Special Attention of:

Multifamily Hub Directors
Program Center Directors
Supervisory Project Managers
Project Managers
Owners and Managers of Multifamily

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1. This Transmits:

Chapter 38 to HUD Handbook 4350.1, Multifamily Asset Management and Project Servicing. Chapter 38 is entitled, "Emergency/Disaster Guidance - Office of Multifamily Housing Programs'." Over the years the Department has acquired a great deal of knowledge on how to efficiently respond to a Presidentially Declared Disaster (PDD) and developed guidance that covers the many different aspects of servicing multifamily properties that were damaged or vacated as a result of a PDD. This new Chapter 38 to HUD Handbook 4350.1, Multifamily Asset Management and Project Servicing, assembles guidance issued in previous Notices and memoranda into one Handbook Chapter and updates it with what we have learned since Hurricane Katrina.

The Chapter also applies to all HUD insured/assisted properties in situations where the Hub Director determines that an emergency exists. The procedures incorporated in this chapter provide HUD staff, owners, and communities with the procedures they need to react to emergency situations.

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