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Multifamily Housing Program Users Can Now Apply for Access to the Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) System

On July 17, 2006, the Headquarters Multifamily EIV Team became operational, on a temporary basis, to assign access authorization rights to EIV Coordinators. It is expected that the Multifamily Helpdesk will eventually assume the role of assigning and re-assigning access rights to EIV. The forms and instructions for applying for EIV access authorization rights are contained on the new Enterprise Income Verification (EIV) system website for Multifamily Housing Program users. Accessible via Housing's Rental Housing Integrity Improvement Project (RHIIP) website (<http://www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/mfh/rhiip/mfhrhiip.cfm>), the new EIV website at: <http://www.hud.gov/offices/hsg/mfh/rhiip/eiv/eivhome.cfm> currently provides EIV system capability and background information, instructions for accessing the EIV system data, required certification application forms, and system security measure requirements. An EIV System User Manual will also be available on the EIV website in the near future.

Once owners and management agents obtain access authorization rights to EIV they will be able to obtain social security and supplemental security income benefit information to help verify tenant-reported income that heretofore had only been available to them through the Tenant Assessment Subsystem which is scheduled to be eliminated on September 22, 2006. Furthermore, it is also intended that owners and management agents will be able to obtain through EIV, beginning on September 25, 2006, the Department of Health and Human Services' National Directory of New Hires Data which will provide additional information such as family new hire information, wage and unemployment insurance benefit data. The Department believes EIV is a critical tool to ensure that the right benefits go to the right persons and encourages owners and management agents to apply for EIV access authorization rights as soon as possible.

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