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January 27, 2004

TO: State Directors Rural Development

ATTN: Community Programs Managers

FROM: Arthur A. Garcia (Signed by James E. Selmon III)

Administrator

Rural Housing Service

SUBJECT: Population Limits for Community Facilities Loans and Grants

PURPOSE/INTENDED OUTCOME:

This Administrative Notice (AN) is being issued to clarify the population limit for Community Facilities (CF) direct and guaranteed loans and grants.

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS AN:

This AN replaces AN No. 3773 (1942-A) dated July 17, 2002.

IMPLEMENTATION RESPONSIBILITIES:

Section 6020 of the Farm Security and Rural Investment Act of 2002 (P.L.107-171) defines "rural" and "rural areas" for the purpose of Community Facilities direct and guaranteed loans and grants as follows: "a city, town, or unincorporated area that has a population of not more than 20,000 inhabitants.

EXPIRATION DATE: FILING INSTRUCTIONS:

January 31, 2005 Preceding RD Instructions 1942-A,

3570-B, and 3575-A

An essential community facility must be located within an eligible rural community as defined above. It may be adjacent to, or closely related to, a non-rural area if it is determined that the facility primarily serves and benefits rural residents.

If you have any questions concerning eligibility of CF projects, please contact Chad Parker, Director, Direct Loan and Grant Processing and Servicing Division, or Glenn E. Walden, Director, Guaranteed Loan Processing and Servicing Division, Community Programs, (202) 720-1490, or fax (202) 690-0471.