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Dear Ms. Buono:

**SUBJECT: FY 2014 Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report**

We have reviewed and approved the City of Springfield's Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the program year July 1, 2014 to June 30, 2015. Based on the information provided, we find the FY 2014 CAPER to be consistent with the City's Five Year Consolidated Plan and One Year Action Plan for FY 2014. The narrative describes how the City is working to meet the goals identified in the plans as well as proposed versus actual outcome results. We also find the City to be within the 15% cap for public services and the 20% cap for planning and administration for the Community Development Block Grant Program.

As a result of our review, we have determined that the City of Springfield has carried out its activities and certifications in a timely manner, consistent with the requirements and primary objective of the Housing and Community Development Act of 1974, as amended, and with other applicable laws and program requirements. Pursuant to 24 CFR 570.905, we find that the City of Springfield has the continuing capacity to carry out its activities in a timely manner based on the information provided in the City's CAPER.

Please be advised that in its review, FHEO did not identify any issues or concerns with the CAPER. FHEO requests that in the future, the City provide additional detail that addresses all the impediments to fair housing choice in the CAPER as well as Con Plan/Annual Action Plans, as well as concrete and measurable actions to address each of those impediments.

Please remember that a copy of this letter must accompany all copies the CAPER. If you have any questions or if we can be of further assistance, please contact your CPD Representative, Paula Newcomb, at 617-994-8376 or paula.newcomb@hud.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Robert D. Shumeyko".

Robert D. Shumeyko  
Director