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RE: RESPONSE TO PROPOSED 2010 ANNUAL PLAN – PUBLIC COMMENT

Dear Mr. Qian,

Thank you for your comments on the Housing Authority County of Los Angeles' (hereafter known as the "Housing Authority") proposed Administrative Plan for Fiscal Year 2010. We appreciate you taking the time to review the Plan and providing comments and recommendations.

The Housing Authority has thoroughly reviewed your recommendations and offers you our response as follows:

Comment: In light of the growing number of properties ending up in foreclosure since the start of 2008, it is critical that the HACoLA Plan outline the steps it will take to address the concerns of Section 8 recipients embroiled in the foreclosure crisis.

HACoLA Response: The Housing Authority agrees that foreclosure has become a crisis in Los Angeles County, as it has in many areas throughout the country. Our staff has been working diligently to quickly issue vouchers to those who need to relocate due to foreclosure for the last two years. When the President signed the Helping Families Save Their Homes Act in May 2009 (2009 Act), the Housing Authority immediately issued written guidance to staff on how to counsel their families subjected to foreclosure.

As a result of guidance issued by HUD in December 2009, the Housing Authority is implementing additional steps to ensure tenants and owners are aware of their rights and responsibilities.

The Housing Authority will also add necessary policies to the Administrative Plan to reflect requirements under the 2009 Act.

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Thank you for submitting your comments on the FY 2010 Annual Plan for the Housing Authority County of Los Angeles. If you have any further questions you may contact Kerrin Cardwell, Analyst at (562) 347-4663, ext. 8122.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sean Rogan" followed by a horizontal line.

SEAN ROGAN, Executive Director

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