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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5831-N-14]

30-Day Notice of Proposed Information Collection:

Inspector Candidate Assessment Questionnaire

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Information Officer, HUD.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: HUD has submitted the proposed information collection requirement described below to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review, in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act. The purpose of this notice is to allow for an additional 30 days of public comment.

DATES: Comments Due Date: **[INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER.]**

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: HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; fax: 202-395-5806. Email: OIRA_Submission@omb.eop.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Colette Pollard, Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20410; e-mail at Colette.Pollard@hud.gov or telephone 202-402-3400. Persons

with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Pollard.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This notice informs the public that HUD has submitted to OMB a request for approval of the information collection described in section A.

The **Federal Register** notice that solicited public comment on the information collection for a period of 60 days was published on December 31, 2014 at 79 FR 78899.

A. Overview of Information Collection

Title of Information Collection: Inspector Candidate Assessment Questionnaire.

OMB Approval Number: 2577-0243.

Type of Request: : Revision of a currently approved collection.

Form Number: Form HUD 50002A and Form HUD 50002B - HFA

Description of the need for the information and proposed use: To meet the requirements of the Uniform Physical Condition Standards (UPCS), the Physical Condition of Multifamily Properties and the Public Housing Assessment System (PHAS) rules, the Department conducts physical condition inspections of approximately 14,000 multifamily and public housing properties annually. To conduct these inspections, HUD uses contract inspectors that are trained and certified in the Uniform Physical Condition Standards protocol by HUD. Individuals who wish to be trained and certified by HUD are requested to electronically submit the questionnaire via the Internet. The questionnaire provides HUD with basic knowledge of an individual's inspection skills and abilities. As part of aligning REAC inspections, state Housing Finance Agencies may also fill out the form for informational purposes only.

Respondents: Applicants to the UPCS inspector certification program and state HFA staff.

Estimated Number of Respondents: 605.

Estimated Number of Responses: 605.

Frequency of Response: To apply to UPCS training.

Average Hours per Response: 15 to 20 minutes depending on the respondent.

Total Estimated Burdens: 192 hours.

B. Solicitation of Public Comment

This notice is soliciting comments from members of the public and affected parties concerning the collection of information described in section A on the following:

- (1) 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) The accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information;
- (3) Ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and
- (4) Ways to 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.

HUD encourages interested parties to submit comment in response to these questions.

C. Authority: Section 3507 of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35.

Dated: February 27, 2015.

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