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Memorandum

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^{To:} Assistant Secretary for Budget and Programs/ Chief Financial Officer

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The Office of Inspector General (OIG) is initiating an audit of the Department of Transportation's (DOT) consolidated financial statements for fiscal years 2012 and

Transportation's (DOT) consolidated financial statements for fiscal years 2012 and 2011. The audit will be conducted in accordance with generally accepted Government auditing standards and the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) Bulletin 07-04, "Audit Requirements for Federal Financial Statements."

OIG has engaged an independent audit firm, KPMG LLP, to conduct this audit, which will begin on or before February 10, 2012. Furthermore, the St. Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation has engaged Chiampou Travis Besaw & Kershner LLP to audit its component financial statements that are reported as affiliated organizational activities in DOT's financial statement notes. Both of these audits are subject to OIG oversight. The audit report on DOT's fiscal years 2012 and 2011 consolidated financial statements is due to OMB by November 15, 2012.

The audit will be conducted at DOT Headquarters in Washington, D.C., and at selected field offices. We will contact your audit liaison to schedule an entrance conference. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact me at (202) 366-1407, or Earl Hedges, Program Director, at (410) 962-1729.

cc: Chief Information Officer, DOT

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