

April 28, 2017

MEMORANDUM FOR:

Lisa Casias

Deputy Assistant Secretary for Administration Performing the Non-Exclusive Duties of the Chief Financial Officer/Assistant Secretary of Administration

FROM:

Richard Bachman Assistant Inspector General for Financial and Intellectual Property Audits

SUBJECT:

Audit of the Department's Digital Accountability and Transparency Act of 2014 (DATA Act) Submission

Our office contracted KPMG LLP to audit the Department's fiscal year (FY) 2017, second quarter DATA Act submission to the Department of the Treasury for publication on USASpending.gov. The audit will be conducted in accordance with *Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards*.

The objectives of the audit are to (1) assess the completeness, timeliness, quality, and accuracy of FY 2017, second quarter financial and award data submitted to Treasury for publication on USASpending.gov, and (2) assess the implementation and use of the government-wide financial data standards established by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and Treasury.

My office will oversee the progress of the audit and ensure that KPMG performs the audit in accordance with applicable professional standards and the terms of the contract.

An entrance conference for this audit will be held on May 2, 2017, to discuss the audit objectives and timeframe. If you have any questions, please call me at (202) 482-2877 or Patricia McBarnette, Audit Director, at (202) 482-3391. We thank you in advance for your cooperation during this review.

cc: Steve Kunze, Deputy Chief Financial Officer and Director for Financial Management, Office of the Secretary MaryAnn Mausser, Audit Liaison, Office of the Secretary