

already qualified for special immigrant status. In addition, an eligible alien may be currently outside the United States and wish to file the petition for special immigrant classification with CIS, before applying for an immigrant visa abroad, rather than applying to adjust status in the United States.

*How Will Eligible Applicants Be Notified of This Change in Filing Location?*

In addition to this notice, CIS will be alerting those eligible aliens of the new filing procedures on its forms Web site, at <http://www.uscis.gov/graphics/formsfee/index.htm>. To ensure that all international organizations are aware of this change, the Department of State will be contacting these organizations to inform them of the new filing procedure.

*When Will the New Procedure Become Effective?*

This procedure becomes effective on February 23, 2004.

*What Address Should Be Used?*

If an alien is only submitting a petition for classification as a special immigrant (Form I-360) pursuant to section 101(a)(27)(I) of the Act, then the following address should be used: Nebraska Service Center, P.O. Box 87360, Lincoln, NE 68501-7360.

If an alien is concurrently submitting an application for adjustment of status (Form I-485) with a petition for classification as a special immigrant (Form I-360) pursuant to section 101(a)(27)(I) of the Act, or if an alien who has already had the Form I-360 approved by CIS pursuant to section 101(a)(27)(I) of the Act and later separately submits an application for adjustment of status (Form I-485), then the following address should be used: Nebraska Service Center, P.O. Box 87485, Lincoln, NE 68501-7485.

*What Will Happen to the Petitions/ Applications Already Filed?*

Petitions for classification as a special immigrant pursuant to section 101(a)(27)(I) of the Act and any applications for adjustment of status based upon such special immigrant classification that have been filed with CIS prior to February 23, 2004, will be adjudicated to their completion at the service center or district office where they were originally filed.

*What Will Happen to Those Applications/Petitions Filed at a Service Center or District Office After February 23, 2004?*

Petitions for classification as a special immigrant pursuant to section 101(a)(27)(I) of the Act and any applications for adjustment of status based upon such special immigrant classification that are filed with CIS at a location other than the Nebraska Service Center after February 23, 2004, will be forwarded to the Nebraska Service Center until the instructions to the Forms I-360 and I-485 have been amended to include the correct filing address.

*Will Aliens Applying for Adjustment of Status Be Interviewed?*

Applicants may be eligible for a waiver of the interview pursuant to existing CIS interview waiver criteria. If the interview requirement is not waived, the case at the Nebraska Service Center will be referred to the district office where the applicant lives for an interview.

*Which Applicants Will This Notice Affect?*

This notice will affect those eligible individuals who have not yet submitted their petitions for special immigrant classification pursuant to section 101(a)(27)(I) of the Act and/or filed for adjustment of status based upon classification as a special immigrant pursuant to section 101(a)(27)(I) of the Act.

Dated: December 2, 2003.

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Director, Bureau of Citizenship and Immigration Services.

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**DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-4904-N-01]

**Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB Emergency Comment Request; Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program (SHOP)**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of proposed information collection.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for

emergency review and approval, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

**DATES:** *Comment Due Date:* February 6, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comment regarding this proposal. Comments must be received within fourteen (14) days from the date of this Notice. Comments should refer to the proposal by name/or OMB approval number (2577-0157) and should be sent to: Melaine Kadlic, HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; e-mail: [Melanie\\_Kadlic@omb.eop.gov](mailto:Melanie_Kadlic@omb.eop.gov); fax: (202) 395-6974.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Wayne Eddins, Reports Management Officer, AYO, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410; e-mail: [Wayne\\_Eddins@HUD.Gov](mailto:Wayne_Eddins@HUD.Gov); telephone (202) 708-2374. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Mr. Eddins or on HUD's Web site at <http://www5.hud.gov:63001/po/i/icbts/collectionsearch.cfm>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice informs the public that the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) has submitted to OMB, for emergency processing, a proposed information collection for the Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program (SHOP).

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected agencies concerning the proposed collection of information to: (1) Evaluate whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (2) evaluate the accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information; (3) enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (4) minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond; including through the use of appropriate automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

SHOP provides funds for eligible non-profit organizations to purchase home sites and develop or improve the infrastructure needed to set the stage for sweat equity and volunteer-based homeownership programs for low-income persons and families. SHOP is authorized by the Housing Opportunity

Program Extension Act of 1996, Section 11, and is subject to other Federal crosscutting requirements. SHOP funds are used for eligible expenses to develop decent, safe and sanitary non-luxury housing for low-income persons and families who otherwise would not become homeowners. Home buyers must be willing to contribute significant amounts of their own sweat equity toward the construction of the housing units. HUD awards grants to national or regional nonprofit public or private organizations or consortia for self-help housing project of at least 30 homes.

