**FINDING OF CATEGORICAL EXCLUSION**

**(not subject to 58.5)**

**24 CFR 58.35(b)**

Grantee

Grant No.

I hereby certify that the following activity(ies) comprising the       Project have been reviewed and determined to be Categorically Excluded per 24 CFR 58.35(b) as follows:

(1) Tenant-based rental assistance;

(2) Supportive services including, but not limited to, health care, housing services, permanent housing placement, day care, nutritional services, short-term payments for rent/mortgage/utility costs, and assistance in gaining access to local, State, Federal government benefits and services;

(3) Operation costs, including but not limited to, equipment purchases, inventory financing, interest subsidy, operation expenses, and similar costs not associated with construction or expansion of existing operations;

(4) Economic development activities, including but not limited to, equipment purchases, inventory financing, interest subsidy, operating expenses and similar costs not associated with construction or expansion of existing operations;

(5) Activities to assist home ownership of existing dwelling units including closing costs and down payment assistance to home buyers, and similar activities that result in the transfer of title to a property;

(6) Affordable housing pre-development costs including legal, consulting, developer and other costs related to obtaining site options, project financing, administrative costs and fees for loan commitments, zoning approvals, and other related activities which do not have a physical impact.

**FLOOD INSURANCE/FLOOD DISASTER PROTECTION ACT**

1. Does the project involve the acquisition, construction, or rehabilitation of structures, buildings, or mobile homes?

No. Flood insurance is not required. The review of this factor is completed.

Yes. Continue Review.

2. Is the structure or part of the structure located in a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) designated Special Flood Hazard Area?

No. Cite Source Documentation:

Proceed with project.

Yes. Cite Source Documentation:

Continue Review.

3. Is the community participating in the National Flood Insurance Program (or has less than one year passed since FEMA notification of Special Flood Hazards)?

Yes. Flood insurance under the National Flood Insurance Program must be obtained and maintained for the economic life of the project, in the amount of the total project cost. A copy of the flood insurance policy declaration must be maintained in this Environmental Review Record.

No. **Federal assistance may not be used in the Special Flood Hazard Area.**

**COASTAL BARRIERS RESOURCES ACT**

1. Is the project located in a coastal barrier resource area?

No. Cite Source Documentation:

Yes. **Federal assistance may not be used in such an area.**

**AIRPORT RUNWAY CLEAR ZONES AND CLEAR ZONES DISCLOSURES**

1. Does the project involve the sale or acquisition of existing property within a Civil Airport's Runway Clear Zone, Approach Protection Zone or a Military Installation's Clear Zone?

No. Cite Source Documentation:

Yes. **Disclosure statement must be provided** and a copy of the signed disclosure statement must be maintained in this Environmental Review Record.

In accordance with 24 CFR 58.35(b), no further environmental approval form from HUD or the State is necessary for the drawdown of funds to implement this program.

Name and Title of Certifying Officer Signature of Certifying Officer Date

Name of person preparing this form Phone #

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