

## 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-0231, Without E-Invoicing and Stronger Payment Process Controls,

EPA Is Placing \$1,2 Billion at Risk Annually, August 16, 2018

FROM:

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TO:

Holly W. Greaves, Chief Financial Officer

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Office of Administration and Resources Management

Thank you for your memorandum dated August 31, 2018, which provides planned corrective actions for all five recommendations in the subject report. All five recommendations were all unresolved when the report was issued. Based on the information and supporting documentation provided, the planned corrective actions satisfy the intent of our recommendations. Therefore, all five recommendations are now completed or resolved.

For Recommendation 1, the agency provided its plan to implement the Office of Management and Budget's 2018 e-invoicing requirement. This corrective action satisfies the intent of the recommendation, and we consider this recommendation completed. We acknowledge that as of March 2018, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has not transitioned to e-invoicing; however, the agency has been planning for e-invoicing since it was formally captured on the Office of the Chief Financial Officer's project roadmap in April 2017.

For Recommendations 2–5, we consider the agency's planned corrective actions and completion dates to be acceptable. Recommendations 2–5 are considered resolved and will be closed in the Office of Inspector General tracking system as of the date of this memorandum. You should track implementation of corrective actions in the agency's Management Audit Tracking System until all actions are completed.

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