



DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT
LITTLE ROCK AREA OFFICE
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LITTLE ROCK, ARKANSAS 72201

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IN REPLY REFER TO:
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Mr. Timothy B. MacMillan
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Legal Aid Bureau of Pulaski County
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Little Rock, Arkansas 72202

Dear Mr. MacMillan:

This is in reply to your letter of June 11, 1974, concerning charges imposed by the North Little Rock Housing Authority on your clients, Mrs. Betty McCullough and Mrs. Lucy Slater, both residents of Eastgate Terrace, for garbage collection and pest control.

The North Little Rock Housing Authority brought this to the attention of this office on June 3, 1974 and we, in turn, requested a policy decision from our Washington Headquarters through the Dallas Regional Office.

On June 13, 1974, we were advised by memorandum that such mandatory charges must be included in gross rent under the Brooke Amendment as this decision was Departmental policy.

This information was transmitted by letter dated June 14, 1974 to Mr. William S. Clements, Executive Director, suggesting that such charges be discontinued at the earliest possible date, i.e., July 1, 1974.

Mr. Clements, on June 17, 1974, advised this office by telephone that he would inform you and ACORN in writing of this change in Authority policy, and no doubt by now you have received his letter.

We are confident that this will alleviate the problem of your clients and the other residents in all the projects under management by the North Little Rock Housing Authority.

Please accept our apologies for being tardy in answering your letter, but we were in the process of determining the Department's position in this instance.

Sincerely,

Sterling R. Cockrill
Acting Area Director