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MEMORANDUM

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TO: MSHDA OCD Grantees with funding for rehabilitation

FROM: Bill Parker, Interim Director, Housing Resource Fund *Bill*

RE: HUD/EPA Requirement to use "Renovate Right" brochure

I am writing this memorandum to inform you of the required use of the "Renovate Right" brochure for MSHDA OCD Grantees and for all contractors renovating homes built before 1978.

The EPA renovation rule published 4/22/08 amended 40 CFR Part 745 to require the use of the *Renovate Right* pamphlet instead of the *Protect Your Family From Lead* pamphlet **beginning 12/22/08**. The citation is 40 CFR 745.81(b), which says:

Before December 22, 2008, renovators or firms performing renovations in States and Indian Tribal areas without an authorized program may provide owners and occupants with either of the following EPA pamphlets: *Protect Your Family From Lead in Your Home* or *Renovate Right: Important Lead Hazard Information for Families, Child Care Providers and Schools*. **After that date, *Renovate Right: Important Lead Hazard Information for Families, Child Care Providers and Schools* must be used exclusively.**

HUD has not issued guidance or amended 24 CFR Part 35 in regard to this, but the EPA rule applies to all renovation in this country, including renovation projects that HUD and/or MSHDA fund. Therefore, we are informing OCD Grantees to immediately begin using this brochure. We have several Grantees a supply of these brochures at our NSP workshops.

If you do not have these brochures we will send you 10 to get you started, you can e-mail your CD specialist and copy Kerri Nobach nobachk1@michigan.gov to request the brochures. You can also print brochures by going to the following web-site: [http://www.centerforhealthyhousing.org/Renovate Right Pamphlet EPA.pdf](http://www.centerforhealthyhousing.org/Renovate%20Right%20Pamphlet%20EPA.pdf).

Please keep in mind that this change applies only to renovation. The *Protect Your Family From Lead* pamphlet still applies to other activities, such as rental and homebuyer assistance (without rehabilitation).

Please contact your CD Specialist or me at 517-373-1462 parkerw@michigan.gov if you have any questions.

