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MEMORANDUM FOR: Brian Epley
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U.S. Department of Commerce

FROM: Frederick J. Meny, Jr.
Assistant Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation

SUBJECT: Audit of the Department's Vulnerability Reporting and Resolution
Program (#2025-500)

We are initiating an audit of the U.S. Department of Commerce's Vulnerability Reporting and
Resolution Program. Our objective is to assess the effectiveness of the Department's program
for managing public-reported vulnerabilities in its public-facing information technology systems.

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.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

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