Immigration Services (USCIS), has submitted the following information collection request for review and clearance in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995. The information collection is published to obtain comments from the public and affected agencies. Comments are encouraged and will be accepted for sixty days until June 4, 2007.

Written comments and suggestions regarding items contained in this notice, and especially with regard to the estimated public burden and associated response time should be directed to the Department of Homeland Security (DHS), USCIS, Chief, Regulatory Management Division, Clearance Office, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., 3rd Floor, Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529. Comments may also be submitted to DHS via facsimile to 202-272-8352, or via e-mail at rfs.regs@dhs.gov. When submitting comments by e-mail, add the OMB Control Number 1615-0092 in the subject box.

Written comments and suggestions from the public and affected agencies concerning the collection of information should address one or more of the

following four points:

(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 agencies estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used;

(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, electronic, mechanical, or other technological collection techniques or other forms of information technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

Overview of This Information Collection

(1) Type of Information Collection: Extension of a currently approved information collection.

(2) Title of the Form/Collection: Memorandum of Understanding to Participate in the Basic Pilot Employment Eligibility Program; Verify Employment Eligibility Status.

(3) Agency form number, if any, and the applicable component of the Department of Homeland Security

sponsoring the collection: No Agency Form Number; File OMB-18. U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services.

(4) Affected public who will be asked or required to respond, as well as a brief abstract: Primary: Business or other for profit. The Basic Pilot Program allows employers to electronically verify the employment eligibility status of newly hired employees.

(5) An estimate of the total number of respondents and the amount of time estimated for an average respondent to respond: 40,000 MOU's at 2.333 (2 hours and 20 minutes) per response; 40,000 employers registering to participate in the program at .166 (10 minutes) per response; 4,000,000 initial queries at .05 (3 minutes) per response; 40,000 secondary queries at .333 (20 minutes) per response.

(6) An estimate of the total public burden (in hours) associated with the collection: 313,279 annual burden

If you have additional comments, suggestions, or need a copy of the information collection instrument, please contact Richard A. Sloan, Chief, Regulatory Management Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, 111 Massachusetts Avenue, NW., 3rd Floor, Suite 3008, Washington, DC 20529; 202-272-8377.

Dated: April 2, 2007.

Stephen Tarragon,

Deputy Chief, Regulatory Management Division, U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, Department of Homeland Security. [FR Doc. E7-6370 Filed 4-4-07; 8:45 am]

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5030-N-30]

Announcement of Funding Awards for Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency Elderly/Persons With **Disabilities Program for Fiscal Year**

AGENCY: Office of Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

ACTION: Announcement of funding awards.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989, this announcement notifies the public of funding decisions made by the Department for funding under the FY 2006 (FY2006) Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the Resident Opportunities and Self-Sufficiency Elderly/Persons with

Disabilities Program funding for FY2006. This announcement contains the consolidated names and addresses of those award recipients selected for funding based on the rating and ranking of all applications and the allocation of funding available for each state.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For questions concerning the FY2006 ROSS Elderly/Persons With Disabilities awards, contact the Office of Public and Indian Housing's Grants Management Center, Director, Iredia Hutchinson, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Washington, DC, telephone (202) 358-0221. For the hearing or speech impaired, these numbers may be accessed via TTY (text telephone) by calling the Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. (Other than the "800" TTY number, these telephone numbers are not toll-free.)

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The authority for the \$10,000,000 in oneyear budget authority for ROSS Elderly/ Persons with Disabilities program coordinators is found in the Departments of Veterans Affairs and Housing and Urban Development, and Independent Agencies Appropriations Act, FY2004 (Pub. L. 108). The allocation of housing assistance budget authority is pursuant to the provisions of 24 CFR 791, subpart D, implementing section 213 (d) of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended.

This program is intended to promote the development of local strategies to coordinate the use of assistance under the ROSS program with public and private resources to enable participating families to achieve economic independence and self-sufficiency. A Public and Indian Housing Program Coordinator assures that program participants are linked to the supportive services they need to achieve selfsufficiency.

The FY2006 awards announced in this Notice were selected for funding in a competition announced in a **Federal Register** NOFA published on March 8, 2006 (71 FR 11913). Applications were scored based on the selection criteria in that Notice and funding selections made based on the rating and ranking of applications within each state.

In accordance with Section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989 (103 Stat. 1987, 42 U.S.C. 3545), the Department is publishing the names, addresses, and amounts of the 33 awards made under the ROSS Elderly/Persons with Disabilities Program competition.

