DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5388-N-01]

Annual Indexing of Basic Statutory Mortgage Limits for Multifamily **Housing Programs**

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with Section 206A of the National Housing Act, HUD has adjusted the Basic Statutory Mortgage Limits for Multifamily Housing Programs for calendar year 2010.

DATES: Effective Date: January 1, 2010. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Joseph A. Sealey, Director, Technical Support Division, Office of Multifamily Development, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410-8000, telephone (202) 402-2559 (this is not a toll-free number). Hearing- or speech-impaired individuals may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The FHA Downpayment Simplification Act of 2002 (Pub. L. 107-326, approved December 4, 2002) amended the National Housing Act by adding a new Section 206A (12 U.S.C. 1712a). Under Section 206A, the following are affected:

- (1) Section 207(c)(3)(A) (12 U.S.C. 1713(c)(3)(A));
- (2) Section 213(b)(2)(A) (12 U.S.C. 1715e(b)(2)(A));
- (3) Section 220(d)(3)(B)(iii)(I) (12 U.S.C. 1715k(d)(3)(B)(iii)(I));
- (4) Section 221(d)(3)(ii)(I) (12 U.S.C. 1715l(d)(3)(ii)(I));
- (5) Section 221(d)(4)(ii)(I) (12 U.S.C. 1715l(d)(4)(ii)(I));
- (6) Section 231(c)(2)(A) (12 U.S.C. 1715v(c)(2)(A)); and
- (7) Section 234(e)(3)(A) (12 U.S.C. 1715y(e)(3)(A)).

The dollar amounts in these sections, which are collectively referred to as the 'Dollar Amounts,' shall be adjusted annually (commencing in 2004) on the effective date of the Federal Reserve Board's adjustment of the \$400 figure in the Home Ownership and Equity Protection Act of 1994 (HOEPA) (Pub. L. 103-325, approved September 23, 1994). The adjustment of the Dollar Amounts shall be calculated using the percentage change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers (CPI-U) as applied by the Federal Reserve Board for purposes of the

above-described HOEPA adjustment.

HUD has been notified of the percentage change in the CPI–U used for the HOEPA adjustment and the effective date of the HOEPA adjustment. The percentage change in the CPI-U is 0.9926 percent (1.00-.0074) and the effective date of the HOEPA adjustment is January 1, 2010. The Dollar Amounts have been adjusted correspondingly and have an effective date of January 1,

The adjusted Dollar Amounts for calendar year 2010 are shown below:

Basic Statutory Mortgage Limits for Calendar Year 2010

Multifamily Loan Program

- Section 207—Multifamily Housing ■ Section 207 pursuant to Šection
- 223(f)—Purchase or refinance housing
- Section 220—Housing in urban renewal areas

Bedrooms	Non-Elevator	Elevator
0	\$45,088	\$52,027
1	49,945	58,270
2	59,657	71,451
3	73,532	89,488
4+	83,246	101,184

■ Section 213—Cooperatives

Non-Elevator	Elevator
\$48,863	\$52,027
56,338	58,946
67,946	71,677
86,971	92,727
96,891	101,787
	\$48,863 56,338 67,946 86,971

- Section 221(d)(3)—Moderate income housing
- Section 234—Condominium housing

Bedrooms N	on-Elevator	Elevator
0	\$49,860 57,488 69,332 88,747 98,867	\$52,470 60,148 73,140 94,619 103,863

■ Section 221(d)(4)—Moderate income housing

Bedrooms	Non-Elevator	Elevator
0	\$44,871	\$48,470
1	50,935	55,565
2	61,567	67,566
3	77,277	87,408
4+	87,569	95,948

■ Section 231—Housing for the Elderly

Bedrooms	Non-Elevator	Elevator
0	\$42,662 47,692	\$48,470 55,565

Bedrooms	Non-Elevator	Elevator
2	56,951	67,566
3	68,537	87,408
4+	80,576	95,948

■ Section 207—Manufactured Home Parks

Per Space \$20,700

Dated: January 26, 2010.

