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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Jeremy Pelter

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Administration, performing the non-exclusive functions and duties of the Chief Financial Officer

and Assistant Secretary for Administration

U.S. Department of Commerce

**FROM:** Frederick J. Meny, Jr.

Assistant Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation

**SUBJECT:** Audit of Grants Enterprise Management System (GEMS) Program

Implementation (#2023-467)

We are initiating an audit to assess the U.S. Department of Commerce's management and implementation of the Grants Enterprise Management System (GEMS) program.

We will contact your audit liaison to schedule an entrance conference, at which time we will discuss in further detail the specific nature of our audit—including our objective, scope, and time frames. In the meantime, we will begin coordinating with GEMS program officials to request documents and other information.

If you have any questions about this audit, please contact me at (202) 793-2938 or Kevin Ryan, Director for Audit and Evaluation, System Analysis and NOAA Programs, at (202) 750-5190.

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

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