NATIONAL SUPPLEMENT Between U.S. DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT And AMERICAN FEDERATION OF GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEES NATIONAL COUNCIL OF HUD LOCALS 222

<u>Subject</u>: Employee's mandatory entry of information into the Emergency Contact Information component of HIHRTS

Scope: The scope of this Supplement encompasses the impact and implementation of management's decision to require employees to enter Emergency Contact Information in HIHRTS on bargaining unit employees.

- 1. <u>Emergency</u>: For the purpose of the HUD Emergency Contact System (ECS), emergency means a disastrous or life-threatening condition or situation (e.g., natural disaster, terrorist attack, security breach, building reliability or integrity, etc.) that would have a harmful affect on the state of affairs or continuity of operations of the Department, either on a local or national level.
- 2. <u>Emergency Contact Information</u>: Employees may choose which person(s) are entered into the Emergency Contact Information module. This information may not be used in the event of a medical emergency, development of a cascade, etc.
- 3. <u>Protection of Information</u>: All information contained in HIHRTS is confidential and requires the procedures of secure documents. Any information obtained from HIHRTS used to develop/produce written notes, documents, reports, etc., shall be destroyed in accordance with HUD regulations.
- 4. **Reporting Violations**: Employees may contact the Inspector General Hotline at 1-800-347-3735 or by fax at (202) 708-4829, email is hotline.gov or by mail at HUD OIG Hotline (GFI) 451 7th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20410, to report any improper/misuse of HIHRTS information.
- 5. <u>Contacts Outside Geographic Area</u>: It is encouraged, but not mandatory, for employees to provide emergency contact information of someone outside the employee's geographic area.
- 6. <u>Waivers for Mandatory Information</u>: An employee may request a waiver for providing the Department with Emergency Contact Information. The employee shall request a waiver and justification to the Assistant Secretary for Administration. Until a decision has been obtained from the Assistant Secretary for Administration, the employee is not required to enter information into HIHRTS.
- 7. **Private Information**: All contact information placed into HIHRTS is considered private and confidential.
- 8. <u>Use of HIHRTS Information</u>: HIHRTS Emergency Contact Information shall be used for locating, confirming employees safety, office status, and ability to report to work.

- 9. <u>Deadline</u>: Mandatory Emergency Contact Information should be entered into HIHRTS within 30 days of the approval of this Supplement, or October 31, 2006, whichever is later.
- 10. <u>HUD Work</u>: HIHRTS is a Departmental program and the input of initial information and the maintenance of HIHRTS information is an assignment of work.
- 11. <u>System Responsibility</u>: Management agrees they are fully responsible for the control, access, security and workings of the HIHRTS system.
- 12. **ESS Content**: Emergency Contact Information is the only module of the ESS content that is required. All other provisions of Supplement 65 and 65A remain in effect.
- 13. **System Failure**: Employees will not be held responsible or subject to disciplinary action if information cannot be entered into the system due to system failures or system maintenance issues.

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