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In response to your request, we are pleased to provide information on the budgeted costs for implementing Local Law 1 of 2004, The New York City Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Act of 2003.

Total expense budget spending for 2005 is \$84.7 million, including \$51.8 million for the Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD), \$17.2 million for the Department of Homeless Services, \$9.0 million for the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, \$2.5 for the Administration for Children's Services, and \$4.3 million in fringe benefits costs paid from city central accounts. This figure includes about \$25 million in HPD costs that may ultimately be transferred to the capital budget.

Because the city interprets the law to require that much of the assessment and remediation work must be carried out within the first year after the law took effect on August 2, 2004, budgeted costs fall in 2006 and 2007, reaching a "steady-state" level of \$50.0 million annually.

The city emphasizes, and we concur, that these figures are preliminary estimates that will be subject to change as the agencies gain experience in implementing the law.

The Mayor's Office of Management and Budget and the concerned city agencies were most helpful in providing information to complete this analysis.

If we can provide further information on this topic, we would be pleased to do so. The IBO staff contacts are Molly Wasow Park (HPD and DHS), and Rachelle Celebrezze (DOHMH and ACS).

Sincerely yours,

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