



Memorandum

**U.S. Department of
Transportation**
Office of the Secretary
of Transportation
Office of Inspector General

Subject: INFORMATION: Audit Announcement
Use of Contract Audit Services, DOT
Project Number: 03F3009F000

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The Office of Inspector General is initiating an audit of the use of contract audit services by all Department of Transportation (DOT) Operating Administrations. Congress has directed that audits of contractors performing work for DOT must be performed to determine the reasonableness of proposed costs prior to contract award and the appropriateness of costs charged to the Government. The objective of the audit is to determine whether DOT and its Operating Administrations are obtaining contract audit services in accordance with policies, procedures, and acquisition regulations. We also will evaluate whether information contained in contract audit reports is coordinated with Operating Administrations to ensure the most effective use of contract audit reports.

We will contact your audit liaison to establish an entrance conference to discuss the audit. We will start the audit in February 2003. The Program Director for the project is Keith Cosper and the Project Manager is Joanne Wallis. For any additional information, please call Keith Cosper or me at x61496.

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