



Memorandum

**U.S. Department of
Transportation**

Office of the Secretary
of Transportation
Office of Inspector General

Subject: **INFORMATION:** Audit Announcement –
DOT's Implementation of the Improper Payments
Elimination and Recovery Act of 2010 During
Fiscal Year 2014
Project No. 14F3016F000

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 for

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Reply to
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To: Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs/
Chief Financial Officer

On July 22, 2010, the President signed into law the Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Act of 2010 (IPERA),¹ which includes improper payment reporting requirements for agencies and oversight requirements for inspectors general. Since the law was enacted, the Federal Government has intensified efforts to eliminate incorrect payments made from Federal program funds, including wrong amounts, duplicate payments, or payments with insufficient documentation.

As required, we are conducting an audit of the Department of Transportation's (DOT) implementation of IPERA during fiscal year 2014. Our objectives are to determine whether: (1) DOT complies with IPERA's requirements as implemented by the Office of Management and Budget, (2) the improper payment information in DOT's Annual Financial Report is accurate, and (3) DOT is meeting its improper payment reduction targets for 2014.

¹ Public Law No. 111-204 (2010).

We will begin the audit this month and plan to conduct it at DOT's Headquarters in Washington, DC. We will contact your audit liaison to schedule an entrance conference. If you have any questions, please contact George Banks, Program Director, at (410) 962-1729, or Mark Rielly, Project Manager, at (410) 962-0699.

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