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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Acceptance of Corrective Action Plan for Office of Inspector General Report

No. 15-P-0279, EPA's Presidential Green Chemistry Challenge Awards Program Lacks Adequate Support and Transparency and Should Be Assessed for Continuation,

Issued September 15, 2015

FROM:

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TO:

Jim Jones, Assistant Administrator

Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention

Thank you for your November 13, 2015, response to the subject report. The Office of Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention's proposed planned course of action meets the intent of the Office of Inspector General (OIG) recommendations. We have closed this report's recommendations in our audit tracking system based on your response. OIG may follow up on your office's progress in completing and executing the actions.

We have no objections to the public release of your memo or this response. Both memos will be available on the OIG website at www.epa.gov/oig. Should 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 Jeffrey Harris, Director, Toxics, Chemical Management and Pollution Prevention, at (202) 566-0831 or harris.jeffrey@epa.gov.

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