

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

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

## August 26, 2013

## **MEMORANDUM**

SUBJECT: Audit of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's

Implementation of Do Not Pay Requirements

Project No. OA-FY13-0391

Richard Eyermann, Acting Assistant Inspector General FROM:

Office of Audit

TO: Maryann Froehlich, Acting Chief Financial Officer

Craig E. Hooks, Assistant Administrator

Office of Administration and Resources Management

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Inspector General, plans to begin preliminary research for an audit of the agency's implementation of the "Do Not Pay" requirements outlined in the Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Improvement Act of 2012. The objective of the preliminary research is to determine whether the EPA has adequate controls to ensure the implementation of Do Not Pay requirements in accordance with the agency's final plan for the Do Not Pay solution and Office of Management and Budget requirements. The OIG will review the process used to verify the eligibility of entities receiving federal payments and follow up with entities identified through the verification process.

We will contact your audit liaison to arrange a time for an initial meeting during the week of September 9, 2013. At the initial meeting, we will discuss the results of our preliminary research and answer any questions that you may have about our review process, reporting procedures, methods used to gather and analyze data, and what we should expect of each other during the course of the project.

To expedite our review, we request that the following information be made available to us prior to the meeting:

- A list of entities identified through the verification process to date.
- Procedures for preparing vendor and payment files shared with the Do Not Pay electronic portal.

Should you or your staff have any questions, please contact product line director, Janet Kasper, at (312) 886-3059 or <a href="mailto:kasper.janet@epa.gov">kasper.janet@epa.gov</a>; or project manager, Andres Calderon, at (214) 665-6420 or <a href="mailto:calderon.andres@epa.gov">calderon.andres@epa.gov</a>.

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