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OFFICE OF
INSPECTOR GENERAL

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Project Notification Amendment, Evaluation of EPA's Oversight of Clean Air Act Title V Emissions Fees, Project No. OPE-FY12-0009

FROM: Carolyn Copper, Assistant Inspector General /s/
Office of Program Evaluation

TO: *See Below*

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's Office of Inspector General plans to begin the fieldwork phase of an evaluation of EPA's Oversight of Clean Air Act Title V Emissions Fees. This assignment is included in the OIG's fiscal year 2013 annual plan. The purpose of this memorandum is to schedule an entrance conference to discuss the objective and scope for the fieldwork phase of our evaluation, as well as responsibilities of the Office of Air and Radiation and the EPA OIG during the project.

The OIG's objective in this assignment is to determine whether EPA's oversight of state and local Title V programs' fee revenue practices is effective in identifying and obtaining corrective actions for issues related to collecting, retaining, and allocating fee revenues in accordance with the Code of Federal Regulations in 40 CFR Part 70. We plan to perform work within the Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards, the Office of Atmospheric Programs, six EPA regions, and nine Title V permitting authorities. The project will be conducted using generally accepted government auditing standards. We anticipate that this project will be beneficial to EPA by assisting the Agency in assuring the quality of delegated agencies' air pollution control programs for Title V sources. We also anticipate that the project will be beneficial to EPA in assisting it in determining whether delegated Title V permitting authorities have adequate resources to carry out the activities needed to protect public health from Title V sources.

The OIG product line director, Rick Beusse, and project manager, John Bishop, will supervise the project. At agreed-upon periods, our team will meet with your staff to discuss the status of our evaluation.

We will contact you within 10 days to arrange a mutually agreeable time to discuss our objectives and the purpose of the fieldwork phase of our project. We would also be particularly

interested in any related 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.

Please contact me at (202)566-0829 or carolyn.copper@epa.gov, or Rick Beusse at (919) 541-5747 or beusse.rick@epa.gov, if you or your staff have any questions.

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