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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

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**MEMORANDUM**

**SUBJECT:** Notification of Review:  
EPA's Corrective Actions Taken to Address OIG Recommendations  
Project No. OA-FY22-0072

**FROM:** LaSharn Barnes, Director *LaSharn Barnes*  
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**TO:** Janet McCabe, Deputy Administrator

The Office of Inspector General for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency plans to begin a review of the EPA's certification of completed corrective actions that address OIG recommendations. This review addresses the following fiscal year 2022 [top management challenge](#) for the Agency: managing infrastructure funding and business operations.

Our objective is to summarize findings, from recent OIG audits and evaluations, that the EPA falsely certified completion of some corrective actions for agreed-to recommendations. This project does not constitute an audit or evaluation but is intended to comprise a review of documentation from prior OIG reports and a summary of our findings. Therefore, this work will not be conducted in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards or with the *Quality Standards for Inspection and Evaluation*, issued by the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency. We will, however, follow the OIG's quality control procedures to ensure that the information in the final report is accurate and supported. The anticipated benefits of this review are enhanced and strengthened internal controls over the Agency's corrective action certification process.

We will post this memorandum on our public website at [www.epa.gov/oig](http://www.epa.gov/oig).

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