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To: Chairman Richard Shelby, Ranking Member Patrick Leahy, Chairwoman Susan Collins, Ranking Member Jack Reed, Chairwoman Nita Lowey, Ranking Member Kay Granger, Chairman David Price, Ranking Member Mario Diaz-Balart, Chairman Mike Crapo, Ranking Member Sherrod Brown, Chair David Perdue, Ranking Member Robert Menendez, Chair Maxine Waters, Ranking Member Patrick McHenry, Chair Wm. Lacy Clay, Ranking Member Steve Stivers

Joint Industry Statement on ACC Contract Language in FY 2020 Transportation-HUD Legislation

On November 8th, the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) published its most recent proposed revision to the public housing program Annual Contributions Contract (ACC) and is accepting public comment on this revision for 30 days until December 9th. Fulfilling a commitment he made prior to publication of this revision, Assistant Secretary for Public and Indian Housing R. Hunter Kurtz organized a meeting between HUD staff and the staff of the Council of Large Public Housing Authorities (CLPHA), the MTW Collaborative, the National Association of Housing and Redevelopment Officials (NAHRO) and the Public Housing Authorities Directors Association (PHADA), to discuss the most recent changes.

While this meeting was an initial step, continued discussions between HUD and the industry associations are warranted to ensure a new ACC meets the standards set in the Housing Act of 1937 and the current ACC. The industry associations are committed to these discussions and to making sure the new ACC meets these standards. HUD's latest revision contains some provisions that are problematic. Therefore, the associations urge inclusion of the Senate's version of a provision governing implementation of a new ACC in a 2020 appropriations bill.

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