

**Council of Inspectors General on Financial Oversight (CIGFO)**  
**December 14, 2022**  
**Video Conference Call**  
**10:00 a.m.**  
**Meeting Minutes**

**Council Members Present**

Rich Delmar, Acting Chair, Deputy Inspector General, Department of the Treasury (Treasury)  
Melissa Bruce, Acting Inspector General, Special Inspector General for Troubled Asset Relief Program  
Mark Bialek, Inspector General, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (Board)/Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB)  
Rae Oliver Davis, Inspector General, U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)  
Brian Tomney, Inspector General, Federal Housing Finance Agency (FHFA)  
James Hagen, Inspector General, National Credit Union Administration (NCUA)  
Jay Lerner, Inspector General, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC)  
Judith Ringle, Deputy Inspector General and Chief Counsel, Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC)  
Helen Albert, Acting Inspector General, U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC)

**Guests**

James Lisle, Audit Director, FHFA Office of Inspector General (OIG)  
Terry Gibson, Assistant Inspector General for Audits, Evaluations, and Cyber, FDIC OIG  
Amy Altemus, Acting Counsel to the Inspector General, Treasury OIG  
Debbie Harker, Assistant Inspector General for Audit, Treasury OIG  
Susan Barron, Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit, Treasury OIG  
Andrew Berke, Senior Advisor, Treasury OIG  
Jeffrey Hawkins, Audit Director, Treasury OIG  
Camille Callender, Assistant Counsel, Treasury OIG

At 10:04 a.m. Rich Delmar, Acting Chair, called the meeting to order and welcomed everyone. He then asked for consideration of the September 21, 2022 meeting minutes and asked if the members had any corrections or additions. Hearing none, Mr. Delmar then called for a motion to approve the minutes which was made and seconded. The minutes were approved by unanimous consent.

Mr. James Lisle, FHFA OIG, then gave an update on the CIGFO Working Group (WG) project, *Review of FSOC and Its Member Agencies' Response to the Executive Order on Climate-Related Financial Risk*. Mr. Lisle reiterated the audit's objective and stated

that the WG has completed field work. Mr. Lisle then discussed the preliminary results and conclusions and that these were shared with all of the WG members. The core WG (Treasury OIG and FHFA OIG) are developing a discussion draft report with the intent of sharing with the whole WG by the Holidays or early January. Additional discussion and questions from the CIGFO members concerned the results and how they will be presented in the report.

Mr. Lisle then gave an update on the draft audit resolution policy. Mr. Lisle reminded the group that based on the comments received from the CIGFO members, it was determined that a two-policy approach might be best so as to clearly delineate between the pre-issuance process for obtaining a management response and issuing a final report and the post-issuance resolution and follow-up process. These two policies have since been sent to the CIGFO members for review and all comments and concerns have been addressed. Mr. Lisle acknowledged the significant contributions from Treasury OIG, FRB OIG and FDIC OIG. The resulting final drafts were included in the meeting materials for today's meeting. Mr. Lisle then asked if there were any questions, hearing none he turned it over to Mr. Delmar. Mr. Delmar asked for a motion to approve the draft policies to send to FSOC which was made and seconded. On the motion to approve, all members voted to approve. Additional discussion was had on the next steps.

Ms. Amy Altemus then briefly discussed the recent FSOC Report, *Report on Digital Asset Financial Stability Risks and Regulation* and the recent collapse of FTX and its affiliates. Ms. Altemus then discussed Senate Bill 4760 - sponsored by Senators Stabenow and Boozman, titled the *Digital Commodities Consumer Protection Act (DCCPA)*. This proposed bill may assist in clarifying coverage of certain broker/dealer relationships regarding digital assets and clarifying the definitions regarding securities versus commodities. Ms. Altemus highlighted key aspects and principles of the proposed bill. While unlikely to pass before the current session ends, it is likely to reappear in the next session.

Afterwards, some brief discussion was had among the members on activities and efforts undertaken by some of the individual member OIGs with respect to digital assets. The group also discussed the July 5, 2022, Office of Government Ethics legal advisory relating to the application of the securities and mutual fund exemptions to cryptocurrency, stablecoins, and related investments.

Finally, Mr. Delmar opened the floor and discussed the potential for the group to resume in-person meetings. Mr. Delmar also observed that the CIGFO charter allows for a Vice-Chair position. He then asked for the members to consider providing input on both points.

Mr. Delmar then acknowledged the upcoming retirement of Jay Lerner and expressed his appreciation for all of his efforts and contributions over the years to CIGFO. All members extended congratulations and thanked Mr. Lerner for his valuable input.

A motion was made and seconded to adjourn and was approved by all.

The meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.