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MEMORANDUM FOR: Jeremy Pelter

Acting Chief Financial Officer and Assistant Secretary for Administration, Office of the Chief Financial Officer

U.S. Department of Commerce

FROM: Frederick J. Meny, Jr.

Assistant Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation

SUBJECT: Audit of the Department's Implementation of the Business

Applications Solution Program (#2022-437)

We are initiating an audit of the U.S. Department of Commerce's (the Department's) Business Applications Solution (BAS) program. Our objective is to assess the Department's progress in managing and implementing the BAS program.

We plan to begin this work immediately. We will contact your audit liaisons to schedule an entrance conference, at which time we will discuss in further detail the specific nature of our project—including our objectives and scope, time frames, and potential data needs.

If you have any questions about this audit, please contact me at (202) 793-2938 or Kevin Ryan, Director for Audit and Evaluation, Systems Analysis and NOAA Programs, at (202) 695-0791.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation during this effort.

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