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Subject: RFA Comments

Marissa

Good morning, I hope you are being safe in this current environment. I wanted to provide my input on a situation that we find ourselves in with Houston Street. As you are aware, we had to request a waiver on the GCCC due to the general contractor's inability to cooperate with our accountants. We believe that general contractors are becoming more and more aware that they hold developer's hostage in obtaining the 8609 by not cooperating if they want to try to manipulate the developer into paying change orders that may not be valid. Shouldn't there be some type of mechanism in place to hold these general contractor's responsible for holding up the 8609 process? For example, not being able to participate in the system if they have a history of this type of behavior?

Thanks

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