

Association (GNMA), as well as other departmental staff, with respect to financial management policies, standards, and responsibilities;

10. To process and sign Apportionments/Reapportionments Schedules and Advice of Allotments in accordance with applicable OMB Circulars;

11. Where not inconsistent with regulations pertaining to proceedings before administrative judges, to establish and maintain policies and procedures for claims collection and coordinate claims collection activities in the field offices and at Headquarters;

12. To appoint Disbursement and Certifying Officers to approve the disbursal of agency funds;

13. To serve as advisor to the Secretary and to other departmental officials in matters relating to budget formulation and execution, and to advise and assist program offices in their budgetary responsibilities and appraise the effectiveness of these activities; advise on budget and fiscal implications of policy and legislative proposals; and administer the issuance of staff ceilings and monitor staff usage in the Department;

14. To continue to ensure that HUD offices have an adequate system of funds control, including working with such offices to strengthen such controls to prevent or mitigate any potential Anti-deficiency Act (31 U.S.C. 1341 *et seq.*) violations; and

15. To implement and administer the Emergency Homeowners' Loan Program within the Emergency Homeowners' Relief Act, as amended (12 U.S.C. 2701 *et seq.*), in cooperation with HUD's Office of Policy Development and Research and HUD's Office of Housing.

The Secretary may revoke any discretionary authority authorized herein, in whole or part, at any time.

#### **Section B. Authority Excepted**

The authority delegated in this document does not include the authority to sue and be sued.

#### **Section C. Authority To Redelegate**

The Chief Financial Officer is authorized to retain or redelegate authorities delegated under Section A above to the Deputy Chief Financial Officer and/or the Assistant Chief Financial Officers in the Office of the Chief Financial Officer, with the exception of the authority to issue and waive regulations.

#### **Section D. Authority Superseded**

This delegation supersedes all prior delegations of authority from the Secretary to the Chief Financial Officer.

**Authority:** Section 7(d) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Act (42 U.S.C. 3535(d)).

Dated: August 19, 2011.

**Shaun Donovan,**  
*Secretary.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-5561-D-03]

### **Designation by the Chief Procurement Officer of Contracting Officers**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of designation.

**SUMMARY:** In this notice, the Chief Procurement Officer (CPO) designates specified procurement positions as contracting officers.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* August 19, 2011.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Elie F. Stowe, Assistant Chief Procurement Officer for Policy and Systems, Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 5276, Washington, DC 20410-3000, telephone number 202-708-0294 (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 Relay Service at 800-877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice includes the designation of the Deputy Chief Procurement Officer, the Assistant Chief Procurement Officer for Program Operations, the Assistant Chief Procurement Officer for Support Operations, and the Assistant Chief Procurement Officer for Field Operations as contracting officers.

#### **Section A. Designation**

The CPO hereby designates the Deputy Chief Procurement Officer, the Assistant Chief Procurement Officer for Program Operations, the Assistant Chief Procurement Officer for Support Operations, and the Assistant Chief Procurement Officer for Field Operations as contracting officers; any limitation(s) on the use of those appointments shall be set forth within individual Certificate(s) of Appointment.

#### **Section B. No Authority To Further Redesignate**

The authority conveyed in the designations in Section A does not include the authority to further

redesignate contracting officers by individuals holding the named positions. The CPO is the sole official authorized to appoint contracting officers within the Department.

#### **Section C. Authority Superseded**

This designation supersedes all previous designations from the CPO concerning specified procurement positions as contracting officers.

**Authority:** 41 U.S.C. 414; Section 7(d) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Act (42 U.S.C. 3535(d)).

Dated: August 19, 2011.

**Jemine A. Bryon,**  
*Chief Procurement Officer.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-5561-D-01]

### **Designation of Chief Acquisition Officer and Senior Procurement Executive and Delegation of Procurement Authority**

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of designation of Chief Acquisition Officer and Senior Procurement Executive and delegation of procurement authority.

**SUMMARY:** In this notice, the Secretary of HUD designates the Deputy Secretary as the Chief Acquisition Officer, the Chief Procurement Officer as the Senior Procurement Executive, and delegates all procurement authority to the Chief Procurement Officer.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* August 19, 2011.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Elie F. Stowe, Assistant Chief Procurement Officer for Policy and Systems, Office of the Chief Procurement Officer, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 5276, Washington, DC 20410-3000, telephone number 202-708-0294 (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 Relay Service at 800-877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This notice includes the Department's designations of the Chief Acquisition Officer and Senior Procurement Executive, and delegations of procurement authority to the Chief Procurement Officer. Previously, the delegations and redelegations were set forth in separate **Federal Register** notices. In addition, this notice revises the current delegations to clarify that

the Chief Procurement Officer may redelegate authority for simplified acquisitions using the Government Purchase Card. Under prior notices, the Chief Procurement Officer had redelegated to the Department's Commercial Credit Card Program Administrator authority for credit card purchases within the micro-purchase threshold established in Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) part 13 and authority to further redelegate such authority to credit card holders. This notice removes the Commercial Credit Card Program Administrator's authority to further redelegate this authority.

