

Monthly Report on EPA OIG Activities for Recovery Act April 1 - May 1, 2009

Recovery Act Funds Used on Recovery Act Activity - Cumulative

Total Funding Available	Total Obligations	Total Gross Outlays
\$20,000,000	\$198,911	\$182,775

Major Actions Taken to Date with Recovery Act Funds

- Initiated the assignment: Audit of EPA's Assessment of Past Performance and Determination of Responsibility for Contractors Awarded Recovery Act Funds
- Issued a report on open audit recommendations affecting Recovery Act activities.
- Assistant Inspector General for Audit testified on April 29, 2009, before the House Transportation and Infrastructure Committee on OIG oversight of Recovery Act funding
- Assisted EPA in identifying risks and mitigation strategies for stimulus funds
- Participated in EPA Stimulus Steering Committee and Subcommittees
- Met with all offices receiving Recovery Act funds to gain an understanding of how they plan to use the funds
- Presented common findings from EPA grantee audits at EPA's National Grant and Interagency Agreement Management Training Conference
- Initiated a Modification of an Interagency Agreement with Office of Personnel Management for recruitment of Recovery Act staffing (also reported by EPA Grants Administration Div.)
- Participated on Agency Stimulus Sub-Committee on Performance Measurement - provided advisory comments on risk assessment
- Established accounting and funding codes for the all remaining OIG components
- Updated the Fiscal Year 2009 OIG Annual Plan posted on the public Website to include an appendix with an overview of Recovery Act plans
- Refined investigative strategy
- Finalized educational materials
- Reviewed and refined analysis of EPA spending plans
- Participated in EPA Recovery Act subcommittees
- Assistant Inspector General for Investigations did briefing at Council of Infrastructure Financing Authorities annual meeting
- Briefed Los Angeles, California, Clean Water State Revolving Fund staff
- Briefed Los Angeles, California, Drinking Water State Revolving Fund staff
- Briefed Office of Transportation and Air Quality on clean diesel program
- Briefed Region 6 on clean diesel program
- Coordinated with Federal Bureau of Investigation, Dayton, Ohio, on Recovery Act taskforce
- Coordinated with Defense Criminal Investigative Service, Dayton, Ohio, on Recovery Act and U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- Briefed Region 8 Underground Storage Tank program office
- Briefed Region 5 Tribal programs office
- Webcast to Office of Water on Recovery Act fraud
- Attended fraud training to develop methodology for Recovery Act recipient reporting audit
- Issued report recommending that EPA update its Fiscal Year 2009 Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act guidance to require respective offices to emphasize reviews of

business processes that affected Recovery Act activities, integrated Recovery Act internal control reviews into their multi-year strategies, and certified how well internal controls are working in Fiscal Year 2009 assurance statements to the EPA Administrator.

Major Actions Planned to Date with Recovery Act Funds

- Initiate an assignment reviewing State intended use plans for Recovery Act State Revolving Fund monies
- Issue a report on assistance agreement and contract recipients with open recommendations potentially affecting Recovery Act activities
- Review EPA's draft Clean Water and Drinking Water State Revolving Fund compliance supplement revisions, as they apply to Recovery Act funding
- Review Office of Management and Budget's proposed Recovery Act compliance supplement and provide comments to Office of Management and Budget before finalization and issuance of the supplement
- Brief EPA's program and administrative offices on OIG planned oversight activities.
- Issue the OIG unified Agency-program oversight plan
- Finalize investigative strategy. Due May 15.
- Procure printing contract for educational materials
- Train the Trainer on outreach/briefings - Chicago/May
- Develop data collection methodologies for Recovery Act funding
- Participate in EPA Recovery Act subcommittees
- Coordinate investigative strategy with other OIGs and Federal Bureau of Investigation
- Brief State Revolving Fund staff in top 10 States
- Brief EPA State Revolving Fund staff
- As funding is set, develop mailing lists for educational materials
- Maintain recurring contact with federal, State, and local liaisons
- Conduct investigations relative to Recovery Act funds
- Refine investigative strategy for non-State Revolving Fund Recovery Act funds
- Develop Business Intelligence Team strategy
- Complete necessary administrative actions relative to Fraud Investigative Teams