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MEMORANDUM FOR: Harriet Tregoning, Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for
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FROM: *Frances Bush*
Frances Bush, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Operations, DO

SUBJECT: Finding of No Significant Impact under the National
Environmental Policy Act Notice of Funding Availability for
Fiscal Year 2015: Community Compass Technical Assistance
and Capacity Building (FR-5900-N-06)

It is the finding of this office that the attached funding notice (FR-5900-N-06) does not constitute a major Federal action having an individually or cumulatively significant effect on the human environment and therefore does not require the preparation of an environmental impact statement. The notice sets out the guidance to govern grants authorized for Fiscal Year 2015 under the Consolidated and Further Continuing Appropriations Act, 2015, the Native American Housing Assistance and Self-Determination Act (NAHASDA), the U.S. Housing Act of 1937, and the McKinney-Vento Homeless Assistance Act.

The awards will be available for the provision of technical assistance (TA), capacity building, and data research activities to enhance the capabilities of HUD customers to more effectively and efficiently operate HUD programs. Eligible activities include conducting needs assessments, direct TA and capacity building engagements, PHA administrative receivership and recovery, developing and maintaining tools and products, self-directed and group learning, knowledge management, data reporting, analysis, and management, and NAHASDA allocation formula administration and negotiated rulemaking support.

This office finds that the notice does not have a significant impact on the human environment for two reasons:

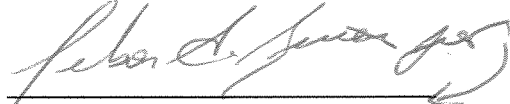
1. The activities funded by the program consist of training, education, advice and technical support, operating costs, and administrative expenses, which have no significant physical impact on the environment. These activities are categorically excluded from review under the National Environmental Policy Act due to the lack of potential for any significant effect on the environment, and do not require review under related environmental authorities, under 24 CFR 50.19(b)(3), (9), and (13).
2. The funding notice permits leasing of office space as an administrative cost but prohibits the use of funds provided under the NOFA for property repairs or renovations and prohibits leasing or renting properties in the Coastal Barrier Resources System designated under the Coastal Barrier Resources Act (16 U.S.C. 3501) with federal funds.

Accordingly, the publication of this notice is deemed not to be a major Federal action having a significant impact on the human environment.

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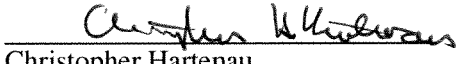
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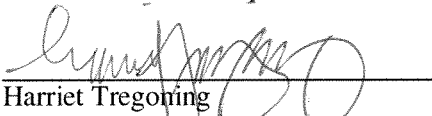
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