

Spotlight

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Why This Matters

The American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (Recovery Act) appropriated \$210 million to the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) for building or repairing non-Federal fire stations. This is one of a series of audits that we are performing to help ensure that Recovery Act funds were used for authorized purposes.

The objective of this audit was to determine whether costs invoiced by the Newport News, Virginia, Fire Department for fire station construction were allowable, allocable, and reasonable.

DHS Response

We did not require a response to this report because the report did not contain any recommendation.

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Review of Costs Invoiced by the Newport News Fire Department

What We Determined

We determined that the Newport News Fire Department invoiced sufficient allowable, allocable, and reasonable costs to earn the \$2,597,425 provided under the grant. In addition, we verified that the Fire Department submitted to the Federal Government the required quarterly reports on project activities. We also determined that the Fire Department complied with the grant and Recovery Act requirements for paying prevailing wages and using American iron, steel, and manufactured goods in the construction of the project.