



## 16th Annual Awards Ceremony October 15th 2013

Constitution Center Auditorium

Federal Housing Finance Agency 400 7th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20024

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Acting Deputy Director for Management
Office of Management and Budget

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> Lynne A. McFarland CIGIE Vice Chair Inspector General Federal Election Commission

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ALLISON LERNER CIGIE Awards Program Co-Chair Inspector General National Science Foundation

#### JOHN MILLER

Senior Correspondent, CBS News

John Miller was named a senior correspondent for CBS News on Oct. 17, 2011. In this capacity, Mr. Miller reports for all CBS News platforms and broadcasts, including "CBS This Morning," "CBS Evening News with Scott Pelley," and occasionally for "60 Minutes."

Beginning in 2005, Mr. Miller served in the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, ending his tour as Deputy Director of the Analysis Division. Mr. Miller worked across the Intelligence Community with the CIA, NSA, FBI, and other agencies.

Before joining the FBI, he served from 2003 to 2005 as head of the Counterterrorism and Criminal Intelligence Bureau and the Major Crimes Division of the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), overseeing both the LAPD's Major Crimes Division, Hazardous Materials Unit and its Bomb Squad.

In 2002, Mr. Miller, along with co-authors Michael Stone and Chris Mitchell, wrote "The Cell: Inside the 9/11 Plot" and "Why the FBI and CIA Failed to Stop It", an investigation into the September 11 attacks, which drew on relationships developed with intelligence and law enforcement officers in the many years he spent as a journalist covering Al Qaeda as it grew into a global terrorist operation.

From 1995 to 2002, Mr. Miller was an ABC news correspondent. In 2002, he became co-anchor of the ABC News broadcast "20/20." In 1998, he secured an on-camera interview with Osama bin Laden. His diligent investigative reporting over his career earned him nine Emmy Awards, two Peabody Awards, and an Alfred I. duPont-Columbia Award.

Mr. Miller served briefly as New York City Deputy Police Commissioner from 1994–1995, after working as a television journalist at various networks and television stations from 1973 to 1994.

# Message from the Chair and the Vice Chair

Welcome to the annual awards ceremony of the Inspector General community and of the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency. We are privileged to be here today to recognize the range of accomplishments of our member agencies.

Public service is a rewarding and noble calling. Today we honor those in our community who have distinguished themselves in their endeavors and who have contributed to the well-being of the Nation. In so many ways, our community of dedicated people touches the life of every American every day—from meeting such basic human needs as food, shelter, and medical care; to creating a strong economy and infrastructure with access to education, arts, and science; to strengthening America's position at home and abroad.

And so, we congratulate this year's winners, who exemplify the best in public service. You have been chosen by your peers for your dedication, leadership, and hard work. You have taken risks, persevered, partnered with others, and faced unforeseen challenges. Thank you for everything you have done for the American people.

Phyllis K. Fong Chairperson

Phylis K. Ing

LYNNE A. McFarland Vice Chairperson Lynne G. McFarland



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In Remembrance

## LIVES LOST IN THE LINE OF DUTY

We would also like to recognize all OIG employees who have lost their lives while performing their official duties. We salute their service to the IG community and honor their sacrifice.

#### Agency for International Development

Oscar C. Holder Foreign Service Officer, Program Inspector

Sidney B. Jacques Foreign Service Officer, Program Inspector

A 1962 plane crash of a Royal Nepal airlines plane in the Himalayas resulted in the deaths of Mr. Holder and Mr. Jacques.

Charles Hega Auditor

William Stanford Auditor

In 1984, a terrorist shot and killed Mr. Hega and Mr. Stanford during a Pakistan International Airline plane hijacking in Tehran,Iran.

> Robert Hebb Auditor

Rolando Barahona Auditor

A Honduran airliner crashed on approach to the airport in Tegucigalpa, Honduras, resulting in the deaths of Mr. Hebb and Mr. Barahona in 1989.

#### Department of Housing and Urban Development

Paul Broxterman Special Agent

A victim of the Oklahoma City Bombing, Special Agent Paul Broxterman was the first HUD OIG agent killed in the line of duty. He was in his office at the Alfred Murrah Federal Building, which was destroyed on April 19,1995.

> Abdon Cabello Special Agent

Abdon Cabello, a criminal investigator, collapsed and died suddenly on Monday, April 5, 1999, during physical training at the Basic Criminal Investigator Program at the Federal Law Enforcement Training Center (FLETC) in Glynco, Georgia. He was 37 years old.

#### Department of Justice

William "Buddy" Sentner, III Special Agent

In June 2006, Special Agent Sentner was shot and killed while executing arrest warrants on six Federal Bureau of Prisons Correctional Officers at the Federal Correctional Institution in Tallahassee, Florida.

