supportive housing for persons with disabilities. It is anticipated that HA Section 8 applications will be selected by lottery.

IX. Property Disposition Units (Approximately 1,300 Units)

HUD Headquarters will assign funds for Section 8 tanant-based assistance directly to the HUD field offices to assist families living in a HUD-owned property when it is sold. HUD field office requests to Headquarters for funding under this category will be approved on a first-come, first-served basis.

X. Section 8 Counseling To Achieve Broader Housing Opportunities (Approximately \$52 Million in Budget Authority)

Headquarters may provide Section 8 counseling funding from FY 1995 carryover funds to provide housing search assistance to certificate and voucher holders in connection with litigation, public housing relocation/replacement, and public housing vacancy consolidation activities. In addition, HUD may provide a portion of the funding available for Section 8 counseling activities to achieve broader housing opportunities. Housing agencies that are eligible for the special administrative fees for counseling activities will be notified by HUD.

XI. Section 8 Voucher and Certificate Renewals (Approximately 300,000 Units and \$3.8 Billion in Two-Year Budget Authority)

HUD Headquarters will allocate funds directly to the HUD field offices for the renewal of voucher and certificate funding increments expiring in Fiscal Year 1996. Renewal funding will be provided on an "as-needed" basis. Generally, Section 8 certificate funds will be provided for the renewal of moderate rehabilitation funding increments expiring in fiscal year 1996.

XII. Section 8 Cost Amendments (Approximately \$213 Million in Budget Authority)

HUD Headquarters will allocate certificate and moderate rehabilitation cost amendments within the original term of the housing assistance payments contracts or ACCs to provide budget authority increases to HA certificate and moderate rehabilitation programs. HUD Headquarters will allocate the funds on an "as needed" basis.

Other Matters

Environmental Finding

A Finding of No Significant Impact with respect to the environment has been made in accordance with HUD regulations at 24 CFR part 50, which implement section 102(2)(C) of the National Environmental Policy Act of 1969. The Finding of No Significant Impact is available for public inspection during regular business hours in the Office of General Counsel, the Rules Docket Clerk, Room 10276, 451 Seventh Street, SW, Washington, DC 20410.

Federalism Impact

The General Counsel, as the Designated Official under section 6(a) of Executive Order 12612, *Federalism*, has determined that the policies contained in this notice will not have substantial direct effects on States or their political subdivisions, or the relationship between the federal government and the States, or on the distribution of power and responsibilities among the various levels of government. As a result, the notice is not subject to review under the Order. This notice is a funding notice and does not substantially alter the established roles of the Department, the States, and local governments, including HAs.

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance

The Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance number for this program is 14.857 (Section 8 Rental Certificate Program).

Impact on the Family

The General Counsel, as the Designated Official under Executive Order 12606, *The Family,* has determined that this notice does not have potential for significant impact on family formation, maintenance, and general well-being within the meaning of the Executive Order and, thus, is not subject to review under the Order. This is a funding notice and does not alter program requirements concerning family eligibility.

Dated: July 15, 1996.

Michael B. Janis,

General Deputy, Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

Notice of Receipt of Application for Incidental Take Permit for Surveying the Species Listed Below Within New Mexico

APPLICANT: Jerry Maracchini, Santa Fe, New Mexico.

SUMMARY: Jerry Maracchini has applied to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) for an incidental take permit pursuant to Section 10(A)1(a) of the Endangered Species Act, for the purpose of scientific research and enhancement of propagation and survival of the species as prescribed by Service recovery documents. The applicant has been assigned permit number PRT–815409. The requested permit, which is for a period of 2 years, would authorize the incidental take of the following endangered species:

1. Pecos gambusia (Gambusia nobilis)

- 2. Rio Grande silvery minnow (*Hybognathus amarus*)
- 3. Colorado squawfish (*Ptychocheilus lucius*)
- 4. razorback sucker (Xyrauchen texanus)
- 5. Gila trout (Oncorhynchus gila)
- 6. New Mexican ridge-nosed rattlesnake (Crotalus willardi obscurus)
- 7. Southwestern willow flycatcher (*Empidonax traillii extimus*)
- 8. brown pelican (*pelecanus occidentalis*)
- bald eagle (*Haliaeetus leucocephalus*)
 American peregrine falcon (*Falco peregrinus anatum*)
- 11. aplomado falcon (*F. femoralis septentrionalis*)
- 12. whooping crane (*Grus americana*)
- 13. piping plover (*Charadrius melodus*)14. Interior least tern (*Sterna antillarum athalassos*)
- 15. Alamosa springsnail (*Tryonia alamosae*)
- 16. Socorro springsnail (*Pyrgulopsis neomexicana*)
- 17. Socorro isopod (*Thermosphaeroma* thermophilum)

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to review the application may obtain a copy by writing to the Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 1306, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103. The request must be received by the Assistant Regional Director within 30 days of the date of this publication. Please refer to permit number PRT–815409 when submitting comments.

Documents and other information submitted with this application are available for review, subject to the requirements of the Privacy Act and Freedom of Information Act, by any party who submits a written request for a copy of such documents to the above office within 30 days of the date of publication of this notice.

Nancy M. Kaufman,

Regional Director, Region 2, Albuquerque, New Mexico.

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Notice of Availability of an Environmental Assessment/Habitat Conservation Plan (EA/HCP) and Receipt of Application for Incidental Take Permit for Construction and Operation of the Reed Estate Property by the Volente Group, Inc. in Austin, Travis County, Texas

SUMMARY: The Volente Group, Inc. (applicant) has applied to the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) for an incidental take permit pursuant to Section 10(a)(1)(b) of the Endangered Species Act (Act). The Applicant has

been assigned permit number PRT-806831. The requested permit, which is for a period of 30 years, would authorize the incidental take of the endangered golden-cheeked warbler (Denroica *chrysoparia*) and the black-capped vireo (Vireo atricapillus). The proposed take would occur as a result of the development of a lakefront mixed-use development and associated roads and utilities on 1,746 acres of the 2,572.8acre Reed Estate Property. The property includes two tracts, Jonestown and Volente. The Jonestown tract is approximately 1,160.9 acres just south of Jonestown, Texas. The Volente tract includes approximately 1,411.9 acres, and is north of Volente, Texas. The proposed development will occur on both tracts approximately 16 miles northwest of Austin, Travis County, Texas.

The Service has prepared the EA/HCP for the incidental take application.

A determination of jeopardy to the species will likely result or a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONS) will not be made before 30 days from the date of publication of this notice. This notice is provided pursuant to Section 10(c) of the Act and National Environmental Policy Act regulations (40 CFR 1506.6). DATES: Written comments on the application should be received August 19, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Persons wishing to review the application may obtain a copy by writing to the Regional Director, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, P.O. Box 1306, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87103. Persons wishing to review the EA/HCP may obtain a copy by contacting Mary Orms, Ecological Services Field Office, 10711 Burnet Road, Suite 200, Austin, Texas 78758 (512/490-0063). Documents will be available for public inspection by written request, by appointment only, during normal business hours (8:00 to 4:30) at the above U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Austin, Texas address. Written data or comments concerning the application and EA/HCP should be submitted to the Field Supervisor at the above address. Please refer to permit number PRT-806831 when submitting comments. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Mary Orms at the above Austin Ecological Services Field Office.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 9 of the Act prohibits the "taking" of endangered species such as the goldencheeked warbler and black-capped vireo. However, the Service, under limited circumstances, may issue permits to take endangered wildlife species when such taking is incidental to, and not the purpose of, otherwise