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Dear Current Resident:

Recently, Jacqueline Drozinski, one of our Field Representatives visited your household. I understand that you **do not want to participate** in the American Community Survey. The purpose of this letter is to remind you that your household's participation in the survey is **required by law**.

The primary goal of this survey is to provide current information on subjects like the current social, economic, and housing situation in the United States. Your efforts help provide the information needed by your community, county, and state, as well as the Nation, to plan programs at all levels. When you hear about the average income for states or cities, the data were collected by the ten-year census. The American Community Survey will provide these data on a continual basis making the data more timely and useful. **In 2005 the U.S. Census Bureau started the American Community Survey in every county in the United States. It will replace the long form in the 2010 census and greatly simplify operations so that the focus of the 2010 census is solely on counting the population.**

A Federal law (Title 13, United States Code) authorizes this survey and **requires that you participate in the survey**. This law also requires that Census Bureau employees keep all survey answers **confidential** by not allowing any other government agency or court system access to your answers.

We hope that you will participate in this survey that can help us improve the information that you and others provide about your community. If you have any questions about the survey, please call Jacqueline Drozinski, at (913) 221-9277, collect if necessary, or the Program Supervisors, Seth Watson, David Neely or Gary O'Brien, at 1-800-728-4748, extension 56750. **Your participation does make a difference!**

Sincerely,


Dennis R. Johnson
Regional Director