Accordingly, the Secretary hereby revokes, designates, and delegates as follows:

#### **Section A. Designation of Chief Acquisition Officer**

1. The Deputy Secretary is designated to serve as the Department's Chief Acquisition Officer. Functions of the Chief Acquisition Officer are outlined at 41 U.S.C. 414. If the Deputy Secretary position is vacant, the Senior Procurement Executive will perform all of the duties and functions of the Chief Acquisition Officer.

2. The authority of the Chief Acquisition Officer includes the authority to redelegate the duties and functions of the Chief Acquisition Officer.

#### **Section B. Designation of Senior Procurement Executive**

1. The Chief Procurement Officer is designated as the Department's Senior Procurement Executive.

2. The Senior Procurement Executive shall report directly to the Deputy Secretary without intervening authority for all procurement-related matters.

3. The authority of the Senior Procurement Executive includes the authority to redelegate the duties and functions of the Senior Procurement Executive.

#### **Section C. Delegation of Authority to Chief Procurement Officer**

1. The Chief Procurement Officer is delegated the authority to exercise all duties, responsibilities, and powers of the Secretary with respect to departmental procurement activities. The authority delegated to the Chief Procurement Officer includes the following duties, responsibilities, and powers:

a. Authority to enter into, administer, and/or terminate all procurement contracts (as well as interagency agreements entered into under the authority of the Economy Act), for property and services required by the

Department, and make related determinations and findings;

b. Authority to order the sanctions of debarment, suspension, and/or limited denial of participation pursuant to 48 CFR 2409.7001 and 2 CFR part 2424;

c. Responsibility for procurement program development, including:

(1) Implementation of procurement initiatives, best practices, and reforms;

(2) In coordination with the Office of Federal Procurement Policy, determination of specific areas where governmentwide performance standards should be established and applied, and development of governmentwide procurement policies, regulations, and standards;

(3) Establishment and maintenance of an evaluation program for all procurement activities within the Department;

(4) Development of programs to enhance the professionalism of the Department's procurement workforce, including the establishment of educational, training, and experience requirements for procurement personnel; and

(5) Development of all departmental procurement policy, regulations, and procedures.

2. The Chief Procurement Officer is authorized to issue rules and regulations as may be necessary to carry out the authority delegated under this Section C.

3. The Chief Procurement Officer may redelegate:

a. The procurement authority in C.1.a herein to qualified personnel within the Office of the Chief Procurement Officer.

b. Limited purchasing authority to other qualified departmental employees, as follows:

(1) Simplified acquisitions (FAR Part 13), including the Government Purchase Card purchases; and

(2) Issuance of delivery and task orders under contracts established by other Government sources in accordance with FAR Part 8, or under prepriced indefinite-delivery contracts established by the Department.

4. All redelegations of procurement authority shall be made by way of contracting officer Certificates of Appointment that clearly define the limits of the delegated authority.

#### **Section D. No Authority to Redelegate**

The authorities in Section C that may be redelegated from the Chief Procurement Officer do not include the authority to further redelegate.

#### **Section E. Authority Superseded**

This designation and delegation of authority supersedes all previous

designations concerning the Chief Acquisition Officer and Senior Procurement Executive, and supersedes all previous delegations of authority to the Chief Procurement Officer.

**Authority:** 41 U.S.C. 414; Section 7(d) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Act (42 U.S.C. 3535(d)).

Dated: August 19, 2011.

**Shaun Donovan,**

*Secretary.*

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## **DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT**

[Docket No. FR-5538-D-02]

### **Order of Succession for Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA)**

**AGENCY:** Office of the President of the Government National Mortgage Association, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of Order of Succession.

**SUMMARY:** In this notice, the President of the Government National Mortgage Association (GNMA) designates the Order of Succession for GNMA. This Order of Succession supersedes all prior Orders of Succession for GNMA.

**DATES:** *Effective Date:* August 19, 2011.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Gregory A. Keith, Senior Vice President, Chief Risk Officer, Government National Mortgage Association, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Potomac Center South, 550 12th Street, SW., 3rd Floor, Washington, DC 20024, telephone number 202-475-4918 (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 Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The President of GNMA hereby issues this Order of Succession pursuant to the bylaws of GNMA, which authorize the President to designate the sequence in which other officers of GNMA shall act. The officers designated below shall perform the duties and exercise the power and authority of the President when the President is absent, or unable to act, or when there is a vacancy in the Office of the President of GNMA. This Order of Succession is subject to the provisions of the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998 (5 U.S.C. 3345-3349d) and the bylaws of the GNMA, 24 CFR part 310. Accordingly, the President of GNMA designates the following Order of Succession: