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June 9, 2015

Thomas Gleason  
Executive Director  
MassHousing  
One Beacon Street  
Boston, MA 02108

RE: Application of NBM Realty, LLC for Project Eligibility approval, Mugar Property, Arlington, MA

Dear Director Gleason:

On behalf of the Arlington Board of Selectmen, I write to request a sixty-day (60) extension for the period within which the Board of Selectmen may submit comments to MassHousing in regard to the above noted application for land known as the "Mugar property" in Arlington, Massachusetts. Our request seeks a total of ninety (90) days (the traditional "thirty day" comment period plus our requested extension period of sixty days) within which, once invited by MassHousing, to submit the Board of Selectmen's written comments to MassHousing.

As grounds for this request, we cite to both the Board's summer schedule and upcoming senior staff vacations, scheduled months ago. We know that MassHousing will benefit from and listen to the Town's detailed comments on this proposed project and we respectfully suggest that we will be unable to fully and appropriately respond without a reasonable extension of time. We suggest that the 90 day requested review period is reasonable given both the timing of this application to MassHousing and the detailed nature of the same. (For example, the advance copy of the application that we have received contains 196 pages. We are not certain whether additional materials have been or will be submitted to MassHousing by the applicant or whether the applicant will correct errors already identified in the advance copy that we have received and submit the same to MassHousing prior to MassHousing inviting the Town's comments).

For the above noted reasons, and on behalf of the Board of Selectmen, I ask for a comment deadline of ninety (90) days from receipt by the Town of MassHousing's invitation to comment on the above noted application for Project Eligibility approval. This extension will allow the Board sufficient time to review the application, invite the applicant to make a presentation to the Board and allow the Board to invite comments from relevant Town officials. It will ensure that the Town's response to MassHousing is thoughtful and helpful as MassHousing reviews and deliberates on the merits of this application.

Kindly confirm that this extension is acceptable.

Respectfully,

TOWN OF ARLINGTON  
BOARD OF SELECTMEN  
On Behalf of the Town of Arlington,

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State Rep. David M. Rogers  
Adam W. Chapdelaine, Town Manager