



**Massachusetts Department of Housing and Community Development
Division of Public Housing and Rental Assistance**

To: Rental Assistance Staff & HomeBASE Administering Agencies
From: Lizbeth Heyer, Associate Director
Date: August 19, 2011
RE: UW-5, Universal Waiver of HomeBASE Regulations, 5-day Conditional HomeBASE Assistance

Pursuant to 760 CMR § 65.08, for ease of implementation of the HomeBASE program and to further the fundamental principles of the HomeBASE program, anything to the contrary in 760 CMR Ch. 65 notwithstanding, the provision of 760 CMR § 65.04 (C) (3) (c) permitting families admitted on a conditional basis to HomeBASE Temporary Accommodations to remain in such accommodations for up to 5 days to provide supportive documentation and verification that they are eligible for HomeBASE and have a substantial likelihood of qualifying for and securing rental housing utilizing HomeBASE rental assistance or non-rental assistance benefits shall be waived in all circumstances, permitting such families to remain in Temporary Accommodations for such purposes for up to 10 business days. This universal waiver shall be in effect until further notice by the Department.