David H. Stevens,

Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5374-N-05]

Buy American Exceptions Under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian

Housing, HUD. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 (Pub. L. 111–05, approved February 17, 2009) (Recovery Act), and implementing guidance of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), this notice advises that certain exceptions to the Buy American requirement of the Recovery Act have been determined applicable for work using Capital Fund Recovery Formula and Competition (CFRFC) grant funds. Specifically, a waiver was granted to the Housing Authority of Portland, Oregon for the installation of continuous venting range hoods as a part of the modernization of five public housing projects (Demar Downs, Fir Acres, Stark Manor, Townhouse Terrace and Celilo Court).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Dominique G. Blom, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Public Housing Investments, Office of Public Housing Investments, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 4210, Washington, DC 20410-4000, telephone number 202-402-8500 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing- or speech-impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the tollfree Federal Information Relay Service at 800-877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 1605(a) of the Recovery Act provides that none of the funds appropriated or made available by the Recovery Act may be used for a project for the construction, alteration, maintenance, or repair of a public building or public work unless all of the iron, steel, and manufactured goods used in the project are produced in the United States. Subsection 1605(b) provides that the Buy American requirement shall not apply in any case or category in which the head of a Federal department or agency finds that: (1) Applying the Buy American requirement would be inconsistent with the public interest; (2) iron, steel, and the relevant manufactured goods are not produced in the U.S. in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of satisfactory quality; or (3) inclusion of iron, steel, and manufactured goods will increase the cost of the overall project by more than 25 percent. Subsection 1605(c) provides that if the head of a Federal department or agency makes a determination under subsection 1605(b), the head of the department or agency shall publish a detailed written justification in the Federal Register.

In accordance with subsection 1605(c) of the Recovery Act and OMB's implementing guidance published on April 23, 2009 (74 FR 18449), this notice advises the public that, on January 20, 2010, upon request of the Housing Authority of Portland, HUD granted an exception to the applicability of the Buy American requirements with respect to work, using CFRFC grant funds, in connection with the modernization of five public housing projects (Demar Downs, Fir Acres, Stark Manor, Townhouse Terrace and Celilo Court). The exception was granted by HUD on the basis that the relevant manufactured goods are not produced in the U.S. in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of satisfactory quality.

Dated: January 28, 2010.

Sandra B. Henriquez,

Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for 1029–0120

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement. **ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement (OSM) is announcing that the information collection request for its Nomination and Request for Payment Form for OSM Technical Training Courses, has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. The information collection request describes the nature of the information collection and its expected burden and cost.

DATES: Comments must be submitted on or before March 8, 2010, to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be submitted to the Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, Department of the Interior Desk Officer, via e-mail at OIRA_Docket@omb.eop.gov, or by facsimile to (202) 395–5806. Also, please send a copy of your comments to John Trelease, Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement, 1951 Constitution Ave., NW., Room 202–SIB, Washington, DC 20240, or electronically to jtrelease@osmre.gov. Please reference 1029–0120 in your correspondence.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To receive a copy of the information collection request, contact John Trelease at (202) 208–2783. You may also contact Mr. Trelease by e-mail at jtrelease@osmre.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) regulations at 5 CFR 1320, which implement provisions of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (Pub. L. 104–13), require that interested members of the public and affected agencies have an opportunity to comment on information collection and recordkeeping activities [see 5 CFR 1320.8(d)]. OSM has submitted a request to OMB to renew its approval of the collection of information found in its Nomination and Request for Payment Form for OSM Technical Training Courses. OSM is requesting a 3-year term of approval for this collection. This collection is required to obtain or retain a benefit.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The OMB control number for this collection of information is 1029–0120.

As required under 5 CFR 1320.8(d), a **Federal Register** notice soliciting comments on this collection of information was published on October 27, 2009 (74 FR 55255). No comments were received. This notice provides the public with an additional 30 days in which to comment on the following information collection activity:

Title: Nomination and Request for Payment Form for OSM Technical Training Courses.

OMB Control Number: 1029–0120. Summary: The information is used to identify and evaluate the training courses requested by students to enhance their job performance, to calculate the number of classes and instructors needed to complete OSM's technical training mission, and to estimate costs to the training program.

Bureau Form Numbers: OSM 105. Frequency of Collection: On occasion. Description of Respondents: State and Tribal regulatory and reclamation employees and industry personnel.

Total Annual Responses: 879 responses.

Total Annual Burden Hours: 73 hours.

Send comments on the need for the collection of information for the performance of the functions of the agency; the accuracy of the agency's burden estimates; ways to enhance the quality, utility and clarity of the information collection; and ways to minimize the information collection burden on respondents, such as use of automated means of collection of the information, to the offices listed in the ADDRESSES section. Please refer to OMB control number 1029–0120 in all correspondence.

Before including your address, phone number, e-mail address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you can ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

Dated: January 27, 2010.

John R. Craynon,

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement

Notice of Proposed Information Collection for 1029–0080

AGENCY: Office of Surface Mining Reclamation and Enforcement. **ACTION:** Notice and request for comments.

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SUMMARY: In compliance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the