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Important Information for Submitting RAD Requests and Technical Waivers

As the RAD application, transaction and closing volume picks up, we are receiving a large number of application, transaction and closing-related questions, issues, and specific waiver requests from PHAs and their partners, advisers and counsel. So that the Department can expeditiously and efficiently respond to all such requests, please follow the procedures outlined below.

For application-related and general questions not related to a specific CHAP award, please continue to direct all questions to <u>RAD@HUD.gov</u>. Generally, these questions can be addressed within a day or two.

For transaction-related questions or issues related to active CHAP awards and/or closings, including specific waiver requests, please direct all such questions and requests through your assigned Transaction Manager. Please do not send such requests to the Office of Public and Indian Housing, the Office of General Counsel, the Office of the Secretary or other departmental offices, as this will only delay the proper review of such requests. Upon discussion with your Transaction Manager, if a specific waiver request is warranted, he/she will advise you on the proper way to prepare and submit such a request.

Complex transactional issues and any waiver requests will be reviewed among your Transaction Manager, the supervising Team Lead and with Margaret Salazar, Associate Deputy Assistant Secretary for the Office of Affordable Housing Preservation (OAHP), which is the home office of the RAD program, and directed to the appropriate assistant secretary if further review and approval is indicated.

We recognize many PHAs and owners are eager to move transactions forward and wish to expedite waiver requests. Following this process will allow HUD to consider and take appropriate action in a timely manner.

Any questions about this process can be directed to the RAD team at RAD@hud.gov.

Updated RPCA Scope of Work

The RAD Physical Needs Assessment Statement of Work (RPCASOW) has been modified. *(See attachment)* The Integrated Pest Management (IPM) portion of the SOW has been deleted responding to applicant cost concerns and the fact that an IPM program is not required in ongoing property operation after conversion. The new SOW has been posted to the RAD Tools page on the web. RPCAs received after the date of this RAD Blast will no longer be considered incomplete without the IPM section.

How should contractors and applicants address RPCAs that are in process where an IPM has been commissioned or completed?

The IPM report may be included or excluded at the applicant's discretion. RAD will not review the IPM report but the report may contain information useful to the applicant in addressing pest issues, minor short term physical maintenance or rehabilitation plans.

Send questions to <u>rad@hud.gov</u> and visit the <u>RAD website</u> regularly for additional resources.

To join the RAD email list, please go here.