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From: Bill Brauner <BBrauner@cedac.org>
Sent: Friday, April 26, 2019 9:33 AM
To: Hollar, Michael K
Cc: Guido, Anna P; Hill, Ronald M
Subject: RE: FR-7007-N-08 60 Statutorily-Mandated Collection of Information for Tenants in LIHTC Properties

Mr. Hollar,

I appreciate your detailed responses to my comment.

Best regards,

Bill Brauner
Director of Housing Preservation and Policy
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From: Hollar, Michael K [mailto:Michael.K.Hollar@hud.gov]
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Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) Properties and Housing Trust Fund (HTF) Financing: HUD agrees that since the Rental Assistance Demonstration (RAD) and the National Housing Trust Fund are becoming important resources for LIHTC development, we should inquire about their use. Thus, we have added a field for the National Housing Trust Fund in Part VIII Program Type on the tenant form and both of these programs in the list of financing options in the property form.

Thank you again for taking to time to provide comments on this data collection effort!

Sincerely,
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