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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Richard W. Spinrad, Ph.D.  
Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere and  
NOAA Administrator  
National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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**FROM:** Frederick J. Meny, Jr.  
Assistant Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation

**SUBJECT:** Audit of NESDIS' Transition of Ground System Capabilities to its  
Common Cloud Framework (#2023-458)

We are initiating an audit of NOAA's National Environmental Satellite, Data, and Information Service (NESDIS) Common Cloud Framework (NCCF) program. Our objective is to assess NESDIS' progress implementing the NCCF.

We intend to hold an entrance conference, at which time we will discuss our objective in more detail. In the meantime, we will begin coordinating with NESDIS and Office of Satellite Ground Services officials to request documents and other information.

If you have any questions about this audit, please contact me at (202) 793-2938; Kevin Ryan, Director for Audit and Evaluation, Systems Analysis and NOAA Programs, at (202) 750-5190; or Edward Kell, Director for Audit and Evaluation, Satellite Programs, at (202) 753-6125.

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

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