



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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OFFICE OF
INSPECTOR GENERAL

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Ken Kloo
New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection
401 East State Street
Trenton, NJ 08608

Dear Mr. Ken Kloo:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of the Inspector General (OIG), is initiating an audit of Cooperative Agreement No. 2L-97234209. This cooperative agreement was awarded under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) to the New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection (NJDEP) to assess and remediate petroleum releases from leaking underground storage tanks in New Jersey. The objective of the audit is to determine whether the procurements and costs incurred under the cooperative agreement are in compliance with and allowable under Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations Part 31 requirements. We will also determine whether the objectives of the cooperative agreement were met and that NJDEP complied with Section 1605 (Buy American), Section 1606 (Davis Bacon Act), and Section 1512 (Reporting) of the Recovery Act.

We have contracted to have this audit conducted by Ahmed Associates, LTD. This contractor will contact you to in the upcoming weeks to initiate the audit.

This audit is funded under ARRA and is conducted as part of the Office of Inspector General's ARRA oversight responsibilities.

If you any question, please feel free to contact Jessica Knight at (415) 947-4542 or at knight.jessica@epa.gov, or Lela Wong at (415) 947-4531 or at wong.lela@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

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