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SUBJECT: Requirements for Earned Value Management for Major Information
Technology Investments

Earned Value Management (EVM) is a commonly-accepted mechanism for ensuring that projects are developed on-time and within their budget goals. ANSI/EIA-748-A is the federally accepted standard for EVM.¹ OMB policy directs that all major IT investments with development, modernization or enhancement (D/M/E) spending must utilize EVM and be ANSI/EIA-748-A compliant. USDA is updating the Departmental Regulation 3130-006, Information Technology Earned Value Management to reflect this policy.

To implement this policy, the following actions are required for all major FY 2009 IT investments that are expected to have D/M/E spending in FY 2008:

- All contracts, existing or new, used for development efforts, must include a clause that requires the use of EVM in their contracts by **July 31, 2007**.²
- All existing and new major IT investments must be certified to ANSI/EIA-748-A compliant by **August 31, 2007**. This typically means that they must complete an Integrated Baseline Review (IBR) to ensure that they are meeting the 32 standards within ANSI/EIA-748-A.
- Project plans and EVM data for all major investments with D/M/E spending are to be entered into WorkLenz by **August 31, 2007**. This will assist in our efforts to track EVM statistics and manage investments at the portfolio level.
- Agencies are to update WorkLenz with EVM data by **the fifth work day of the month**. All agencies with IT investments listed on the attachment, not currently reporting EVM, must report EVM through WorkLenz by **September 7, 2007**. This report is provided to OMB each month. Investments with cost or schedule variances greater than 10% will be required to provide a Correct Action Report to OCIO.

USDA must begin reporting monthly EVM statistics for all major IT investments with D/M/E spending in September to coincide with the Exhibit 300 submissions of these major investments to OMB. EVM compliance is also part of Expanded Electronic

¹ For more information on EVM and ANSI/EIA-748-A, please see the OCIO CPIC Guide link found at http://www.ocio.usda.gov/cpic/usda_cpic_material.html.

² For appropriate contract language please see the Federal Acquisition Regulation, Subpart 34.2—Earned Value Management System.

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Government section of the President's Management Agenda and continues to be an item evaluated each rating period.

Attached is a list of major IT investments that are required to meet this policy by the stated deadlines. As always, we appreciate the effort and support of you and your staffs. If you have any questions, please call me at 202-720-8833 or contact Chris Niedermayer at 202-690-2118.

Attachment: FY09 Majors with FY08 DME Funding

cc: Agency Chief Information Officers

Expanded EVM List

2008 UPI	Agency	FY09 Major Investments	FY08 DMEP	Currently Reporting
005-45-01-61-01-8012-00-405-143	AMS	Web-based Supply Chain Management	Y	N
005-32-01-61-01-2001-00-114-043	APHIS	APHIS Comprehensive Electronic Permit System (ePermits)	Y	Y
005-32-01-61-02-9010-00-110-	APHIS	National Animal Identification System (NAIS)	Y	N
005-32-02-01-01-1010-00-404-139	APHIS	APHIS Information Technology Infrastructure (AITI)	Y	N
005-03-01-81-01-1020-00-405-143	DA	Integrated Acquisition System (IAS)	Y	Y
005-03-01-81-01-9870-24-111-034	DA	Enterprise Physical Access Control System (ePACS)	Y	N
005-68-02-51-01-0001-00-404-139	FAS	FAS Infrastructure, Office Automation, and Telecommunications (IOAT)	Y	N
005-96-01-11-01-0172-00-404-142	FS	FPA-P2-Fire Program Analysis System- Phase 2	Y	Y
New	FS	VIPR - Virtual Incident Procurement	Y	N
005-49-01-01-01-0106-00-402-129	FSA	Consolidated Financial Management Information Systems	Y	N
005-49-01-51-01-0084-00-404-142	FSA	Geographic Information System (GIS) 0084	Y	Y
005-49-01-51-01-0097-00-105-014	FSA	Farm Program Modernization (MIDAS)	Y	N
005-49-01-51-01-0103-00-105-014	FSA	Consolidated Farm Loan Program Information and Delivery System #0103	Y	Y
005-49-01-61-01-1010-00-405-144	FSA	Processed Commodity Inventory Management System (PCIMS) - FSA, FNS, AMS	Y	N
005-49-02-01-02-0109-00-404-139	FSA	Consolidated Enterprise Architecture and Common Infrastructure #0109	Y	N
005-35-01-61-01-1310-00-110-246	FSIS	FSIS Public Health Information Consolidation Projects (PHICP)	Y	Y
005-53-01-11-01-0013-00-108-023	NRCS	NRCS-Water and Climate Information System (W&C)	Y	N
005-53-01-11-01-1000-00-117-057	NRCS	NRCS - Natural Resource Information, Inventory & Assessment	Y	Y
005-53-01-11-01-2000-00-117-057	NRCS	NRCS - Conservation Program Delivery	Y	Y
005-03-01-01-01-1000-00-402-124	OCFO	Corporate Property Automated Information System	Y	N
005-03-01-01-01-1020-00-402-124	OCFO	Corporate Financial Management Systems	Y	N
005-03-01-01-01-1102-00-402-124	OCFO	Financial Management Modernization Initiative	Y	N
005-03-01-01-01-1226-24-403-253	OCFO	Human Resources Line of Business: Service Center	Y	Y
005-03-02-01-01-0251-00-104-008	OCIO	Enterprise Contingency Planning Program (ECPD) (Formerly LDRPS)	Y	N
New	OCIO	USDA Identity and Access Management	Y	N
005-55-01-01-01-1030-00-402-124	RD	LOAN Servicing Technology for American Rural Residents (LOAN STARR)	Y	N
005-55-01-01-01-1070-00-402-124	RD	Commercial (formerly RULLS)	Y	Y
005-47-01-51-02-0013-00-404-142	RMA	RMA-13 Emerging Information Technology Architecture - Electronic Written Agreement Project	Y	N
005-47-02-01-01-0004-00-404-139	RMA	RMA-04 - Infrastructure Modernization, Support, and Training	Y	N

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