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



THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

January 8, 2021

## **MEMORANDUM**

**SUBJECT:** Response to Planned Corrective Actions for Office of Inspector General

Report No. 20-P-0331, EPA's Lack of Oversight Resulted in Serious Issues Related to an

Office of Water Contract, Including Potential Misallocation of Funds, issued

September 25, 2020

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**TO:** Donna J. Vizian, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator

Office of Mission Support

Thank you for your November 19, 2020 memorandum, which outlines the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's planned corrective action and estimated completion date for Recommendation 2 in the subject Office of Inspector General report. As stated in the response, your office proposed that Recommendation 2 be reassigned to the Office of Water since it would be in a better position to reinforce existing Agency policy to its workforce. We agree with your assessment that Recommendation 2 should be reassigned to the Office of Water.

Recommendations 3–6 were previously resolved. All recommendations directed to the Office of Mission Support for the subject report are now considered resolved.

If you or your staff have any questions, please contact Katherine Trimble, assistant inspector general for Audit, at <a href="mailto:trimble.katherine@epa.gov">trimble.katherine@epa.gov</a> or Khadija Walker, director of Contracts and Assistance Agreements, at (312) 886-3106 or <a href="mailto:walker.khadija@epa.gov">walker.khadija@epa.gov</a>.

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