**Corrective Actions and Additional Guidance Have Improved EPA’s Fiscal Responsibility over Superfund Interagency Agreements**

**What We Found**

We found that the EPA has enhanced its fiscal responsibility over the management of IAs with the USACE since we conducted a prior audit of USACE IAs in 2007. The agency implemented corrective actions in response to the recommendations in our 2007 report (Report No. 2007-P-00021, EPA Can Improve Its Managing of Superfund Interagency Agreements with U.S. Corps of Engineers, issued April 30, 2007). The EPA also issued additional guidance regarding the management of IAs. As a result, the agency has policies and procedures in place for awarding and managing IAs and is adequately documenting justifications for using USACE IAs for Superfund work.

In addition, the EPA has an effective system in place for monitoring IA projects in terms of time, cost and outcomes. Our audit sample of 20 Region 2 IAs found that the region has been meeting time, cost and outcome expectations when managing its USACE IAs. Region 2 and the EPA’s Office of Land and Emergency Management, which administers the agency’s Superfund program, use the following tools to manage IAs with the USACE:

- Annual feedback surveys.
- Monthly progress reports and invoices.
- Bimonthly and weekly meetings and site visits.
- Integrated Grants Management System and project files.

We found that the agency is being fiscally responsible and adequately managing its USACE IAs for Superfund work. As a result, we make no new recommendations.