

for the separate portions of each committee meeting are listed above.

The open public hearing portion of the meeting(s) shall be at least 1 hour long unless public participation does not last that long. It is emphasized, however, that the 1 hour time limit for an open public hearing represents a minimum rather than a maximum time for public participation, and an open public hearing may last for whatever longer period the committee chairperson determines will facilitate the committee's work.

Public hearings are subject to FDA's guideline (subpart C of 21 CFR part 10) concerning the policy and procedures for electronic media coverage of FDA's public administrative proceedings, including hearings before public advisory committees under 21 CFR part 14. Under 21 CFR 10.205, representatives of the electronic media may be permitted, subject to certain limitations, to videotape, film, or otherwise record FDA's public administrative proceedings, including presentations by participants.

Meetings of advisory committees shall be conducted, insofar as is practical, in accordance with the agenda published in this **Federal Register** notice. Changes in the agenda will be announced at the beginning of the open portion of a meeting.

Any interested person who wishes to be assured of the right to make an oral presentation at the open public hearing portion of a meeting shall inform the contact person listed above, either orally or in writing, prior to the meeting. Any person attending the hearing who does not in advance of the meeting request an opportunity to speak will be allowed to make an oral presentation at the hearing's conclusion, if time permits, at the chairperson's discretion.

The agenda, the questions to be addressed by the committee, and a current list of committee members will be available at the meeting location on the day of the meeting.

Transcripts of the open portion of the meeting may be requested in writing from the Freedom of Information Office (HFI-35), Food and Drug Administration, 5600 Fishers Lane, rm. 12A-16, Rockville, MD 20857, approximately 15 working days after the meeting, at a cost of 10 cents per page. The transcript may be viewed at the Dockets Management Branch (HFA-305), Food and Drug Administration, 12420 Parklawn Dr., rm. 1-23, Rockville, MD 20857, approximately 15 working days after the meeting, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., Monday through Friday. Summary minutes of the open portion of the meeting may be

requested in writing from the Freedom of Information Office (address above) beginning approximately 90 days after the meeting.

The Commissioner has determined for the reasons stated that those portions of the advisory committee meetings so designated in this notice shall be closed. The Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA) (5 U.S.C. app. 2, 10(d)), permits such closed advisory committee meetings in certain circumstances. Those portions of a meeting designated as closed, however, shall be closed for the shortest possible time, consistent with the intent of the cited statutes.

The FACA, as amended, provides that a portion of a meeting may be closed where the matter for discussion involves a trade secret; commercial or financial information that is privileged or confidential; information of a personal nature, disclosure of which would be a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy; investigatory files compiled for law enforcement purposes; information the premature disclosure of which would be likely to significantly frustrate implementation of a proposed agency action; and information in certain other instances not generally relevant to FDA matters.

Examples of portions of FDA advisory committee meetings that ordinarily may be closed, where necessary and in accordance with FACA criteria, include the review, discussion, and evaluation of drafts of regulations or guidelines or similar preexisting internal agency documents, but only if their premature disclosure is likely to significantly frustrate implementation of proposed agency action; review of trade secrets and confidential commercial or financial information submitted to the agency; consideration of matters involving investigatory files compiled for law enforcement purposes; and review of matters, such as personnel records or individual patient records, where disclosure would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of personal privacy.

Examples of portions of FDA advisory committee meetings that ordinarily shall not be closed include the review, discussion, and evaluation of general preclinical and clinical test protocols and procedures for a class of drugs or devices; consideration of labeling requirements for a class of marketed drugs or devices; review of data and information on specific investigational or marketed drugs and devices that have previously been made public; presentation of any other data or information that is not exempt from public disclosure pursuant to the FACA, as amended; and, deliberation to

formulate advice and recommendations to the agency on matters that do not independently justify closing.

This notice is issued under section 10(a)(1) and (a)(2) of the Federal Advisory Committee Act (5 U.S.C. app. 2), and FDA's regulations (21 CFR part 14) on advisory committees.

