

Memorandum

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

Subject: <u>INFORMATION:</u> Notification of Audit— DOT's Information Security Program Project Number: 04F3005F000

From: Theodore P. Alves Assistant Inspector General for Financial and Information Technology Audits Date: June 29, 2004

Reply To Attn Of: JA-20

To: Chief Information Officer, DOT

The Office of Inspector General is initiating the annual audit of the Department of Transportation's Information Security Program as required by the Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA). The audit will be conducted at DOT Headquarters in Washington, DC.

The audit objectives are to (1) assess DOT's progress in correcting weaknesses identified in last year's FISMA review, and (2) provide input to DOT's annual FISMA report by answering questions specified by the Office of Management and Budget.

We plan to review the reasonableness of DOT's systems inventory adjustments, perform a sample review of Operating Administration information systems, and scan network computers to evaluate DOT's configuration management controls.

We will contact your audit liaison to establish an entrance conference to discuss the audit. The Project Manager for the audit is Nathan Custer. If you have questions, please call Rebecca Leng, Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Information Technology and Computer Security, at (202) 366-1488 or Nathan Custer at (202) 366-5540.

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