

Long Term Workforce Housing Action Plan Amendment 6 – Technical Modification 2

Background and Scope

The Mississippi Development Authority (MDA) submits this Technical Modification 2 to the final Long Term Workforce Housing Program (LTWH) Recovery Action Plan Amendment 6 that was approved by HUD on June 25, 2008. The MDA has determined that this change does not represent a major modification to the plan requiring formal submission to HUD. The nature, purpose, scope and direct beneficiaries of the Partial Action Plan remain the same subsequent to the modification. Additionally, this technical modification will not negatively impact other potential beneficiaries.

Modification Details

The Disaster Recovery Division continues to evaluate the housing needs on the Mississippi Gulf Coast. Recent market studies of the Mississippi Gulf Coast have shown a need for assisted living for more than 4900 seniors, age 55 or older as well the need for temporary or transitional housing for adults and adolescents. The existing plan for LTWH addresses the need for affordable housing for low, moderate and workforce income populations. As such, this modification is to clarify that LTWH programs were intended to support and/or provide housing for seniors and emerging workforce populations (i.e. youth) within that need definition. Included housing types are senior apartments, assisted living complexes and group homes that prepare individuals to enter the workforce in the future.

The LTWH plan also allowed funds to be passed through to the subrecipient/subgrantee to perform environmental reviews. In some instances, it has been determined that it would be more feasible to perform the environmental reviews internally. Therefore, MDA reserves the right to perform environmental reviews internally on a case by case basis.

Partial Action Plan Amendment 6 Technical Modification 2 is hereby adopted to clarify its original intent to allow funds to be used for senior housing, assisted living, and group homes. The existing action plan addresses the need for housing for low, moderate and workforce income populations. It also allows environmental reviews to be performed internally on a case by case basis.