# DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5550-D-01]

# Delegation of Authority for the Office of Field Policy and Management

**AGENCY:** Office of the Secretary, HUD. **ACTION:** Notice of Delegation of Authority.

SUMMARY: Through this notice, the Secretary of the Department of Housing and Urban Development delegates to the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management authority for the management and oversight of the Department's field operations.

DATES: Effective Date: October 9, 2012.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lawrence D. Reynolds, Assistant General Counsel, Administrative Law Division, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 9262, Washington, DC 20410– 0500, telephone number 202–402–3502 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this number through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at 1–800–877–8339.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

#### Section A. Authority

The Secretary of HUD hereby delegates to the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management authority for the management and oversight of the Department's field operations. In carrying out this authority, the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management shall, among other duties:

- 1. Coordinate the implementation of the Department's policies and programs in the field in consultation with field program directors. Program coordination does not mean program decisionmaking but, rather, collecting local information, measuring community impact, initiating crossprogram communication and coordination, and facilitating the resolution of potential program differences through the appropriate channels, if necessary.
- 2. Manage and assess field resources to ensure that operations are efficient and effective.
- 3. Coordinate and convey the Strategic Plan and Management Action Plan with the field.
- 4. Advise the Secretary on policy and management of the field.

## Section B. Authority To Redelegate

The Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management is

authorized to redelegate to employees of HUD any of the authority delegated under section A above.

#### Section C. Authority Superseded

This Delegation supersedes all previous delegations from the Secretary of HUD to the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management.

**Authority:** Section 7(d), Department of Housing and Urban Development Act (42 U.S.C. 3535(d)).

Dated: October 9, 2012.

## Shaun Donovan,

Secretary.

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# DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5550-D-02]

# Order of Succession for the Office of Field Policy and Management

**AGENCY:** Office of Field Policy and Management, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of Order Succession.

SUMMARY: In this notice, the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management, Department of Housing and Urban Development, designates the Order of Succession for the Office of Field Policy and Management. This Order of Succession supersedes all prior Orders of Succession for the Office of Field Policy and Management.

 $\textbf{DATES:} \ \textit{Effective Date:} \ \textbf{October 9, 2012.}$ 

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lawrence D. Reynolds, Assistant General Counsel, Administrative Law Division, Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 9262, Washington, DC 20410–0500, telephone number 202–402–3502 (this is not a toll-free number). Persons with hearing or speech impairments may access this telephone number via TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at 1–800–877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management, Department of Housing and Urban Development, is issuing this Order of Succession of officials authorized to perform the functions and duties of the Office of Field Policy and Management when, by reason of absence, disability, or vacancy in office, the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management is not available to exercise the powers or perform the duties of the office. This Order of Succession is subject to the provisions of the Federal Vacancies

Reform Act of 1998 (5 U.S.C. 3345–3349d). This publication supersedes any previous Order of Succession for the Office of Field Policy and Management.

Accordingly, the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management designates the following Order of Succession:

#### Section A. Order of Succession

Subject to the provisions of the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998, during any period when, by reason of absence, disability, or vacancy in office, the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management is not available to exercise the powers or perform the duties of the Assistant Deputy Secretary, the following officials within the Office of Field Policy and Management are hereby designated to exercise the powers and perform the duties of the Office. An individual who is serving in an acting capacity in a position listed below shall not act as the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management:

- (1) Associate Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management;
- (2) Deputy Director for Field Policy and Management;
- (3) Director of Field Operations and Support; and
- (4) Regional Administrator, HUD Region IV.

These officials shall perform the functions and duties of the office in the order specified herein, and no official shall serve unless all the other officials whose position titles precede his/hers in this order are unable to act by reason of absence, disability, or vacancy in office.

### Section B. Authority Superseded

This Order of Succession supersedes all prior Orders of Succession for the Office of Field Policy and Management.

**Authority:** Section 7(d), Department of Housing and Urban Development Act, 42 U.S.C. 3535(d).

Dated: October 9, 2012.

#### Patricia A. Hoban-Moore,

Assistant Deputy Secretary.

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# DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5550-D-03]

# Redelegation of Authority for Office of Field Policy and Management

**AGENCY:** Office of Field Policy and Management, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of Redelegation of Authority.

SUMMARY: Through this notice, the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management redelegates certain operational management authority to the HUD Regional Administrators located in Region I (Boston, MA); Region II (New York, NY); Region III (Philadelphia, PA); Region IV (Atlanta, GA); Region V (Chicago, IL), Region VI (Fort Worth, TX), Region VII (Kansas City, KS); Region VIII (Denver, CO); Region IX (San Francisco, CA); and Region X (Seattle, WA).

