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Shalanda Young, Acting Director Office of Management and Budget 725 17th Street, NW Washington, DC 20503

Dear Ms. Young:

In accordance with the *Government Charge Card Abuse Prevention Act of* 2012 (Public Law 112-194), I am providing my annual report on the progress of implementation of any charge card related audit recommendations issued by my office.

Regarding my office's oversight of the Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Council's (Council) government charge card program, no charge card related audit findings and recommendations have been issued. My office had conducted a risk assessment of the Council's charge card and convenience check program in fiscal year 2020. In our September 2020 memorandum, *Risk Assessment of the Gulf Coast Ecosystem Restoration Council's Charge Card and Convenience Check Program* (OIG-CA-20-031; September 2, 2020), we reported that the risk of illegal, improper, or erroneous purchases and payments in the Council's charge card and convenience check program was low for the third quarter of fiscal year (FY) 2018 through the end of FY 2019.

Effective August 2019, the Office of Management and Budget Circular No. A-123, Appendix B Revised, *A Risk Management Framework for Government Charge Card Programs*, rescinded M-13-21, *Implementation of the Government Charge Card Abuse Prevention Act of 2012* that had required Inspectors General to conduct charge card risk assessments annually. Given this change, we had planned to conduct risk assessments of the Council's charge card and convenience check program on a biennial basis beginning in FY 2022. However, since March 2020, our office priorities have shifted to address new and extensive oversight responsibilities for economic relief programs established within the Department of the Treasury in response to

¹ https://oig.treasury.gov/sites/oig/files/2020-12/OIG-CA-20-031.pdf.

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the Coronavirus Disease 2019. In light of this and the results of our FY 2020 risk assessment of the Council's charge card and convenience check program, we will defer our biennial risk assessment to FY 2023. That said, we plan to monitor any changes to the Council's charge card and convenience check program that may require immediate attention by our office.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 202-528-8997 or Deborah L. Harker, Assistant Inspector General for Audit, at 202-486-1420.

Sincerely,

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