Annual Report, "Federal Information Security Management Act: Fiscal Year 2005 Report from the Office of Inspector General" (IG-05-026, September 29, 2005)

This annual report, submitted as a memorandum from the Inspector General to the NASA Administrator, provides the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) with our independent assessment of NASA's information technology (IT) security posture. While NASA's leadership implemented several IT security improvements and was formulating plans to address many of the IT security concerns we have raised in past audits and reviews, many challenges remain. During FY 2005, we found recurring significant internal control weaknesses related to system administrator roles and responsibilities; host and network security; IT contingency plan testing and alternate processing facilities; IT risk assessments; certification of IT systems; vulnerability scanning; and peer-to-peer file sharing. The NASA Office of Inspector General will continue to focus audit and investigative resources on protecting the Agency's information assets.

The OMB's <u>Federal Information Security Management Act (FISMA) Report to Congress</u> <u>for FY 2005</u> includes information provided by our report. Our report contains NASA Information Technology/Internal Systems Data that is not routinely released under the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). To submit a FOIA request, see the <u>online guide</u>.