

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

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

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MEMORANDUM

Acceptance of Corrective Action Plan for Office of Inspector General Report No. SUBJECT:

> 16-P-0296, Progress Made, but Improvements Needed at CTS of Asheville Superfund Site in North Carolina to Advance Cleanup Pace and Reduce Potential Exposure, Issued

August 31, 2016

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TO: Heather McTeer Toney, Regional Administrator

Region 4

Thank you for your memorandum dated October 5, 2016, which includes a corrective action plan for Recommendations 1, 2, 3, 5b, and 5c of the subject report, which were unresolved when we issued the final report.

We accept the agency's planned corrective actions for those recommendations. The planned actions meet the intent of our recommendations. Therefore, all recommendations for the subject report are now considered resolved. We will close the remaining recommendations in the Office of Inspector General tracking system as of the date of this memorandum. You should track implementation of EPA corrective actions in the agency's Management Audit Tracking System until all actions are completed.

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 Tina Lovingood, Director, at 202-566-2906 or lovingood.tina@epa.gov.

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