Dated: March 6, 2007. Orlando J. Cabrera,

Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

APPENDIX A—FISCAL YEAR 2006 FUNDING AWARDS FOR THE ROSS ELDERLY/PERSONS WITH DISABILITIES PROGRAM

Mobile Housing Board	151 South Claiborne Street	Mobile	AL	36602	\$350,000
Lutheran Social Ministry of the Southwest.	5049 East Broadway, Suite 102	Tucson	AZ	85711	375,000
The Housing Authority of the County of Los Angeles.	2 Coral Circle	Monterey Park	CA	91755	350,000
Atlanta Regional Commission	40 Courtland Street, Northeast	Atlanta	GA	30303	375,000
Housing and Community Development Corporation of Hawaii.	677 Queen Street, Suite 300	Honolulu	HI	96813	388,522
Chicago Housing Authority	626 West Jackson Street	Chicago	IL	60661	300,000
The Housing Authority of the City of New Albany, Indiana.	Post Office Box 11	New Albany	IN	47150	350,000
City of Wichita Housing Authority	332 North Riverview	Wichita	KS	67203	240,000
Housing Authority of Catlettsburg	210 24th Street	Catlettsburg	KY	41129	110,708
Housing Authority of Corbin	1336 Madison Street	Corbin	KY	40701	207,324
Grand Rapids Housing Commission	1420 Fuller Avenue, Southeast	Grand Rapids	MI	49507	164,734
Housing Authority of St. Louis Park	5005 Minnetonka Boulevard	St. Louis Park	MN	55416	210,627
Natchez Housing Authority	2 Auburn Avenue	Natchez	MS	39120	250,000
Public Housing Authority of Butte	220 Curtis Street	Butte	MT	59701	98,500
Gastonia Housing Authority	P.O. 2398, 340 West Long Avenue	Gastonia	NC	28053–2398	250,000
Dover Housing Authority	62 Whittier Street	Dover	NH	03820–2994	269,362
Garfield Housing Authority	71 Daniel P. Conti Court	Garfield	NJ	7026	350,000
Housing Authority of Gloucester County	100 Pop Moylan Boulevard	Deptford	NJ	8096	76,066
Housing Authority of the Township of Woodbridge.	20 Bunns Lane	Woodbridge	NJ	7095	350,000
Catholic Family Center	87 North Clinton Avenue	Rochester	NY	14604	375,000
Ithaca Housing Authority	800 South Plain Street	Ithaca	NY	14850	333,640
White Plains Housing Authority	223 Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard.	White Plains	NY	10601	225,000
Columbiana Metropolitan Housing Authority.	325 Moore Street	East Liverpool	ОН	43920	350,000
Stark Metropolitan Housing Authority	400 Tuscarawas Street East	Canton	OH	44702-1131	272,487
Mercer County Housing Authority	80 Jefferson Avenue	Sharon	PA	16146	240,000
City of San Marcos Housing Authority	1201 Thorpe Lane	San Marcos	TX	78666	207,311
Housing Authority of the City of El Paso.	5300 Paisano Drive	El Paso	TX	79905	450,000
Bennington Housing Authority	22 Willowbrook Drive	Bennington	VT	05201-1773	250,000
Rutland Housing Authority	5 Tremont Street	Rutland	VT	05701	248,750
Neighborhood House	905 Spruce Street, Suite 200	Seattle	WA	98104	125,000
Neighborhood House	905 Spruce Street	Seattle	WA	98104	250,000
Friends of Housing Corporation	9141 West Lisbon Avenue	Milwaukee	WI	53222	375,000
Wheeling Housing Authority	Box 2089 11 Community Street	Wheeling	WV	26003	239,160
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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-4837-D-62]

Delegation of Authority to Regional Directors To Waive Certain Handbook and Directives Provisions

AGENCY: Office of the Secretary, HUD. **ACTION:** Notice of delegation of authority to regional directors in the HUD regional offices.

SUMMARY: In this notice, the Secretary delegates to the Regional Directors the authority to waive certain HUD handbook provisions and directives and announces the procedures that will

govern these waivers. Specifically, the delegation provides Regional Directors with concurrent authority to waive certain HUD handbook provisions and directives. Currently, the Regional Directors are located in Region I (Boston, MA); Region II (New York, NY); Region III (Philadelphia, PA); Region IV (Atlanta, GA); Region V (Chicago, IL); Region VI (Fort Worth, TX); Region VII (Kansas City, KS); Region VIII (Denver, CO); Region IX (San Francisco, CA); and Region X (Seattle, WA).

Any waiver of HUD handbook provisions and directives made in the field must be in writing and must specify the grounds for granting it. All waiver decisions by a Regional Director in the Office of Field Policy and Management must be jointly concurred in by the appropriate regional program director or Assistant Secretary. In

addition, the Department will make available for public inspection, for at least a 3-year period, a record of all waivers of HUD handbook provisions and directives.

and directives. **EFFECTIVE DATE:** March 30, 2007.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Aaron Santa Anna, Assistant General Counsel for Regulations, Office of Legislation and Regulations, Office of General Counsel, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 10276, Washington, DC 20410; telephone number (202) 708-3055 or Mark Borum, Field Management Officer, Office of Field Policy and Management, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Room 7122, Washington, DC 20410; telephone number (202) 708-1123. (These are not toll-free numbers.) These