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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** André Mendes  
Chief Information Officer  
U.S. Department of Commerce

**FROM:** Frederick J. Meny, Jr.  
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**SUBJECT:** Audit of the Department's ECDM Program (#2024-472)

We are initiating an audit of the U.S. Department of Commerce's (the Department's) Enterprise Continuous Diagnostics and Mitigation (ECDM) Program. Our objective is to assess the effectiveness of the Department's ECDM Program.

We plan to begin this work immediately. 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 audit—including our objective and scope, time frames, and any potential requests for data. If you have any questions about this audit, please contact me at (202) 793-2938 or Chuck Mitchell, Director for Cybersecurity, at (202) 809-9528.

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

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