concluded, the system would be shut down and removed.

The USCG proposes to use HF and UHF SONAR technology from mobile platforms nationwide. Mobile platforms include ships, boats, remotely operated vehicles (ROVs), and autonomous underwater vehicles (AUVs). Additionally, SONAR could be towed by a boat (*i.e.,* a torpedo-shaped "towfish"), lowered from a boat on a pole, or temporarily fixed to a pier or a pile. Impacts on the seafloor from ROV and AUV operations would not be significant. ROVs would be used pierside or at a location appropriate for conducting vessel inspections. An appropriate location for inspection would be at a water depth that would preclude seafloor disturbance. As such, ROVs and AUVs would usually be suspended in the water column and would rarely contact the seafloor. Typically, ROVs and AUVs would be used in open, navigable waterways or safe anchorages. However, an ROV or AUV might contact the seafloor if there is a suspected threat on the seafloor that needs to be investigated; such contact would be short-term and transient in nature.

Although selected HF and UHF SONAR systems could be employed by any USCG unit to accomplish a mission, the USCG does not intend to permanently equip or outfit every USCG unit with SONAR capability. The HF and UHF SONAR systems selected could be powered using existing USCG power supplies such as public electrical distribution grids, shipboard electrical power, or portable generators (e.g., Honda 1,000-watt generator).

Scope of the Programmatic Environmental Assessment

The scope of the PEA focuses on potential impacts associated with the anticipated use of the HF and UHF SONAR systems to accomplish USCG mission activities. The PEA addresses potential impacts on living marine resources based on these operating criteria. Supplemental, follow-on NEPA documentation or additional consultations with appropriate resource authorities would be required if site-specific, non-mobile operating scenarios or newly developed technologies fall outside of the scope of this assessment. The scope of the PEA encompasses geographic locations where the systems are expected to operate.

The SONAR technology systems would be available for use by the USCG within all areas under USCG jurisdiction along the U.S. continental coastline, the Great Lakes, Hawaii, Alaska, United States territories, and inland operating areas. The inland operating areas would include existing harbor infrastructure and adjacent inland waters, including the St. Lawrence Seaway, the Great Lakes, and western and inland river systems. The offshore operating areas would include areas up to 12 nautical miles offshore and most areas shoreward. Normal locations for deployments would include the ports and waterways of the nation's top tiered militarily and economically significant ports. Emergency use of HF and UHF SONAR technology during times of extreme weather, such as hurricanes, could be required for onshore areas that become inundated by floodwater.

Public input is important to the preparation of the Final PEA. Your concerns and comments regarding the nationwide use of HF and UHF active SONAR technology and the possible environmental impacts are important to the USCG, and we encourage you to share them with us.

Authority: This notice is issued under authority of 42 U.S.C. 4321, *et seq.,* and 40 CFR 1508.22.

Dated: December 14, 2010.

Michael Mohn,

Captain, U.S. Coast Guard, Chief, Office of Terrorism and Defense Operations.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–5376–N–124]

Emergency Comment Request; Indian Housing Block Grants (IHBG) Program Reporting; Notice of Submission of Proposed Information Collection to OMB; Notice of Proposed Information Collection for Public Comment

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Information Officer.

ACTION: Notice of proposed information collection.

SUMMARY: The proposed information collection requirement described below has been submitted to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for emergency review and approval, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act. The Department is soliciting public comments on the subject proposal. This is a correction from 14 days to 30 days.

DATES: *Comments Due Date:* January 26, 2011.

ADDRESSES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments regarding this proposal. Comments must be received within thirty (30) days from the date of this Notice. Comments should refer to the proposal by name or OMB approval number (2577–0218) and should be sent to: Ross A. Rutledge, HUD Desk Officer, Office of Management and Budget, New Executive Office Building, Washington, DC 20503; *e-mail: Ross.A.Rutledge@omb.eop.gov*; *Fax:* 202–395–3086.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Colette Pollard, Departmental Reports Management Officer, QDAM, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20410; e-mail *Colette.Pollard@HUD.gov;* telephone (202) 402–3400. This is not a toll-free number. Copies of available documents submitted to OMB may be obtained from Ms. Pollard.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This request for emergency processing is essential in order to implement the statutory changes to NAHASDA for fiscal year 2012. A standard PRA review would delay implementation of the revised IHP/APR until fiscal year 2013. The agency cannot reasonably comply with the normal clearance procedures under this part because the statutory changes accelerate the submission of the IHP. With implementation of the statutory changes, the IHP is due 75 days prior to the beginning of the grantee's fiscal year. For grantees with a fiscal year beginning October 1, 2011, the revised IHP will be due July 16, 2011, rather than July 1, 2012. The emergency clearance processing of the revised PRA is needed in order to provide IHBG recipients with sufficient time to complete the IHP prior to submission and provide training to all IHBG recipients on the revised form. Therefore, the use of the normal clearance procedures is reasonably likely to prevent or disrupt the collection of information and is reasonably likely to cause a statutory deadline to be missed.

