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MEMORANDUM

SUBJECT: Response to the Office of Inspector General Report Number 26-N-0034 "Management Alert: Alteration of the EPA's Grants Management Plan 2021-2025" sent on June 1, 2026

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TO: Nicole N. Murley, Deputy Inspector General, performing the duties of the Inspector General

This memorandum responds to the Office of Inspector General Report Number 26-N-0034 "Management Alert: Alteration of the EPA's Grants Management Plan 2021-2025" sent on June 1, 2026. Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the issues and the considerations noted in the report.

OFA RESPONSE TO MANAGEMENT ALERT REPORT:

On June 5, 2026, the EPA archived the unedited Grants Management Plan for FY 2021–2025 on the National Service Center for Environmental Publications.¹ Since statutory or regulatory requirements do not mandate the EPA Grants Management Plan, the Agency will discontinue its production. The Office of Management and Budget (OMB) and the Council on Federal Financial Assistance (COFFA) establish strategic priorities and fiscal stewardship responsibilities for grants management across the government. Accordingly, EPA grant programs will adhere to OMB and COFFA guidance.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Thank you for the opportunity to review the report. If you have any questions regarding this response, please contact Afreeka Wilson, Audit Follow-up Coordinator, in the Office of Resources and Information, at (202) 564-0867 or wilson.afreeka@epa.gov.

¹ Available at NSCEP via: <https://nepis.epa.gov/Exe/ZyPURL.cgi?Dockey=P101I15I.txt>.

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