

UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20460

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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Acceptance of Corrective Action Plan for OIG Report No. 11-P-0706,

EPA Should Clarify and Strengthen Its Waste Management Oversight Role With

Respect to Oil Spills of National Significance, September, 26, 2011

TO: Mathy Stanislaus

Assistant Administrator for Solid Waste and Emergency Response

Thank you for your memorandum dated December 27, 2011, which included the Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response (OSWER) corrective action plan for recommendations 1 and 3 in the subject report.

In accordance with EPA Manual 2750, your December 27, 2011, memorandum provided proposed corrective actions and estimated milestone completion dates for recommendations 1 (specifically, 1.a., 1.b., and 1.c.) and 3. We agree that OSWER's proposed corrective actions meet the intent of the recommendations, and we are closing them out. Recommendation 2 from the subject report was closed upon report issuance. OSWER should update the Management Audit Tracking System to record progress in completing these recommendations. Please notify my staff if there is a significant change in the agreed-to corrective action plan.

Attached is a copy of your December 27, 2011, memorandum. If you or your staff have any questions, please contact Elizabeth Grossman, Acting Assistant Inspector General for Program Evaluation, at (202) 566-0828; or Carolyn Copper at (202) 566-0829.

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Attachment

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