This Notice also lists the following information:

Title of Proposal: Indian Housing Block Grants (IHBG) Program Reporting.

Description of Information Collection: Recipients of Indian Housing Block Grant (IHBG) funds provide plans for low-income housing programs in their communities and submit quarterly reports on funds drawn. Recipients may submit information to correct and/or challenge data used in annual housing assistance formula allocations. Additional requirements have been added: Recipients may purchase insurance from a nonprofit insurance

entity approved by HUD. These entities must submit annual audit and actuarial reviews to HUD annually.

OMB Control Number: 2577–0218.

Agency Form Numbers: Form 52735 and 52735–AS Combined, HUD–272–I, HUD–4117, HUD–4119.

Members of Affected Public: State, Local, and Tribal.

Estimation of the total numbers of hours needed to prepare the information collection including number of respondents, frequency of responses, and hours of response: An estimation of the total number of hours needed to prepare the information collection is 366, the estimated number of respondents is 144, the frequency response is one time, and the estimated number of hours per response is 366.

Authority: The Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. chapter 35, as amended.

Dated: December 20, 2010.

Colette Pollard,

Departmental Reports Management Officer, Office of the Chief Information Officer.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–5374–N–23]

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, an exception was granted to the Chicago Housing Authority for the purchase and installation of through-the-wall air conditioners, floor-mounted water closets, and low voltage electrical components at the Dearborn Homes project.

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 4130, 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 toll-free 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. Section 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. Section 1605(c) provides that if the head of a Federal department or agency makes a determination pursuant to section 1605(b), the head of the department or agency shall publish a detailed written justification in the **Federal Register**.

In accordance with section 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 November 24, 2010, upon request of the Chicago Housing Authority, HUD granted an exception to applicability of the Buy American requirements with respect to work, using CFRFC grant funds, in connection with the Dearborn project. The exception was granted by HUD on the basis that the relevant manufactured goods (through-the-wall air conditioners, floor-mounted water closets, and low voltage electrical components) are not produced in the U.S. in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of satisfactory quality.

Dated: December 17, 2010.

Sandra B. Henriquez,

Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.

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DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR–5436–N–02]

Mortgagee Review Board: Administrative Actions

AGENCY: Office of the Assistant Secretary for Housing—Federal Housing Commissioner, Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 202(c) of the National Housing Act, this notice advises of the cause and description of administrative actions taken by HUD's Mortgagee Review Board against HUD-approved mortgagees.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy A. Murray, Secretary to the Mortgagee Review Board, 451 Seventh Street SW., Room B–133/3150, Washington, DC 20410–8000; telephone (202) 708–2224. A Telecommunications Device for Hearing- and Speech-Impaired Individuals (TTY) is available at (800) 877–8339 (Federal Information Relay Service).

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Section 202(c)(5) of the National Housing Act (added by Section 142 of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989, Public Law 101–235, approved December 15, 1989), requires that HUD "publish a description of and the cause for administrative action against a HUD-approved mortgagee" by the Department's Mortgagee Review Board (Board). In compliance with the requirements of Section 202(c)(5), this notice advises of actions that have been taken by the Board from April 15, 2010 to July 2, 2010.

I. Settlement Agreements, Civil Money Penalties, Withdrawals of FHA Approval, Suspensions, Probations, Reprimands, and Administrative Payments

1. Alethes, LLC, Lakeway, TX [Docket No. 09–9891–MR]

Action: On April 15, 2010, the Board approved an administrative action to immediately withdraw Alethes, LLC's (Alethes) FHA approval for a period of three years and impose a $7,500 civil money penalty.

Cause: The Board took this action based on the following violations of HUD/FHA requirements alleged by HUD: Alethes originated an FHA mortgage after termination of its origination approval agreement; Alethes failed to comply with HUD's annual recertification requirements by failing to