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What's New

News and training abound in Washington DC this week.

A TRACS Industry Group Meeting is being held at HUD Headquarters. Industry Leaders will hear from Carol Galante, Gail Williamson, and others on topics from Policy and EIV Updates to Security Awareness and LIHTC's.

Later in the week, the **National Leased Housing Association** annual conference takes over the Washington Marriott for 3 days, with workshops on Multifamily Housing, Voucher Administration, Software Management Systems, Neighborhood Stabilization and more.

If you can't make it to these industry information sessions, not to worry. Murphy Consulting will bring the information to you in future issues of **APPS & REAC News and Notes**.

Watch this space for the latest HUD happenings.

REAC Tip of the week - Electrical Panels

Did you know?

HUD recognizes some REAC inspectors are confused about what constitutes a defect on various types of electrical devices and panels. REAC has posted a 10 page clarification document to help them out. (complete with color photos and typical scenarios)

Calendar

June 15, 2009 Applications for the **Green Retrofit Program** are now being accepted. Funds will be dispersed on a first come, first served basis. See our *Helpful Links* below for more information.

July 17, 2009 Deadline for Applications to HUD for Neighborhood Stabilization Grants

Looking Ahead

EIV Mandatory Use Implementation Deadline

Sept 30, 2009

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Next PIH REAC System Upgrade

Sept 11, 2009

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A property can lose anywhere from 7 to 16 points for unsecured panels. HUD wants to mitigate inspector error and assure your property receives all the points it is entitled to.

<u>Murphy Consulting</u> is here to help as well. You can view this REAC Inspector's document <u>here</u> or obtain a full color pdf as part of a set in our **Inside HUD Inspector Training**© CD-Rom.

HUD System Tip of the Week iMAX Upload Errors

Did you know?

Some users are experiencing issues uploading files to iMAX using their Web browser. The TRACS Team is working hard to resolve this issue.

A configuration change last Friday should have significantly reduced the number of failures. If you are still receiving an upload error, try the following:

- 1. using your web browser internet options, clear history and delete cookies
- 2. split large files into multiple files
- 3. upload a smaller number of files at one time
- 4. wait 15-30 minutes and try your upload again

If you are still having problems, you may contact <u>deatrie.m.perry@hud.gov</u> and she will assist in uploading your files to iMAX.

HUD requests your patience as they work to get this resolved.

EIV Training: Convenient & Cost-Effective

Unlock your access to the EIV System!

Our 2 hour interactive Webinar on EIV, designed specifically for Coordinators, includes forms, handouts, links, and follow-up Q & A with the instructor.

5 Easy Steps to EIV Access is being offered:

Wednesday, June 24th 11:00 AM - 1:00 PM (Eastern Daylight Time)

Register **<u>HERE</u>** today! Pay by credit card on-line or print your order and mail a check. Call 410-821-6953 with any registration questions.

Be prepared for the upcoming EIV mandate!

Let Murphy Consulting guide you through the maze.

Denise Murphy is a certified <u>NeighborWorks® America</u> Instructor

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<u>Click here</u> to check out our price on:

Inside HUD Inspector Training©

Preparing for REAC Inspections©

Appealing a REAC Score[©]

Helpful Links

Federal Registry Notice: Green Retrofit Program for Multifamily Housing

Green Retrofit Program: One-Page Summary Document

HUD's Recovery web site contains a **<u>GRP page</u>** with links to guides, applications and resources for submission.

Murphy Consulting provides links to help businesses succeed!

Share your Stories

Share Your REAC Inspection Stories

We would like to hear from you. Tell us about a recent or past REAC inspection problem.

Share how you won a REAC appeal.

Pass along compliments or praise for a specific Inspector or local HUD office.

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