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via email to: <u>Donovan@hud.gov</u>

Re: Petition for Rulemaking, to Amend 24 C.F.R. § 203.675

Dear Secretary Donovan:

In our ongoing efforts to ensure that the Protecting Tenants at Foreclosure Act (PTFA) is implemented as effectively as possible the below identified organizations have submitted the attached rulemaking petition to the Rules Docket Clerk of the Department of Housing and Urban Development. The Petition seeks rule changes to ensure that tenant occupants of single-family, Federal Housing Administration insured residences that undergo foreclosure are made aware of the possible application of the PTFA and state and local protections.

We recognize that the current rules predate the PTFA and hope that you will understand that this petition is an effort to pursue a goal we share with HUD of minimizing misinformation, uncertainty and the hardships that attend the misfortunes of innocent tenants. However, despite repeated efforts since our first in-person meeting with HUD's office of Single Family Asset Management, fully nine months ago, we have seen no progress.

We will be pleased to work with the Department in resolving the issues presented in the petition.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

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