

**QUALITY CONTROL REVIEW OF
AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR
FY 2008 AND FY 2007**

Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation

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Memorandum

**U.S. Department of
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Subject: INFORMATION: Quality Control Review of
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From: Rebecca C. Leng 
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Information Technology Audits

Reply to
Attn of: JA-20

To: Saint Lawrence Seaway Development
Corporation Administrator

The audit of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation's Financial Statements as of and for the fiscal year ended September 30, 2008, was completed by Chiampou Travis Besaw & Kershner LLP, of Amherst, New York (see Attachment). We performed a quality control review of their audit work to ensure that it complied with applicable standards. These standards include the Chief Financial Officers Act; Government Corporation Control Act; Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards; and Office of Management and Budget Bulletin 07-04, "Audit Requirements for Federal Financial Statements," as amended.

Chiampou Travis Besaw & Kershner LLP, concluded that the financial statements present fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation as of September 30, 2008, and the results of its operations and cash flows for the year then ended, in conformity with accounting principles generally accepted in the United States. The report did not include any reportable internal control weaknesses or material noncompliance issues with accounting principles, laws, or regulations. Last year's Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation financial statements were audited by other auditors, who also expressed an unqualified opinion on those statements.¹

¹ OIG Quality Control Review of Audited Financial Statements for FY 2007 and FY 2006, Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation, Report Number QC-2008-007, November 9, 2007.

Our quality control review disclosed no instances in which Chiampou Travis Besaw & Kershner LLP, did not comply with applicable auditing standards. Therefore, we are not making any recommendations, and a response to this report is not required.

We appreciate the cooperation and assistance of representatives of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation and Chiampou Travis Besaw & Kershner LLP. If we can answer any questions or be of any further assistance, please call me at (202) 366-1407 or Earl Hedges, Program Director, at (410) 962-1729.

Attachment

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