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**David V. Aguilar,**

*Acting Commissioner, U.S. Customs and Border Protection.*

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### DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5374-N-41]

#### 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 (Public Law 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 Hammond Housing Authority for the purchase and installation of Variable Refrigerant Flow (VRF) multi-split air conditioners and heat pumps for the Hubert H. Humphrey Hi-Rise project.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Donald J. LaVoy, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Office of Field Operations, Office of Public and Indian Housing, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street, SW., Room 4112, Washington, DC 20410-4000, telephone number 202-402-8500 (this is not a toll-free number); or Dominique G. Blom, Deputy Assistant Secretary for 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 May 14, 2012, upon request of the Hammond 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 Hubert H. Humphrey Hi-Rise project. The exception was granted by HUD on the basis that the relevant manufactured goods (VRF multi-split air conditioners and heat pumps) are not produced in the U.S. in sufficient and reasonably available quantities or of satisfactory quality.

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**Sandra B. Henriquez,**

*Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing.*

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### DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5600-FA-26]

#### Announcement of Funding Awards for the McKinney-Vento HMIS Technical Assistance (HMIS TA) Fiscal Year 2012

**AGENCY:** Office of the Assistant Secretary for Community Planning and Development, HUD.

**ACTION:** Announcement of funding awards.

**SUMMARY:** In accordance with section 102(a)(4)(C) of the Department of Housing and Urban Development Reform Act of 1989, this announcement notifies the public of funding decisions made by the Department in a competition for funding under the Notice of Funding Availability (NOFA) for the McKinney-Vento HMIS Technical Assistance program. This announcement contains the names of the awardees and amounts of the awards made available by HUD.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Julie Hovden, Director, Technical Assistance Division, Office of Community Planning and Development, 451 Seventh Street SW., Room 7218, Washington, DC 20410-7000; telephone 202-402-4496 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with speech or hearing impairments may access this telephone number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Information Relay Service during working hours at 800-877-8339. For general information on this and other HUD programs, visit HUD's Homelessness Resource Exchange at