

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Notification of Fieldwork for CIGIE Cloud Computing Initiative – Status of Cloud Computing Environments Within the Federal Government Project No. OA-FY14-0126

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- **FROM:** Rudolph M. Brevard, Product Line Director Office of Audit
- **TO:** Craig E. Hooks, Assistant Administrator Office of Administration and Resources Management

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The Office of Inspector General (OIG) is starting fieldwork on the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE) Cloud Computing Initiative – Status of Cloud-Computing Environments Within the Federal Government. Our objectives will be to evaluate selected agency efforts to adopt cloud-computing technologies and to review executed contracts between agencies and cloud service providers for compliance with applicable standards. This audit is being conducted as part of a CIGIE governmentwide initiative. We will conduct the project using applicable generally accepted government auditing standards.

Currently, we are planning to include a review of Office of Water contract EP-BPA-12-C-0010 during this audit. Based on the results of a cloud computing survey, we will make additional selections as to which systems we will include in our detailed audit testing. The audit will cover fiscal year 2014 to date, but the audit scope could be expanded if needed. We plan to interview program officials and review pertinent records related to EPA cloud systems.

We will contact you to arrange a mutually agreeable time to discuss our objectives, the purpose of our project and any areas of concern that you may have. We will answer any questions you may have about the project process, reporting procedures, methods used to gather and analyze data, and what we should expect of each other during the course of the project.

To begin our audit, we are requesting that the Office of Administration and Resources Management complete and return the attached cloud computing survey. We are also requesting the Office of Water to provide the complete contract, to included all clauses, for contact EP-BPA-12-C-0010. If possible, please provide the requested items in electronic format by February 7, 2014.

If you or your staff have any questions, please contact me at (202) 566-0893 or <u>brevard.rudy@epa.gov</u>; or Charles M. Dade, Project Manager, at (202) 566-2575 or <u>dade.chuck@epa.gov</u>. We will provide updates on a regular basis to the designated contacts from your office.

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