



April 19, 2016

MEMORANDUM FOR: Jay Williams
U.S. Assistant Secretary of Commerce
for Economic Development

FROM: Richard Bachman
Assistant Inspector General for Financial
and Intellectual Property Audits

SUBJECT: Audit of EDA's Public Works and Economic Adjustment
Assistance Grants Awarding Process

We are initiating an audit of EDA's awarding process pertaining to its Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance grants.

Our audit objective is to evaluate EDA's FYs 2014 and FY 2015 solicitation, evaluation, and selection processes to ensure that the Public Works and Economic Adjustment Assistance grant recipient selections were made competitively and on a merit-basis.

An entrance conference is scheduled for April 27, 2016, when we will further discuss our objective. If you have any questions, please call me at (202) 482-1855 or Susan Roy, Regional Inspector General at the Atlanta Regional Office, at (404) 730-2063.

cc: Deborah Neff, Audit Liaison, EDA