**DATES:** Effective Date: October 9, 2012.

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lawrence D. Reynolds, Assistant General Counsel, Administrative Law Division, Department of Housing and Urban Development, Room 9262, 451 7th Street SW., Washington, DC 20410– 0500, telephone number, 202–402–3502 (this is not a toll-free number). This number may be accessed through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at 800–877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: By separate notice published in today's Federal Register, the Secretary of HUD delegates to the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management authority for the management and oversight of the Department's field operations, and further authorizes the Assistant Deputy Secretary to redelegate such authority. Through this notice, the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management redelegates certain operational management authority to the HUD Regional Administrators. On March 26, 2002 (67 FR 13791), and April 5, 2007 (72 FR 16809), HUD published Delegations of Authority from the Secretary to the Regional Directors/ Administrators of Field Policy and Management. This notice supersedes these and all prior redelegations to the **HUD Regional Administrators.** 

### Section I: Authority Redelegated

- A. Cross-Program Coordination. Each Regional Administrator is redelegated the following duties:
- Develop and implement placebased Management Plans in consultation with field program directors;
- 2. Coordinate cross-program projects and Field Office Quality Management Reviews:
- 3. Prepare briefing papers and hot issue documents;
  - 4. Lead disaster relief efforts;
- 5. Lead problem-solving teams to address significant issues involving

- internal and external stakeholders and program areas;
- 6. Convene on-site program teams (i.e., CPD, OGC, FHEO), as necessary and in consultation with field program directors to review proposed, major projects or initiatives for place-based impact;
- 7. Assist state and local housing officials in assessing the impact of housing foreclosures:
- 8. Convene place-based teams, as necessary and in consultation with field program directors, to review Consolidated Plans during the 45-day review period;
- 9. Provide comments to Public Indian Housing (PIH) Field Directors on public housing disposal and/or demolition applications;
- 10. Review with other program leaders the status of the HUD–VASH program to maximize utilization; and
- 11. Consult with program directors regarding implementation of departmental management goals, secretarial and Presidential initiatives, and Annual Performance Plan commitments.

Regional Administrators can request review by Headquarters of decisions made by program directors. Where the Regional Administrator and relevant program director disagree on a major program decision, the Regional Administrator may report the disagreement to the Assistant Deputy Secretary, Field Policy and Management, who may then raise the matter with the relevant Assistant Secretary or equivalent. The relevant Assistant Secretary or equivalent makes the final determination, subject to review by the Deputy Secretary, as necessary.

- B. Administrative Management. Each Regional Administrator is delegated the following administrative duties:
- 1. Determine official office hours and opening, closing, and emergency procedures;
- 2. Authorize excused absence by administrative directive for up to three days for office closure or group dismissal for severe environmental disturbance or other managerial reasons (e.g., loss of heating or air conditioning) in field office location; and
- 3. Regional Administrators may request a waiver of specific directives and handbook provisions pertaining to programs in the Offices of Housing, Public and Indian Housing, Community Planning and Development, and Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity. Waiver is not authorized for the HUD Litigation Handbook and regulations, or those departmental directives and handbook provisions mandated by or directly

- predicated on a statute, executive order. or regulation. Waiver requests by the Regional Administrator will be forwarded to the Assistant Deputy Secretary, the Office of Field Policy and Management, who will forward the requests to the respective program Assistant Secretary for final decision. All waivers requests must be in writing and specify the grounds for requesting the waiver. Regional Administrators will be notified in writing of the program Assistant Secretary's decision, through the Office of Field Policy and Management leadership. Only the program Assistant Secretary may grant waivers or make a specific delegation of waiver authority.
- C. Representation. Each Regional Administrator is redelegated the following duties:
- 1. Serve as the lead point of contact for nontribal local elected or appointed officials;
- 2. Serve as one of the principal points of contact with industry groups with the support of and in consultation with field program directors;
- 3. Manage and conduct labor/ management relations;
- 4. Manage all inquiries and correspondence, including Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552, as amended) requests and Congressional and intergovernmental communications, in consultation with field program directors;
- 5. Respond to all media inquiries in conjunction with Headquarters. Office of Public Affairs and field program directors;
- 6. Administer the local office's Web page and Internet sources;
- 7. Monitor and evaluate customer service; and
- 8. Enter into cosponsorship agreements, with the concurrence of the General Counsel and the relevant program Assistant Secretary or equivalent.

### **Section II: Authority To Redelegate**

Except for those authorities specifically excluded in Section III of this notice, this authority may be redelegated, as appropriate, from Regional Administrators to Field Office Directors within the respective jurisdictions.

### Section III: Authority Non-Redelegable

The following authorities may not be redelegated from the Regional Administrators to the Field Office Directors or to any other employee:

- 1. The authority to enter into cosponsorship agreements;
- 2. The authority to request waivers as provided by section I.B.3. above; and

3. The authority to sign local, areawide, or center-wide negotiated impact and implementation (I&I) or memorandum of understanding (MOA) agreements with unions representing smaller units consisting of either Headquarters and/or Field employees on issues confined to a single program area and within the Regional Administrators' own budget authority, including the resolution of unfair labor practice charges and bargaining impasses.

