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The Honorable Daivd M. Apatang
Governor of the Commonwealth
of the Northern Mariana Islands
Caller Box 10007
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Subject: Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands Annual Performance Assessment
Community Development Block Grant (CDBG), HOME Investment Partnerships (HOME),
Emergency Solutions Grant (ESG), and Housing Trust Fund (HTF)
Program Year 2024

Dear Governor Apatang:

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) received the Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands' (CNMI's) February 4, 2026 response to HUD's Annual Performance Assessment (APA) Report of the CNMI's performance for its 2024 Community Planning and Development (CPD) Program Year (PY).

CR-15 Resources and Investment, HOME Program Income Table. The CNMI reconciled the reporting of HOME program income (PI) receipts in its PY 2024 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) with HOME PI balances at the end of the program year in IDIS. After confirming that the CNMI had not receipted \$47,005.07 in HOME PI in IDIS, the CNMI recorded the receipt of \$47,005.07 in HOME PI in IDIS on January 29, 2026. The CNMI gave assurances that it will record PI receipts, disbursements, and balances in a consistent, accurate, and timely manner.

HTF Fiscal Year (FY) 2023 Commitment Shortfall and Deobligation of \$71,533.43. The CNMI described its outreach efforts to find a developer to carry out an HTF-assisted project before the September 25, 2025 FY 2023 HTF commitment deadline and the lack of interested or qualified developers. As CNMI proceeds with its HTF program, the CNMI will explore strategies to increase developer participation and strengthen market responsiveness to ensure timely commitment and expenditure of HTF funds.

HUD acknowledges the additional information provided by the CNMI. The APA is considered final. CNMI's response to the APA and this letter should be included as part of the CNMI's APA for PY 2024. Please make the APA, the CNMI's response to the APA, and this letter available to the public using the CNMI's standard notification process including uploading the APA report and correspondences to the Northern Marianas Housing Corporation's website and providing a notice in the newspaper identifying the report contents and where it is available for review.

Thank you for your continued commitment to strengthening your community through CPD programs. If you have any questions or need further information or assistance, please contact Rebecca Borja, Senior CPD Representative, at 808-457-4673 or Rebecca.C.Borja@hud.gov. If responding in writing to this letter, please provide your response as a PDF document to CPDHonolulu@hud.gov.

Sincerely,

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