Dated: March 18, 1997.

**Michael A. Friedman,**

*Deputy Commissioner for Operations.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. RF-4120-N-05]

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comments

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

**DATES:** Comments due May 27, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Mildred M. Hamman, Reports Liaison Officer, Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, S.W., Room 4238, Washington, D.C. 20410-5000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mildred M. Hamman, (202) 708-3642, extension 4128, for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents. (This is not a toll-free number).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

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.

This Notice also lists the following information:

**Title of Proposal:** Standards, Viability, and Removal Plan for Conversion of Certain Public Housing to Tenant-Based Section 8 Vouchers and Certificates.

**OMB Control Number:** 2577-0210.

**Description of the need for the information and proposed use:** To implement Section 202 of the Omnibus Consolidated Rescissions and Appropriations Act of 1996, (Pub. L. 104-134, approved April 26, 1996), Public Housing Agencies (PHAs) will identify certain distressed public housing developments that will be required to be converted to that their households in occupancy can be given tenant-based assistance or relocated. PHAs will be required to submit a Viability Plan, tenant-based assistance plan and a plan to remove units from the public housing inventory to HUD. PHAs will conduct an annual review and certify that their Comprehensive Plan Annual Updates that they have reviewed updated information regarding the applicability of the standards on their developments. HUD will review and evaluate the information to ensure compliance with the statutory criteria (standards), that plans have been developed in consultation with the residents, timeframes met and Section 202 is implemented.

**Member of affected public:** State or Local Government (PHAs).

**Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response:** 50 respondents, one-time response, nine hours average per response, 21,645 total reporting burden hours.

**Status of the proposed information collection:** Reinstatement.

**Authority:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

**Dated:** March 18, 1997.

**Michael B. Janis,**  
General Deputy, Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

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[Docket No. FR-4131-N-02]

### Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comments

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice.

**SUMMARY:** The proposed information collection requirement described below will be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal.

**DATES:** Comments due: May 27, 1997.

**ADDRESSES:** Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments should refer to the proposal by name and/or OMB Control Number and should be sent to: Mildred M. Hamman, Reports Liaison Officer, Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, S.W., Room 4238, Washington, D.C. 20410-5000.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mildred M. Hamman, (202) 708-3642, extension 4128, for copies of the proposed forms and other available documents. (This is not a toll-free number.)

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Department will submit the proposed information collection to OMB for review, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended).

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.

This Notice also lists the following information:

**Title of Proposal:** Public Housing Agencies Plan for Exception Request, Site-Based Waiting Lists.

**OMB Control Number:** 2577-0214.

**Description of the need for the information and proposed use:** Each Public Housing Agency (PHA) may request an exception to establish site-based waiting lists by submitting its plan and the rationale for it to the local HUD office. The plan must include all of the PHA's general occupancy developments and/or all of the PHA's mixed-population and elderly-designated developments. The request must also include: Accurate statistics for the Metropolitan Statistical Area (MSA) and the PHA's jurisdiction; each development's name, number, occupancy type and number of units, date site was developed, racial composition by bedroom size and waiting list composition. For the Section 8 program: the number of certificates and vouchers currently in use by race and bedroom size; and the length and composition of the waiting list by race and bedroom size. PHA's must provide current and proposed public housing tenant selection and assignment procedures along with any Consent Decrees, Voluntary Compliance Agreements, or other documentation related to current occupancy problems along with measures being taken to correct such problems. HUD needs the information to assure statutory and regulatory compliance and to approve the PHA's plan for exception to establish site-based waiting lists.

**Agency Form Numbers, if applicable:** None.

**Members of affected public:** PHAs.

**Estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of response, and hours of response:** An average 52 respondents submit the plan one-time, for a total burden of 3,744 hours.

**Status of the proposed information collection:** Extension.

**Authority:** Section 3506 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. Chapter 35, as amended.

**Dated:** March 18, 1997.

**Michael B. Janis,**  
General Deputy, Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

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