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We evaluated the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) and its organizational component disaster recovery programs at the Nebraska Avenue Complex. Our objective was to determine whether DHS components at this facility made progress in resolving the disaster recovery deficiencies we reported in May 2005. Specifically, we evaluated the ability of the DHS Office of the Chief Information Officer and the Office of Intelligence and Analysis to restore information systems processing at an alternate site if access to this shared facility was disrupted.

The audit included an onsite verification and validation of facility operational security controls and a review of DHS policies, procedures, and other appropriate contingency planning documentation. While the department has strengthened its disaster recovery planning for the Nebraska Avenue Complex, more work is needed. We briefed DHS and component officials on the results of our audit and issued a classified report. We also made four recommendations to improve the department progress in establishing its disaster recovery programs. DHS concurred with our recommendations and is already addressing the findings.



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