### **Section IV: Delegations Superseded**

This notice supersedes all prior delegations of authority to the Regional Directors/Administrators from the Secretary of HUD or the Assistant Deputy Secretary, Field Policy and Management.

**Authority:** Section 7(d)(q) of the Department of HUD Act, 42 U.S.C. 3535(d).

Dated: October 9, 2012.

#### Patricia A. Hoban-Moore,

 $Assistant\ Deputy\ Secretary.$ 

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# DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5550-D-04]

### Order of Succession for HUD Region I

**AGENCY:** Office of Field Policy and Management, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of Order of Succession.

SUMMARY: In this notice, the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management, Department of Housing and Urban Development, designates the Order of Succession for the Boston Regional Office and its Field Offices (Region I). This Order of Succession supersedes all previous Orders of Succession for HUD Region I.

# **DATES:** Effective Date: October 9, 2012. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lawrence D. Reynolds, Assistant General Counsel, Administrative Law Division, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 9262, Washington, DC 20410–0500, telephone number 202– 402–3502 (this is not a toll free number). This number may be accessed through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at 800–877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: By separate notice published in today's Federal Register, the Secretary delegates to the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management authority and responsibility for the management and oversight of the Department's field

operations. Through this notice, the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management is issuing this Order of Succession of officials authorized to perform the functions and duties of the Boston Regional Office (HUD Region I) and its Field Offices when by reason of absence, disability, or vacancy in office the Regional Administrator or Field Office Directors are not available to exercise the powers or perform the duties of their Office. This Order of Succession is subject to the provisions of the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998 (5 U.S.C. 3345-3349d). This publication supersedes all previous Orders of Succession for Region I. Accordingly, the Assistant Deputy Secretary designates the following Order of Succession:

#### Section A. Order of Succession

Subject to the provisions of the Federal Vacancies Reform Act of 1998, during any period when by reason of absence, disability, or vacancy in office the Regional Administrator for the Department of Housing and Urban Development or the Field Office Directors are not available to exercise the powers or perform the duties of their Office, the following officials within each Office and those officials specified by Office location are hereby designated to exercise the powers and perform the duties of the Office:

- 1. Boston Regional Office Order of Succession
  - a. Deputy Regional Administrator;
  - b. Regional Counsel;
- c. Regional Director, Office of Multifamily Housing;
- d. Director, Region I, Office of Fair Housing and Equal Opportunity.
- 2. Hartford Field Office Order of Succession
- a. Associate Regional Counsel, Housing Finance and Programs;
- b. Director, Connecticut Multifamily Program Center.
- 3. Providence Field Office Order of Succession
- a. Associate Regional Counsel, Housing Finance and Programs;
- b. Director, Providence Multifamily Program Center.
- 4. Manchester Field Office Order of Succession
- a. Associate Regional Counsel, Housing Finance and Programs;
- b. Director, New Hampshire Multifamily Program Center.
- 5. Burlington Field Office Order of Succession
  - a. Director, Bangor Field Office;

- b. Director, Manchester Field Office.
- 6. Bangor Field Office Order of Succession
  - a. Director, Burlington Field Office;
- b. Director, Manchester Field Office. These officials shall perform the functions and duties of the office in the order specified herein, and no official shall serve unless all the other officials whose position titles precede his/hers in this order are unable to act by reason of absence, disability, or vacancy in office.

### Section B. Authority Superseded

This Order of Succession supersedes all prior Orders of Succession for HUD Region I.

**Authority:** Section 7(d), Department of Housing and Urban Development Act, 42 U.S.C. 3535(d).

Dated: October 9, 2012.

#### Patricia A. Hoban-Moore,

 $Assistant\ Deputy\ Secretary.$ 

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# DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT

[Docket No. FR-5550-D-05]

### Order of Succession for HUD Region II

**AGENCY:** Office of Field Policy and Management, HUD.

**ACTION:** Notice of Order of Succession.

SUMMARY: In this notice, the Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management, Department of Housing and Urban Development, designates the Order of Succession for the New York Regional Office and its Field Offices (Region II). This Order of Succession supersedes all previous Orders of Succession for Region II.

DATES: Effective Date: October 9, 2012.

### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Lawrence D. Reynolds, Assistant General Counsel, Administrative Law Division, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, 451 7th Street SW., Room 9262, Washington, DC 20410–0500, telephone number 202– 402–3502 (this is not a toll-free number). This number may be accessed through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at 800–877–8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Assistant Deputy Secretary for Field Policy and Management, Department of Housing and Urban Development, is issuing this Order of Succession of officials authorized to perform the functions and duties of the New York Regional Office and its Field Offices