#### U.S. Postal Service

Greg R. Boss Special Agent

On November 8, 2005, Special Agent Greg Boss was killed by an aggressive driver in a vehicle accident while on-duty in Colorado.

#### Special Inspector General for Iraq Reconstruction

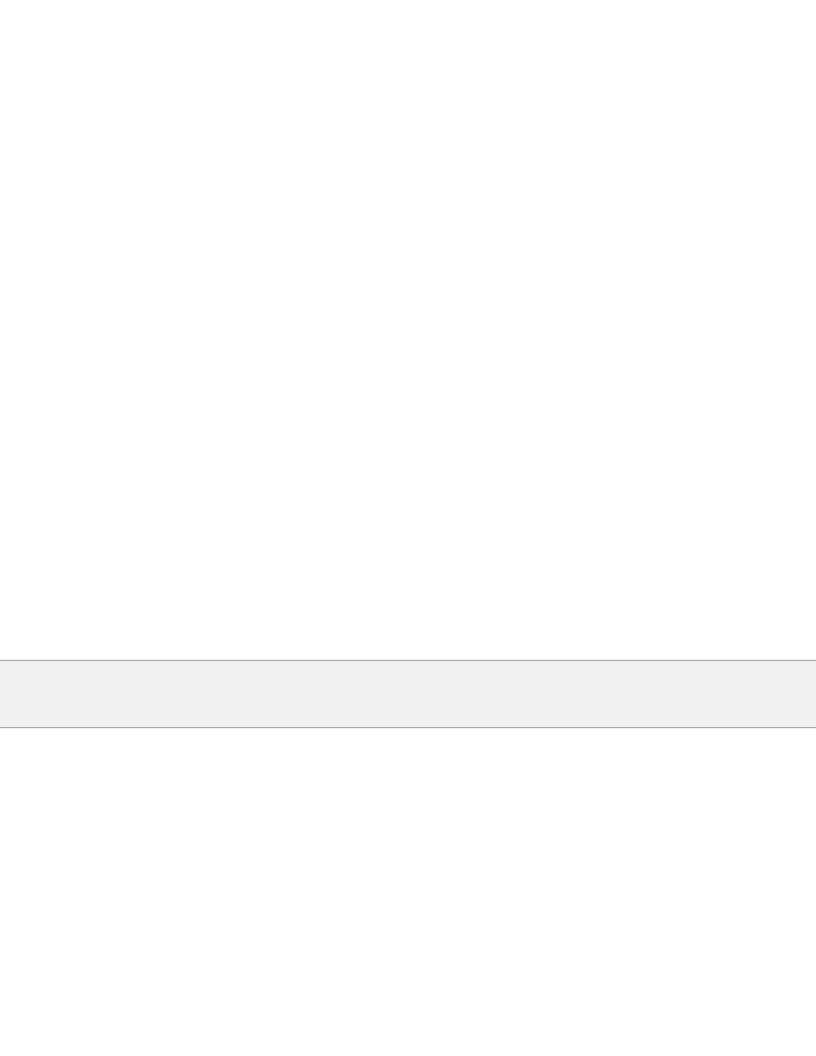
Paul Converse Auditor

On March 23, 2008, the International Zone in Baghdad was hit by indirect fire. During one of the attacks, Paul Converse was seriously wounded. He died from his injuries on March 24, 2008.

#### U.S. Department of State

Alan V. Gowing Deputy Assistant Inspector General, Office of Security and Intelligence Oversight

On December 11, 1997, Mr. Gowing died while leading a security oversight inspection of the U.S. embassy in Baku, Azerbaijan.





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Special Category Awards

#### ALEXANDER HAMILTON AWARD

## U.S. Department of Justice

Operation Fast and Furious Team

Christopher P. Degnan Special Agent

Jason R. Higley Senior Special Agent

S. Randall Humm Investigative Counsel

Allen W. Levy Investigative Counsel Jonathan A. Marks Investigative Counsel

Julie K. McConnell Investigative Counsel

M. Sean O'Neill Deputy Assistant Inspector General

> Valencia E. Philyaw Paralegal Specialist

Helen Anne Listerman Investigative Counsel

In recognition of the team's exemplary efforts in completing a review of two significant firearms trafficking investigations—Operations Wide Receiver and Fast and Furious conducted by the ATF and the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of Arizona

## Gaston L. Gianni, Jr. Better Government Award

## U.S. Department of Agriculture

Organic Fertilizer Investigation Team

Patricia M. Cassidy Special Agent

> Erika D. Marin Special Agent

Alejandro Quintero Assistant Special Agent-in-Charge Kirk E. Sherriff Assistant United States Attorney, Eastern District of California

