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Dear Mr. Thom:

Congratulations! The City's Annual Action Plan is approved. Along with the approval of your plan, we are pleased to transmit to you the Fiscal Year (FY) 2010 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Number **B-10-MC-46-0002** funds in the amount of \$538,944. The program year for the City of Rapid City, South Dakota, began on April 1, 2010.

Enclosed are the Grant Agreements and Funding Approvals (three originals), which constitute the contracts between the Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and the city of Rapid City, South Dakota. You should note particularly the special conditions included in Item 8 of the Funding Approval. After receipt of the executed Grant Agreements (two originals) your funds will be available.

You are reminded that there are restrictions on certain activities until you complete the Environmental Review Procedures for the CDBG and HOME Programs (24 C.F.R. Part 58). Funds for such activities may not be obligated or expended unless the release of funds has been approved in writing by HUD. A request for the release of funds and certification (Form 7015.15) must be submitted to HUD. Appropriate forms can be found under HUDCLIPS on the web (www.hud.gov/offices/adm/hudclips/index.cfm). Certain activities identified in Part 58.34 may be considered exempt from the release of funds process and no written approval from HUD is necessary. You are further reminded that acceptance of the plan does not establish that plan activities are eligible and meet a national objective. Activities are verified by HUD for program compliance by monitoring, audits and other reviews.

We additionally would like to remind you of your certification to further fair housing. This certification means conducting an analysis to identify impediments to fair housing choice within the jurisdiction, taking appropriate actions to overcome the effects of any impediments identified through that analysis, and maintaining records reflecting the analysis and actions in this regard.

We encourage continuation and expansion of your efforts to provide contracting opportunities to minority- and women-owned businesses in the implementation of your CPD program activities.

If you have any questions or desire assistance in connection with this letter or other items related to the CDBG Program, please contact Ms. Marlene Collazo, Financial Analyst, at (303) 672-5002.

Sincerely,

Group P. Brown

Director

Enclosures