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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Response to Office of Inspector General Report No. 14-P-0017, *EPA Does Not Adequately Follow National Security Information Classification Standards*, dated November 15, 2013

FROM: Arthur A. Elkins Jr. 

TO: Craig E. Hooks, Assistant Administrator
Office of Administration and Resources Management

Thank you for your memorandum of January 31, 2014, with updated information on the recommendations for which your office and the Office of Research and Development are responsible. Recommendations 1 and 4 were unresolved when we issued the final report. Based on your memorandum and subsequent clarification from your staff, recommendation 1 is now resolved because a completion date has been provided. As you noted in your memorandum, recommendation 4 (for which the Office of Homeland Security is responsible) will be subject to the Office of Inspector General's dispute resolution process.

In addition, we acknowledge how promptly your office completed the corrective actions related to recommendations 2, 5, 7 and 9. Those recommendations will be marked as completed in the Office of Inspector General's tracking systems.

If you have any questions regarding this response, please contact Carolyn Copper, Assistant Inspector General for Program Evaluation, at (202) 566-0829 or copper.carolyn@epa.gov.

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