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MEMORANDUM FOR: All PIAs, SAAs

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SUBJECT: Manufactured Homes Designed, Built, or Sold for Other than Single Family Use

Over the past several months, the Department has been made aware of instances where manufactured homes have been designed, built or sold for purposes of other than Single Family Use. Upon considering this information, the Department is issuing this correspondence to all industry stakeholders for clarity, uniformity and consistency of the Department's position and serves as a reminder of potential penalties for violations of the Manufactured Home Procedural and Enforcement Regulations (24 CFR Part 3282).

As you are aware, the regulations set the responsibilities and requirements for all stakeholders to which this communication is being sent. Specifically related to this correspondence:

§ 24 CFR 3280.2 states:

Manufactured home means; ... 320 or more square feet, and which is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a dwelling...

Dwelling unit means; one or more habitable rooms which are designed to be occupied by one family with facilities for living, sleeping cooking and eating.

§24 CFR 3282.8(l) states:

"Multifamily homes. Mobile homes designed and manufactured with more than one separate living area are not covered by the standards and these regulations."

Accordingly, manufacturers may not design or build manufactured homes labeled pursuant to the National Manufactured Home Construction and Safety Standards for multifamily or other non-single family residential use. Moreover, any manufactured home built under the federal program and bearing a HUD Certification Label may not be sold for purposes other than Single Family Use.

To avoid civil and criminal penalties associated with failing to comply with the regulations (refer to 24 CFR 3282.10), the Department is seeking your cooperation and heightened attention in ensuring that manufactured homes designed, manufactured and sold under the provisions of the Federal Manufactured Home Construction and Safety program are only for Single Family Use.

Moving forward, the Department will be referring cases involving manufactured homes designed, built or sold for other than Single Family Use to its Office of General Counsel for further enforcement action.

We ask the third party agencies to please distribute this memorandum to their manufacturer clients. If you have any questions regarding this issue, please contact your agency's HUD liaison of this office at (202) 708-6423.