

Final Assessment Report 07-06, May 9, 2007, "Report on GPO Oracle Release 2 Project – Review of Statement of Work"

The OIG continues to conduct Independent Verification and Validation (IV&V) activities associated with GPO implementation of the Oracle E-Business suite. GPO is implementing certain licensed modules of the Oracle E-Business suite in a series of Incremental Operating Capabilities (IOC). The objective of IV&V is to provide GPO with an independent assessment of project status, satisfaction of user needs, and project cost effectiveness. To conduct IV&V activities, the OIG contracted with a nonprofit, scientific research and engineering corporation that operates in the public interest. To date, the OIG has conducted IV&V activities on several early implementation Oracle start-up projects. As part of this review, the OIG tasked the contractor to evaluate the Agency's draft Statement of Work (SOW) to obtain the services of a project integrator for the Oracle Release 2 project. Specifically, the contractor was tasked to evaluate the SOW to determine whether (1) the relevant sections necessary for a SOW of the size and scope of the Oracle Release 2 project were present; and (2) existing sections were fully articulated with the information required to enable full offeror scoping and Government bid evaluation.

The report, which is considered sensitive, concludes that the draft SOW needs additional detail to ensure successful performance by an integrator, including additional detail to adequately scope the work to be performed. Although formal recommendations were not made to GPO, comments and recommendations intended to strengthen the SOW were provided to management and the GPO Oracle Project team.