



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

THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

August 15, 2022

**MEMORANDUM**

**SUBJECT:** Response to Planned Corrective Actions for Office of Inspector General  
Report No. [21-E-0125](#), *Concerns About the Process Used for the SAFE Vehicles  
Rule Demonstrate the Need for a Policy on EPA's Role in Joint Rulemakings*,  
issued April 20, 2021

**FROM:** Sean W. O'Donnell

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Sean W O'Donnell".

**TO:** Joseph Goffman, Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator  
Office of Air and Radiation

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Jeffrey Prieto, General Counsel

Thank you for your June 28, 2022 memorandum, which outlines the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's planned corrective actions and estimated milestone dates for the three unresolved recommendations issued in the subject Office of Inspector General report. The other recommendation was previously resolved.

Based on the information and supporting documentation provided, we agree that the planned corrective actions met the intent of Recommendations 1, 2, and 4. We also appreciate documentation provided in July 2022 on completed actions for all recommendations. All recommendations for the subject report are now considered completed.

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

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