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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

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Robert Fairweather, Acting Director Office of Management and Budget 725 17th Street, NW Washington, DC 20503

Dear Mr. Fairweather:

In accordance with the *Government Charge Card Abuse Prevention Act of* 2012 (Public Law 112-194), I am providing my annual report on the progress of implementation of any charge card related audit recommendations issued by my office.

Regarding my office's oversight of the Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Council's (Council) government charge card program, no charge card related audit findings and recommendations have been issued. My office conducted a risk assessment of the Council's charge card and convenience check program in fiscal year 2020. In our September 2020 memorandum, *Risk Assessment of the Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Council's Charge Card and Convenience Check Program* (OIG-CA-20-031; September 2, 2020), we reported that the risk of illegal, improper, or erroneous purchases and payments in Council's charge card and convenience check program was low for the period comprising the third quarter of fiscal year 2018 though fiscal year 2019. As such, no audits of the Council's charge card and convenience check program are planned at this time.

Effective August 2019, the Office of Management and Budget Circular No. A-123, Appendix B Revised, *A Risk Management Framework for Government Charge Card Programs,* rescinded M-13-21, *Implementation of the Government Charge Card Abuse Prevention Act of 2012* that required annual charge card risk assessments. Going forward, we plan to conduct risk assessments of the Council's charge card and convenience check program on a biennial basis given that risk was assessed as low for the previous assessment periods. As such, we plan to initiate our next biennial risk assessment in fiscal year 2022 that will include charge card and convenience check activities for fiscal years 2020 and 2021. Page 2

If you have any questions, please contact me at 202-622-1090 or Deborah L. Harker, Assistant Inspector General for Audit, at 202-927-5400.

Sincerely,

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