



Memorandum

U.S. Department of
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Office of the Secretary
of Transportation
Office of Inspector General

Subject: INFORMATION: Audit Announcement—
Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's
Contract Practices
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To: Federal Motor Carriers Safety Administrator

The Office of Inspector General plans to conduct an audit of the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration's (FMCSA) contracting practices. FMCSA's primary mission is to reduce crashes, injuries, and fatalities involving large trucks and buses. FMCSA's Acquisition Management Division is responsible for all contracting and related activities to fulfill the Agency's mission. FMCSA's FY 2008 budget included about \$139 million for the procurement of goods and services.

The objective of the audit is to determine whether FMCSA's contract award and administration practices comply with applicable laws and regulations and follow agency-specific guidance.

We plan to begin the audit immediately and conduct it at selected offices within the FMCSA. We will contact your audit liaison to schedule an entrance conference. The Program Director for this audit is Ken Prather. If you have any questions, please call me at (202) 366-5225 or Ken Prather at (202) 366-2985.

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