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John J. Dorgan- Director
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U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development
575 N. Pennsylvania Street, Suite 655

Via: John.Dorgan@hud.gov

Re: Suspensions and Waivers to Facilitate Use of HOME-Assisted TBRA for Emergency and Short-term Assistance in Response to COVID-19 Pandemic

Dear Mr. Dorgan:

The Indiana Housing and Community Development Authority (“IHCDA”), as a HOME participating jurisdiction, has reviewed the HUD memorandum dated April 10, 2020 providing statutory and regulatory relief in the form of various suspensions and/or waivers under the HOME TBRA program. Per that memorandum, a PJ “must send written notification via e-mail to the CPD Division in its local HUD Field Office before it implements the waiver or suspension. This written notification must identify which suspensions and/or waivers the PJ plans to use.”

Please accept this letter as IHCDA’s formal written notification. Rather than requesting all suspensions and/or waivers, IHCDA has carefully analyzed the HUD memorandum and is only requesting those suspensions and/or waivers that we believe are necessary and beneficial to the agency and our program partners.

IHCDA plans to utilize the following suspensions and/or waivers:

- IHCDA will utilize all regulatory waivers listed under Part II of the memorandum
 - Citizen Participation Reasonable Notice and Opportunity to Comment
 - Rent Reasonableness
 - Eligible Tenant-based Rental Assistance Costs and Maximum TBRA Subsidy
 - Term of Rental Assistance Contract
 - Tenant Protections – Lease

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- Housing Quality Standards
- Annual Inspection of Units Occupied by Recipients of HOME TBRA
- Income Determinations

IHCDA does not believe it will need to utilize any of the other suspensions and/or waivers authorized under the memorandum. However, IHCDA respectfully requests the ability to request such suspensions and/or waivers in the future if needed. If IHCDA determines another suspension and/or waiver is needed, it will follow this process of notifying HUD.

Thank you for authorizing these critical program suspensions and waivers which will allow us to better administer the HOME TBRA program and serve HOME-eligible households. We appreciate HUD's leadership in this matter and our ongoing strong relationship with the HUD Field Office.

Please contact me via mrayburn@ihcda.in.gov or 317-233-9564 if you have any questions about this correspondence.

Regards,



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