

May 9, 2024

MEMORANDUM FOR: Alan F. Estevez

Under Secretary

Bureau of Industry and Security

FROM: Frederick J. Meny, Jr.

Assistant Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation

SUBJECT: Evaluation of the Bureau of Industry and Security's Cyber Incident

Detection and Response (#2024-488)

We are initiating an evaluation of the Bureau of Industry and Security's (BIS') cyber incident detection and response. Our evaluation objective is to assess the adequacy of actions taken by BIS when detecting and responding to cyber incidents in accordance with federal and U.S. Department of Commerce requirements.

We will contact your audit liaison to schedule an entrance conference, at which time we will discuss in further detail the specific nature of our evaluation—including our objective and scope, time frames, and any potential requests for data. If you have any questions about this evaluation, please contact me at (202) 793-2938 or Dr. Ping Sun, Director for IT Security, at (202) 793-2957.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation during this effort.

cc: Ryan A. Higgins, Acting Chief Information Officer, U.S. Department of Commerce Nathan Thweatt, Director, Office of Cybersecurity Operations Services, U.S. Department of Commerce

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