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The Honorable Sean Parnell
Governor, State of Alaska
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Dear Governor Parnell:

Subject: 2012 Program Year Review Letter

HUD is required by federal regulations to review, on an annual basis, the performance of each jurisdiction that receives grant funding through the consolidated plan process. Pursuant to title 24 of the code of federal regulations part 91.525(b), this letter serves as HUD's written performance report.

The Program Year Review Letter serves as the mechanism for HUD to communicate to the SOA and citizens the results of HUD's determinations for the program year. The following is HUD's analysis for the period, July 1, 2012 to June 30, 2013, designated as program year 2012 (PY12). PY12 is the third year of the state's latest five-year Consolidated Housing & Community Development Plan that covers the state fiscal years 2011 – 2015 (Consolidated Plan).

Community Development Block Grant

The SOA's Department of Commerce, Community and Economic Development, Division of Community and Regional Affairs (DCRA), is charged with programmatic responsibility for the administration of the CDBG program. For PY12 the SOA received a CDBG allocation of \$2,131,122.

Performance measure reporting in PY12 indicates that CDBG funds were used to create a suitable living environment, through the new construction or renovation of public facilities, to the benefit of 9,828 low and moderate-income persons.

Emergency Solutions Grant

The ESG program is administered by the Alaska Housing Finance Corporation (AHFC). For PY12 the SOA received in total an ESG allocation of \$228,007. Also include in reporting for this program year was the second FY2011 ESG allocation of \$71,301, which was awarded in PY12.

The ESG funds available in PY12 were distributed on a competitive basis to five agencies located in Juneau, Fairbanks, Kodiak. During PY12 ESG funds provided shelter support that resulted in 1,795 persons being sheltered.

HOME Investment Partnerships Program

The HOME allocation for the SOA is also administered by AHFC. The SOA received an allocation of \$3,000,000 in HOME funds for PY12. During PY12 the Greater Opportunities for Affordable Living program committed funding for the development of a HOME assisted rental-housing project (three units). The Homeownership Housing Development Program awarded funds for the development of 19 HOME assisted single family homes. The Owner-Occupied Rehabilitation Program completed the rehabilitation of seven units during the program year. The HOME Opportunity Program provided home-ownership assistance to 35 families during the program year. During PY12 HOME funds were also used to assist 87 households with Tenant Based Rental Assistance. HOME funded activities during PY12 will provide improved affordability and/or sustainability of decent housing for 151 low and moderate- income families.

Other HUD Programs

AHFC continues to serve as Alaska's statewide public housing authority (PHA). For PY12 AHFC continued participation in the Moving to Work (MTW) demonstration program. The MTW demonstration is overseen by HUD through the Office of Public and Indian Housing. Full reporting and correspondence for MTW is handled under separate cover.

AHFC continues to lead the statewide Continuum of Care process. AHFC was designated as the collaborative applicant for the "balance of state continuum" (excepting Anchorage) in the HUD 2012 homeless continuum of care grant competition. This facilitated the award of \$861,769 in the 2012 competition. AHFC provided over \$1.15 million in matching grants to entities that received 2012 HUD continuum of care funds statewide.

HUD Conclusion

The SOA has carried out its program substantially as described in its Consolidated Plan. The Consolidated Plan submission, as implemented, complies with the requirements of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, the Cranston-Gonzalez National Affordable Housing Act, and other applicable laws and regulations. The SOA has the continuing capacity to carry out the approved program.

In accordance with 24 CFR 91.525, this letter will be made available to the public by means of the HUD website at <http://www.hud.gov/local/ak/working/cpd/index.cfm>. Availability of the letter will be announced in the "highlights" section of the webpage, and an electronic copy will be found in the "library" section of the site that can be accessed by clicking on the link in the left hand column of the home page.

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