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Dear Executive Director,

On December 23, 2017, a Federal District Court in Washington issued an Order in *OCA vs. Carson* (https://ecf.dcd.uscourts.gov/cgi-bin/show_public_doc?2017cv2192-29) setting aside the Secretary's August 23rd suspension of the SAFMR Rule (<https://www.huduser.gov/portal/datasets/fmr/fmr2016f/SAFMR-Final-Rule.pdf>). Accordingly, this means that the implementation date is January 1, 2018. While HUD understands that some PHAs will be at a serious disadvantage regarding immediate implementation due to the suspension, PHAs must immediately take all steps necessary with respect to dedicating monetary and human resources towards the implementation; as well as integrating the new FMR requirements in any planning the PHA conducts. As expeditiously as possible, HUD will issue guidance addressing implementation issues, technical assistance, and potential obstacles to implementation.

Signed,

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