



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Close-Out of OIG Report No. 12-P-0508, *EPA Inaction in Identifying Hazardous Waste Pharmaceuticals May Result in Unsafe Disposal*, May 25, 2012

TO: Mathy Stanislaus
Assistant Administrator
Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response

Thank you for your timely memorandum dated August 24, 2012, which included corrective action plans for the three recommendations in the subject report. In accordance with EPA Manual 2750, your memorandum provided proposed corrective actions and estimated milestone completion dates for all recommendations. The Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response's (OSWER's) proposed corrective actions meet the intent of the Office of Inspector General recommendations and we are closing them out. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency should update the Management Audit Tracking System to record progress in completing these recommendations. Please notify my staff if there is a significant change in the agreed-to corrective action plan.

If you or your staff have any questions, please contact Carolyn Copper, Assistant Inspector General for Program Evaluation, at (202) 566-0829 or copper.carolyn@epa.gov, or Chad Kincheloe at (312) 886-6530 or kincheloe.chad@epa.gov.

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