This notice also lists the following information:

*Title of Proposal:* Self-Help Homeownership Opportunity Program (SHOP).

*Description of Information Collection:* This is a proposed information collection for reporting requirements under the SHOP. SHOP grants are used to fund acquisition and infrastructure improvements to new self-help housing projects, to be occupied by persons meeting the definition of low-income. Grant recipients are required to report to HUD on a quarterly and annual basis regarding the success of their SHOP programs. Information collected from SHOP recipients includes proposed accomplishments, actual accomplishments, and financial, unit and beneficiary information. The

information collected will be used by HUD to assess the performance of SHOP grant recipients and the success of the program.

*OMB Control Number:* 2577-0157

*Agency Form Numbers:* HUD-424, HUD-424B, HUD-424CB, SF-LLL, HUD-2880, HUD-2990, HUD-2993, HUD-40215, HUD-40216, HUD-40217 and HUD-40218.

*Members of the affected public:* National or regional nonprofit public or private organizations or consortia.

*Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response:*

Paperwork requirement	Frequency of response	Hours per response	Number of respondents	Annual hour burden
HUD-424 .....	1	.25	9	2.25
HUD-424B .....	1	.25	9	2.25
HUD-424CB .....	1	.25	9	18
SF-LLL .....	1	.25	9	2.25
HUD-2880 .....	1	.25	9	2.25
HUD-2990 .....	1	.5	9	4.5
HUD-2993 .....	1	0	9	0
Rating Factor 1 .....	1	4	9	36
Rating Factor 2 .....	1	4	9	36
Rating Factor 3 .....	1	6	9	54
Rating Factor 4 .....	1	3	9	27
Rating Factor 5 .....	1	4	9	36
HUD-40215 .....	4	2.25	16	144
HUD-40216 .....	1	9	16	144
HUD-40217 .....	4	2.25	16	144
HUD-40218 .....	4	2.25	912	8,055
Total Annual Hour Burden .....	(1)	(1)	3,900	8,861

<sup>1</sup> Varies.

**Authority:** The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: January 16, 2004.

**William Eargle, Jr.,**

*Deputy Assistant Secretary for Operations.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4912-N-01]

### Notice of Availability of a Draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement for the World Trade Center Memorial and Redevelopment Plan in the Borough of Manhattan, City of New York, NY

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) gives notice to the public, agencies, and

Indian tribes that a draft Generic Environmental Impact Statement (Draft GEIS) for the World Trade Center Memorial and Redevelopment Plan will be available for review and comment on January 21, 2004. This notice is given on behalf of the Lower Manhattan Development Corporation (LMDC). The LMDC is a subsidiary of the Empire State Development Corporation (a political subdivision and public benefit corporation of the State of New York). As the recipient of HUD Community Development Block Grant funds appropriated for World Trade Center disaster recovery and rebuilding efforts, LMDC acts, pursuant to 42 U.S.C. 5304(g), as the responsible entity for compliance with the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) in accordance with 24 CFR 58.4. LMDC also acts under its authority as lead agency in accordance with the New York State Environmental Quality Review Act. The Draft GEIS will also be prepared in cooperation with the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey.

This notice is given in accordance with the Council on Environmental Quality Regulations at 40 CFR part 1500-1508.

**DATES:** *Comment Due Date:* Comments must be received by 5 p.m. Eastern Standard Time on March 15, 2004. Comments received after 5 p.m. e.s.t. on March 15, 2004, will not be considered. Written comments on the Draft GEIS will be accepted at the following address: Lower Manhattan Development Corporation, Attention: Comments WTC Memorial and Redevelopment Plan/ DGEIS, One Liberty Plaza, 20th Floor, New York, NY 10006.

Comments on the Draft GEIS may also be submitted until 5 p.m. e.s.t. on March 15, 2004, through LMDC's Web site, [http://www.renewnyc.com/plan\\_dev/frm\\_comments.asp](http://www.renewnyc.com/plan_dev/frm_comments.asp), by choosing the category "Environmental/ Plan Review."

**Public Hearing:** To ensure public participation on the Draft GEIS, two public hearings will be held on February 18, 2004, at the Michael Schimmel Center for the Arts at Pace