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Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr. President of Senate Maryland General Assembly State House, H-107 Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

Michael E. Busch Speaker of the House of Delegates Maryland General Assembly State House, H-101 Annapolis, MD 21401-1991

Dear Mr. President and Mr. Speaker:

Pursuant to State Government Article §7–512.1, the Department of Housing and Community Development shall report to the General Assembly on the Low-Income Weatherization Component of the Electric Universal Service Program. In fulfilment of this mandate, below please find the Electric Universal Service Program Report dated as of June 3, 2016 providing information in accordance with Section 2-1246 of the State Government Article.

On or about October 1, 2008, \$1,000,000 of Low-Income Weatherization Component of the Electric Universal Service Program (EUSP) was transferred to the Department of Housing and Community Development from the Office of the Comptroller. The \$1,000,000 was allocated by Agreement to a network of 15 local weatherization agencies that serve each political jurisdiction in the State of Maryland. The local Agreements for State Fiscal Year 2008 provided the performance period for the Low-Income Weatherization Component of the Electric Universal Service Program that began on October 1, 2008 and ended June 30, 2009.

The \$1,000,000 was fully utilized, with assistance provided to households in all 24 political jurisdictions. EUSP funds were leveraged with other sources of weatherization funds. The types of projects assisted during the reporting period were primarily single family owner occupied housing units. The single family housing units included detached homes, row/town homes and mobile homes. The number of households serviced and the average cost per household was not recorded.

The Department of Housing and Community Development works closely with the Department of Human Resources and has a history of assisting income eligible households with their home energy needs. Each Department operates their respective programs through a network of local agencies.







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Preference is given to the elderly, the disabled and to families with young children and/or who have the highest energy consumption. The incomes served are all below 30 percent of the area median income. The types of activities EUSP funded include insulation, air sealing (caulk and weather-stripping), minor furnace work such as a clean and tune and other related activities designed to conserve energy.

If you have any questions on this or any other matter, please contact me at (301) 429-7796 or by email at tiffany.robinson@maryland.gov at your convenience.

Sincerely,

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