SUBJECT: Extension: Guidance - Verification of Social Security Numbers (SSNs), Social Security (SS) and Supplemental Security Income (SSI) Benefits

1. **Extension:** This Notice extends Notice PIH-2010-03(HA), same subject, for another year until January 31, 2012.

2. **Purpose:** This Notice explains the procedures public housing agencies are required to use for verifying Social Security numbers, Social Security benefits of applicants, participants and household members at the time of application for rental assistance programs and during mandatory reexamination of household income, respectively. This notice also provides guidance related to the recent changes made to 24 CFR 5.216, 24 CFR 5.218, and new verification requirements at 24 CFR 5.233, in accordance with the Final Rule: *Refinement of Income and Rent Determinations in Public and Assistance Housing Programs*, effective January 31, 2010, as published at 74 FR 68924, on December 29, 2009.

3. **For inquiries about this Notice contact:** your local HUD field office or Nicole Faison of HUD Headquarters’ Office of Public and Indian Housing, Real Estate Assessment Center at (202) 475-7963, or via email at PIH.RHIIP.TA@HUD.GOV.

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