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## MISSISSIPPI DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

## CID INSTRUCTION #24-007

TO:

All Local Units of Government and Other Interested Parties

FROM:

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DATE:

March 8, 2024

SUBJECT: Environmental Review Process - New Radon Requirements

**Purpose:** The purpose of this instruction is to notify local units of government and CDBG grant recipients of HUD's new Departmentwide Radon Policy Notice.

**Discussion:** On January 11, 2024, HUD issued a Notice titled *Departmental Policy for Addressing Radon in the Environmental Review Process*. This notice requires recipients of HUD funds to consider radon as part of their contamination analysis in environmental reviews. The notice will be effective on April 11, 2024, meaning that all environmental reviews certified on or after April 11<sup>th</sup> will need to comply with this new guidance.

MDA is currently working internally to determine how to implement this guidance for our active and future programs. We will issue updates to our policies and procedures manual and our implementation manual once we determine a path forward. We will communicate with you all once we have more detailed updates.

If you would like to review HUD's new guidance and/or the slides from HUD's webinar explaining the guidance, those are available here and will be added to the MDA website at www.mississippi.org.:

https://www.hud.gov/sites/dfiles/CPD/documents/CPD Notice on Addressing Radon in the Environmental Review Process.pdf

https://files.hudexchange.info/resources/documents/Slides%20For%20Feb%2027%20TA%20Webinar%20on%20HUD%20Radon%20Policy%20Webinar%203%20rev%202.14.24.pdf

**Action:** Local units of government and other interested parties are urged to carefully review the HUD department notice and related resources document for federal regulatory and compliance purposes.

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