

**HOUSING AUTHORITY OF NEW ORLEANS  
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS  
REGULAR MEETING  
NOVEMBER 19, 2013**

**RESOLUTION NO. 2013-51**

**WHEREAS**, the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) on September 10, 1998 published in the Federal Register the Final Rule establishing the Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP), as set forth in 24 CFR 985, to objectively measure public housing authority performance in key Section 8, tenant-based rental assistance program areas; and

**WHEREAS**, HUD, on August 17, 2000 issued Notice PIH 2000-34 (HA), requiring electronic submission of SEMAP Certification; and

**WHEREAS**, the Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) has completed the reviews to determine the HANO scoring for the 14 indicators of SEMAP report for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2013; and

**WHEREAS**, HANO has determined that the scoring for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2013 is 98 points, or 68% of the 145 points maximum, establishing HANO as a Standard Performer; and

**WHEREAS**, HUD requires that the SEMAP Certification be approved by the Board of Commissioners and be signed by the Administrative Receiver prior to the electronic submission to HUD; and

**THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED**, by the Board of Commissioners of the Housing Authority of New Orleans, as follows:

1. The Board hereby approves the SEMAP Certification score submission
2. The Board hereby authorizes the Administrative Receiver to sign the SEMAP Certification for submission to HUD in accordance with 24 CFR 985.

**Executed this 19<sup>th</sup> day of November, 2013**

**APPROVAL:**



**DAVID GILMORE  
ADMINISTRATIVE RECEIVER  
CHAIRMAN, BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS**



**November 19, 2013**

**MEMORANDUM**

**To: David Gilmore  
Administrative Receiver  
Chairman, Board of Commissioners**

**From: Valerie Pruitt  
Director of Housing Choice Voucher Program**

**Re: Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP) Certification for  
Fiscal Year 2013**

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On September 10, 1998, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) published in the Federal Register the Final Rule establishing the Section 8 Management Assessment Program (SEMAP). On August 17, 2000, HUD issued Notice PIH 2000-34 requiring the electronic submission of the SEMAP certification.

SEMAP consists of 14 primary indicators with points assigned to each indicator for a total maximum of 145 points. The indicators and their respective maximum points are as follows:

1. Selection from the Waiting List—15 points
2. Reasonable Rent—20 points
3. Determination of Adjusted Income—20 points
4. Utility Allowance Schedule—5 points
5. Housing Quality Standards (HQS) Quality Control Inspections—5 points
6. HQS Enforcement—10 points
7. Expanding Housing Opportunities—5 points
8. Payment Standards—5 points
9. Annual Reexaminations—10 points
10. Correct Tenant Rent Calculations—5 points
11. Pre-Contract HQS Inspections—5 points
12. Annual HQS Inspections—10 points
13. Lease-up 20—points
14. Family Self-Sufficiency Enrollment—10 points

In addition, there is a Deconcentration Bonus indicator worth 5 points.

HUD has determined that Housing Authorities that score between 130.5 and 145 points (90% or higher of the available points) are High Performers; those that score between 87 to 129.5 points (60 – 89% of the available points) are Standard Performers, and those that score 86 points or less (less than 60% of the available points) are Troubled.

The Housing Authority of New Orleans (HANO) has completed the appropriate tests and determined that the scoring for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2013 is 98 points or 68% of the available points, establishing HANO as a Standard Performer.

We recommend that the Board approve the SEMAP Certification for Fiscal Year 2013 and authorize the Administrative Receiver to sign the Certification for submission to HUD.