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NO Increase to the Management Fee Schedule for 2013

The RHS Administrator has approved NO Increase to the Management Fee Schedule for the 2013 budgets, due primarily to the following:

A. The increased Improper Payments Information Act (IPIA) audit error rate in the Rental Assistance Program. The Agency's review of tenant files revealed on-going and uncorrected problems in this area. The error rate last year was 1.48%; the IPIA error rate for FY2012 is calculated at 3.44% - more than double that of the prior fiscal year. The most prevalent cause of the errors continues to be property managers not providing complete paperwork, such as:

- No verification documents to support amount of income reported;
- Tenant certifications not signed or dated; and
- Incorrect tenant certification provided to the Agency for review.

B. Secondly, the increase in MFIS findings that are directly attributed to management agent submissions. As of May 2012, there were 6,809 findings in MFIS that are directly attributable to management agents and their responsibilities in accordance with the bundle of services. This is an increase of 696 findings from May 2011 and shows no improvement in management performance.

The Procedure Notice to change the Handbook is currently in clearance. As soon as possible, the updated references to the fees will be posted to the Regulations website.

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