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HUD TO PROVIDE OVERSIGHT AND MONITORING FOR THE STATE OF MICHIGAN

The U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) will incorporate the State of Michigan into its HUD-Administered Manufactured Home Installation Program (Installation Program) on May 15, 2017. In addition to the Installation Program, HUD will manage the responsibilities of the State Administrative Agency (SAA) and the Dispute Resolution Programs (DRP) from the State of Michigan.

HUD's Office of Manufactured Housing Programs (OMHP) will oversee the responsibilities pertaining to the administration of the Installation Program which includes training and licensing of professional installers throughout Michigan for new manufactured homes. All new homes will be inspected by a qualified inspector. The HUD program also has standardized reporting requirements for all new home installations to simplify recordkeeping and adhere to program compliance. The three hundred and thirty installer licenses issued by Michigan have been reissued by HUD which allows for acceptance and reciprocity in all HUD-Administered states. Website: <http://www.manufacturedhousinginstallation.com/> or Email: hudinfo@sebapro.com

HUD will function as the SAA to enforce the Federal manufactured housing program in Michigan. The SAA oversees some aspects of the manufactured housing industry including retailers, transporters, and installers. HUD Website: https://portal.hud.gov/hudportal/HUD?src=/program_offices/housing/rmra/mhs/mhshome

The DRP provides timely resolution of disputes between manufacturers, retailers, or installers. The DRP addresses defects in construction, safety, and installation but will not address cosmetic issues or contractual agreements. DRP Requests are typically received from homeowners; however, retailers, manufacturers, and installers can also submit a request when there are disagreements between parties. All questions regarding the DRP can be directed to Christine Biddlecombe. Ms. Biddlecombe, Program Manager, can be reached via email at cbiddlecombe@savangroup.com or by phone at (571) 385-4772. Additional information concerning the DRP can be found at www.huddrp.net.

HUD will work with the State of Michigan to resolve any outstanding issues under the SAA, DRP, and Installation Programs and will also issue additional communications in the coming weeks to industry stakeholders about the DRP.