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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Evaluation of Agency Response on OIG Report No. 16-P-0108, Drinking Water: EPA Needs to Take Additional Steps to Ensure Small Community Water Systems Designated as Serious Violators Achi@ve Compliance, Issued March 22, 2016

FROM: Arthur A. Elkins Jr. Juthur C. S. M.

TO: Mark Hague, Regional Administrator Region 7

On May 19, 2016, the U.S Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 7 provided a final written response to the subject OIG report. We consider Region's May 19, 2016 response adequate to resolve Recommendation 4 in the final report. This Region 7 response in conjunction with the Region 2 and EPA Office of Enforcement and Compliance Assurance responses to the draft report adequately resolves all final report recommendations. We are closing out this report as of the date of this memorandum.

We appreciate the cooperation of your staff in resolving this evaluation. 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 Kathlene Butler, Director, at (404) 562-9736 or butler.kathlene@epa.gov.

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