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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Development of the FY 2017 Exceptions-Based Addendums to the FY 2016-2017

National Program Manager (NPM) Guidance and Annual Commitment Process

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TO: General Counsel

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This memorandum initiates the process for developing the FY 2017 Exceptions-Based Addendums to the FY 2016-2017 National Program Manager (NPM) Guidances. The purpose of the 2017 Addendums is to convey those activities that will be implemented in FY 2017 but were not addressed in the FY 2016-2017 NPM Guidances. OCFO's Technical Guidance, available on EPA's NPM Guidance website, provides the instructions for the FY 2017 Addendum development.

We appreciate the input from the NPM Guidance/NEPPS Workgroup and the NPM Planners in designing this exceptions-based approach to developing the FY 2017 Addendums. Based on workgroup advice on the importance of maintaining the integrity of the new two-year NPM guidance process, we developed the addendum criteria to provide a high threshold for exceptions-based changes to the FY 2016-2017 NPM Guidances.

I thank you for your continued commitment to strengthen our collaboration with our state and tribal partners. If you have any questions regarding this effort, please contact Kathy O'Brien at (202) 564-1167 or have your staff contact Beth Burchard at (202) 564-6981.

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