## **BUDGET BASED RENT INCREASE SUBMISSION PROCESS**

Owners who are eligible for a budget based rent increase and wish to submit such a request are required to follow the instructions found in Chapter 7 of the HUD Handbook 4350.01. The request will be reviewed based on these requirements. A rent adjustment request package containing all of the applicable items listed below and meeting the requirements described in Chapter 7 can be processed more efficiently, thus reducing the number of requests for additional information.

At a minimum, a request for a budget based rent increase must contain the following items. Please check off the items included with your submission and return this list along with your documentation.

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	<b>Cover letter</b> summarizing reasons for the increase, proposed effective date, describe physical condition and any improvements budgeted for. Identify any proposed changes in services, equipment or charges and reasons for change.
	A <b>budget worksheet</b> (form HUD-92547-A, dated 08/2000) completed in accordance with handbook 4350.1. Forms reproduced by owners must observe the HUD format providing the same information including the owner's signed certification (Appendix 4d of 4350.1).
	<b>Justification Statement</b> for changes in budgeted line item amounts that exceed last year's audited figures by \$500 or 5% and miscellaneous line items.
	Copy of <b>notice to tenants</b> , annotated to show where and how the notice was distributed (if applicable). Refer to 4350.1 for requirements.
	Executed copy of <b>Owner's Certification</b> Regarding Purchasing Practices and Reasonableness of Expenses (Appendix 3 of 4350.1).
	Energy Conservation Plan, status report (if applicable) Chapter 12 of 4350.1.
	Signed request to increase <b>reserve deposits</b> or statement that reserves are adequate (Appendix 6 of 4350.1).
	A <b>utility allowance recommendation</b> , if tenants receive a utility allowance. Remember: utility allowances should be reviewed if there has been a 10% increase in utilities.
	<b>Attachment 5</b> of the Section 8 Renewal Policy Guidebook – "Profit motivated Projects" submit with 1 <sup>st</sup> budget base rent adjustment under MAHRA guidelines in conjunction with HUD Handbook 4350.1 Chapter 7.

**Note:** If the project is subject to tenant review and comment requirements, see Paragraphs 7-8 through 7-11 of HUD 4350.01, Rev. 1 for submission instructions for the Certification as to Compliance with 24 CFR Part 245 (Appendix 2) due following the 30 day tenant comment period.