Memo to Paul Tsongas From Missy Grealy

Subject: additional towns and townships eligible for UDAG

The Senate Banking Committee added a provision to the UDAG legislation which permits the Secretary of HUD to waive the "closely settled" test for UDAG eligibility if all other requirements are met. This will mean that additional Towns and Townships in Massachusetts are eligible to compete in the Small Cities UDAG program. Conferees on the HUD bill have agreed to the provision, and we can expect that the legislation will be signed into law in the near future. (Conferees will finish the bill on Tuesday, and both houses will pass next week).

In Massachusetts, the following new communities will now be eligible to compete for the UDAG program:

Population of 2,500 or more

Ayer Bourne

Dudley

Great Barrington

Lennox

Merrimac

Middleton

Salisbury

Shirley

Warren

West Bridgewater

Wrentham

Population of 2,500 or less

Buckland

Clarksburg

Hancock

Hardwick

Hawley

Heath

Huntington

Leydon

Millville

N. Marlborough

Petersham

Painfiled

Rowe

Royalston

Sandisfield

Savoy

Stockbridge

Williamsburg

Worthington

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