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Mr. Philip Tegeler
President/Executive Director
Poverty & Race Research Action Council
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Washington DC 20036-2529

RE: Comments Received, Docket No. FR-5382-N-11, Notice of Proposed Information Collection for
Public Comment: Study of the Low Income Housing Tax Credit (LIHTC) Program after 15 Years

Dear Mr. Tegeler:

Thank you for submitting comments to the above-referenced proposed data collection, an owner survey, for the 15-year study on the LIHTC Program commissioned by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development. We appreciate your interest in the study and the time spent by you and your colleagues to review the study design and survey materials provided by HUD.

We wish that we could address the many issues you and your colleagues raised through your comments. However, much of the data collection and analysis you suggest is outside of the contract scope of work. Some of the data collection that you have suggested is being done by HUD. For example, HUD has undertaken Congressionally-mandated data collection on tenants in LIHTC-developed properties. Abt Associates is currently assisting HUD with this data collection effort, and the staff involved would be happy to discuss with you how that work is progressing.

The LIHTC 15-year project team is working with HUD to summarize and respond to all the comments received regarding this proposed data collection as we move forward with the OMB Clearance process. A formal response to your comments and those of other organizations will be published in the Federal Register.

If you have any questions about this process and this study, please do not hesitate to contact us or HUD.

Sincerely,

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