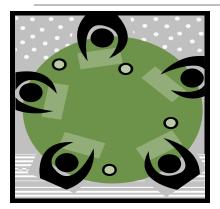
# Inspection and Evaluation Committee

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### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

The next I&E Roundtable meeting will be held January 26. The I&E Committee will meet in early February. Details will be in our next newsletter.

A YEAR OF ACCOMPLISHMENT AND REFLECTION COMES TO AN END

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The official release of the I&E Com-

#### **JANUARY**

mittee's Quality Standards for Inspections and Evaluations. The newly revised standards were distributed to I&E Roundtable mem-**Greetings and Best** Wishes for a Wonderful bers and were sent Holiday Season! to the Govern-I Would Like to Extend ment Accountabil-Special Thanks to Members of the I & E Commitity Office and the tee, Roundtable, and the Association of In-**Entire PCIE for All Your** spectors General. Hard Work in 2005! ~Johnnie Frazier In addition, 250 copies were provided to state and local representatives. National Science Foundation (NSF) IG Tina Boesz reports the standards have reached Beijing, China; Bonn, Germany; and Dublin, Ireland.

#### **FEBRUARY**

Veterans Administration (VA) OIG hosts I&E Roundtable meeting. IG Griffin reported that his Office of Healthcare Inspections, headed by Dr. David Daigh, uses a proactive approach to ensure that veterans are getting the care they deserve. VA's inspection unit reviews VA hospitals, clinics, nursing homes, and other health-care facilities on a cyclical basis. VA inspectors often have worked cooperatively with VA OIG auditors and investigators on investigations at VA hospitals and health care facilities.

#### **APRIL**

I&E Committee meeting is hosted by the Justice OIG.
Glenn Fine, inspector general for DOJ, highlights cooperative efforts among his staff, noting a recent joint

review of judicial security and an evaluation of information accessibility by OIGs.

### MAY

The I&E Committee's 2004 Annual Report was distributed at the PCIE/ECIE

retreat in Philadelphia. The report highlights the Committee and Roundtable's recent work, including the new *Quality Standards for Inspection*, and the results from the February 2004 survey of I&E units. The annual report also features the ongoing project on disaster and emergency preparedness.

#### JUNE

U.S. Government Printing Office (GPO) hosts I&E Roundtable members. IG Bower notes GPO OIG is the only legislative branch OIG that participates in the PCIE/ECIE.

#### MAY

IG Krongard assumes the State IG post and is the first of two new I&E Committee members. Mr. Krongard comes to State after serving as counsel to an international law firm.

#### JULY

Farm Credit Administration (FCA) announces its new IG, Carl Clinefelter. Mr. Clinefelter assumes this position and membership on the I&E Committee after joining FCA in 1980 and serving the agency in many capacities.

#### **OCTOBER**

Joint I&E Committee and Roundtable meeting takes place at the Commerce OIG. IG Frazier welcomes everyone and urges them to work together to oversee Hurricane Katrina relief and recovery efforts. Ideas for several new I&E projects are discussed.

#### **NOVEMBER**

Association of Inspectors General (AIG) holds its semiannual confer-

#### **GET THE SCOOP!**

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ence in Old Town Alexandria. More than 100 representatives from federal, state, and local OIGs gather for the 3-day conference to discuss the "Role of the IG in Homeland Defense." Johnnie Frazier hosts panel on I&E issues.

# **I&E COMMUNITY COMES**TOGETHER: *HIGHLIGHTS FROM 2005*

BEST PRACTICES GUIDE FOR RE-VIEWING DISASTER PREPARED-NESS

A Few Projects of Note

The disaster preparedness working group is still working on a guide that will focus on preparedness, response, and continuity of operations and could be useful to other agencies reviewing disaster/emergency preparedness. Representatives from the Departments of Commerce, Education, Homeland Security, and Energy, Environmental Protection Agency, Defense Intelligence Agency, Federal Election Commission, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, and the National Reconnaissance Office have all collaborated on the project.

The working group met April 28 to define the scope of the project and on June 2, presented its first draft to I&E Roundtable members. Following its second working group meeting, November 1, the Defense Intelligence Agency is consolidating agency comments and formulating a second draft. The working group encourages other agencies to provide input and best practices identified during their reviews.

# I&E WORKERS' COMPENSATION WORKING GROUP

Interior, Labor, U.S. Postal Service, Veterans Administration, Education, Social Security Administration, and Commerce OIGs have completed or are in the process of doing Federal Employees Compensation Act (FECA) work in their respective agencies. They are making tremendous headway in part because the OIGs are working closely together to share fraud indicators, best practices, patterns/cases of abuse, and areas of management neglect or mismanagement.

### I&E MEMBERS HONORED AT THE 8TH ANNUAL PCIE/ECIE AWARDS CEREMONY

PCIE Evaluations Award for Excellence

#### Justice OIG

Federal Firearms Licensee Inspection Team and Terrorism Task Force Inspections Team

## Environmental Protection Agency OIG

Mercury Team

### EPA/Multiagency OIGs

e-learning Pilot IGEL Team

# The Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation OIG

Limited-Charter Depository Institutions Evaluation Team

#### Health and Human Services OIG

Cross-Regional Medicaid Drug Team

I&E units from the following ECIE OIGs also won awards: FCA and GPO.