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Date: June 18, 2019

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SUBJECT: Urban County Qualification for HUD FY 2020-2022

Ms. Fernandez:

In accordance with HUD Notice CPD-19-04, Instructions for Urban County Qualification for Participation in the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program for Fiscal Years (FYs) 2020-2022, Lee County has completed the Urban County requalification process. Lee County has Urban County Cooperation Agreements that provide for automatic renewal (enclosed) with the City of Bonita Springs, City of Sanibel, and Town of Fort Myers Beach. The Village of Estero will be joining as a new partner for Fiscal Years 2020-2022, and has executed a new Urban County Cooperation Agreement with Lee County.

As required, on March 22, 2019, Lee County sent notification to the urban county partners advising them all of their right to be excluded and the automatic renewal provisions of the agreements in place. Notification of the opportunity to participate was sent to the Village of Estero on March 22, 2019.

The following documents are enclosed, as required in Section IV of HUD Notice CPD-19-04:

- Notification of right to be excluded sent on March 22, 2019 to the City of Bonita Springs, City of Sanibel, and Town of Fort Myers Beach.
- Notification of option to be included sent on March 22, 2019 to the Village of Estero.
- Letter from City of Bonita Springs choosing to defer status as a metropolitan city.
- Letters from the Village of Estero and City of Sanibel choosing to participate in the Urban County partnership.
- Notification of automatic renewal sent on April 8, 2019 to municipalities (City of Bonita Springs, City of Sanibel, and Fort Myers Beach) that have cooperation agreements in effect.
- Letter from the Town of Fort Myers Beach choosing to be excluded from the Urban County partnership.
- Fully executed cooperation agreements, joint resolutions for the renewing municipalities, and County attorney legal opinion.

If you have any questions regarding this matter, please contact Jeannie Sutton, Acting Operations Manager, by phone (239) 533-7958 or email JSutton@leegov.com.

Sincerely,

 Vice Chairman
Lee County Board of County Commissioners

Enclosures

C: Roger Desjarlais, Lee County Manager
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