



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

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Acceptance of Corrective Actions Plan for Office of Inspector General
Report No. 18-P-0071, *EPA Has Not Reported to Congress on BEACH Act
Progress as Statutorily Required or Fully Documented Budget Decisions*,
Issued January 18, 2018

FROM: Arthur A. Elkins Jr. 

TO: Holly Greaves, Chief Financial Officer

Thank you for your March 13, 2018, memorandum that provided a supplemental written response to the subject Office of Inspector General (OIG) report.

The OIG issued this report to the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) with two unresolved recommendations: Recommendation 4 to the Office of the Chief Financial Officer (OCFO), and Recommendation 1 to the Office of Water.

According to an April 18, 2018, email from Hamilton Humes, Audit Liaison with the OCFO's Office of Budget, the OCFO will update its guidance to address records management requirements, explain applicable Freedom of Information Act requirements and exceptions, and provide tools to demonstrate compliance with budget formulation and recordkeeping requirements. In a subsequent conversation with our office on May 7, 2018, Mr. Humes clarified the OCFO will include tools necessary to demonstrate compliance. We consider the OCFO's supplemental response and corrective actions, along with its subsequent clarifications, adequate to resolve Recommendation 4. We accept the EPA's planned corrective actions.

We will close Recommendation 4 in the OIG tracking system as of the date of this memorandum. You should track implementation of OCFO corrective actions in the agency's Management Audit Tracking System until all actions are completed.

With this memorandum, Recommendation 4 is resolved. A separate memorandum to the Office of Water resolved Recommendation 1. As a result, all recommendations in this report are resolved.

If you or your staff have any questions, please contact Kevin Christensen, Assistant Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation, at (202) 566-1007 or christensen.kevin@epa.gov; or Kathlene Butler, Director, Water Directorate, at (404) 562-9736 or butler.kathlene@epa.gov.

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