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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

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Martha Rudolph Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment 4300 Cherry Creek Drive South Denver, Colorado 80246-1530

Dear Ms. Martha Rudolph:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of the Inspector General (OIG), is initiating an audit of Cooperative Agreement No. 2S-97842001. This cooperative agreement was awarded under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) to the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment for the remediation of the Summitville Mine Superfund Site. The objective of the audit is to determine whether the procurements and the use of force account under the cooperative agreement complied with Title 40 Code of Federal Regulations Part 35, Subpart O, requirements. We will also determine whether the objectives of the cooperative agreement were met.

We have contracted to have this audit conducted by Ollie Green & Company, CPA's. This contractor will contact you to in the upcoming weeks to initiate the audit.

We are aware that a group from the OIG's Office of Investigations (OI) has recently reviewed this cooperative agreement for compliance with selected ARRA requirements. Our review's objectives are limited to procurement, force account work, and completion of the project's objectives and do not overlap with the work conducted by OI.

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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