Memorandum

Subject: **INFORMATION**: Audit Announcement – DOT's Information Security Continuous Monitoring (ISCM) Program Department of Transportation Project No. 17F3004F000

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The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) requires agencies to implement information security continuous monitoring (ISCM), which entails the near real-time detection of cybersecurity risks, threats, and malicious activity. ISCM enables agencies to more effectively address evolving, more frequent, and increasingly aggressive cybersecurity threats and attempts to compromise agency systems. Because of the large number of Department of Transportation (DOT) systems that contain sensitive data that require protection, we are initiating this audit of DOT's ISCM program. This audit will also support our annual Federal Information Security Modernization Act audit.

Our audit objectives are to assess (1) how DOT's ISCM program conforms to OMB and National Institute of Standards and Technology requirements and (2) the status and progress of DOT's implementation of its ISCM program.

We plan to begin this audit in February 2017 and will conduct it at Department and Operating Administration Headquarters offices in Washington, DC. We will contact your audit liaisons to schedule an entrance conference. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (202) 366-1407 or Abdil Salah, Program Director, at (202) 366-8543.

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