Leif T. Sirman Special Agent, Federal Bureau of Investigations

> Colleen C. Villegas Special Agent

Sharon A. Yamaguchi Special Agent

In recognition of the courage and ingenuity demonstrated during an investigation that helped restore the integrity of USDA's National Organic Program by stopping a fraudulent organic fertilizer scheme

## GLENN/ROTH AWARD FOR EXEMPLARY SERVICE

## U.S. Department of Defense Combating Trafficking in Persons Team

Kayode Bamgbade Technical Analyst

Lloyd Blackmon DoD Contracts Advisor

Stephen V. Chiusano Team Leader

James E. Davis DoD Contracts Advisor

Andrew Fechhelm Associate General Counsel

Patricia Goodin Senior Technical Analyst Michael R. Herbaugh Senior Technical Analyst

> Robert Keating Military Advisor

David King Senior Technical Analyst

George P. Marquardt Project Manager

Michael McClellan Senior Technical Analyst

> Timothy Reutter Technical Analyst

Gregory Sampson Technical Analyst

In recognition of exceptional performance assessing DoD efforts to combat trafficking in persons, specifically those which may occur as a consequence of DoD contracts, in response to Congressional concerns

#### Sentner Award for Dedication and Courage

#### Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction

Peter S. Hughes Special Agent

In recognition of courage and uncommon selflessness in detecting contractor fraud that caused widespread security vulnerabilities and enabled roadside bombings in Afghanistan

## June Gibbs Brown Career Achievement Award

## U.S. Department of the Treasury

Joel Grover Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Financial Management and IT Audits (Retired)

> In Recognition of Mr. Grover's Many Years of Exemplary Service to Improve Federal Financial Management

## Award for Individual Accomplishment

### U.S. Department of Health and Human Services

Abigail Cummings Chief, Advice Branch

In recognition of exemplary, sustained, and dedicated service to the mission of the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency through vision and leadership in shaping and interpreting mission-critical legal authorities



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Barry R. Snyder Joint Award

# Council of Inspectors General on Financial Oversight Working Group

## A. Roy Lavik, Inspector General Commodity Futures Trading Commission

Antonio Baptiste Senior Auditor Edward Kelley Acting Assistant Inspector General for Audits

Judy Ringle Attorney/Advisor

## Jon T. Rymer, Inspector General Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation

Stephen Beard Deputy Inspector General for Audits and Evaluations

> Arlene Boateng Senior Audit Specialist

Leslee Bollea Congressional Relations Director

> Daniel Craven Senior IT Specialist

John Davidovich Counsel to the Inspector General

> Fred Gibson Deputy Inspector General

Judith Hoyle IT Auditor-in-Charge

Mark Mulholland Assistant Inspector General for Audits

> Adriana Rojas Associate Counsel

Teresa Supples Office Support Specialist

Sharon Tushin Senior Communications Manager

> Margaret Wolf Supervisory Auditor

# **Steve Linick, Inspector General** Federal Housing Finance Agency

Brian Baker Deputy Chief Counsel

> Andrew Gegor Auditor

Brent Melson Director, Information Management

Russell Rau Deputy Inspector General for Audits

#### Mark Bialek, Inspector General

### Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System and Consumer Financial Protection Bureau

Anthony (Tony) Castaldo Associate Inspector General for Inspections and Evaluations (Retired)

> Trevor N. Gaskins Auditor, Inspector General

Charles M. Liuksila Auditor Laura R. Shakarji OIG Manager

Michael P. VanHuysen Senior OIG Manager

#### James Hagen, Inspector General National Credit Union Administration

Charles Funderburk Senior Auditor

Marvin Stith IT Auditor

## Carl W. Hoecker, Inspector General Securities and Exchange Commission

Kelli Brown-Barnes Audit Manager Brenda Eberle Audit Assistant

Russell A. Moore Senior Auditor

## Eric M. Thorson, Inspector General

U.S. Department of Treasury

Chair, Council of Inspectors General on Financial Oversight

Theresa Cameron Marla Freedman
Audit Manager Assistant Inspector General for Audit

Tim Cargill Patrick Gallagher

Auditor Auditor

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Dana Duvall
Auditor
Jen Ksanznak
Auditor

Jeff Dye Susan Marshall
Audit Director CIGFO Executive Director

Robert Taylor Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit

In recognition of outstanding collaborative efforts to identify the security gaps in non-public information-sharing among members of the Financial Stability Oversight Council



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Awards for Excellence

### Administrative Support Award for Excellence

#### Federal Housing Finance Agency FHFA-OIG Office of Administration

David A. Bonorchis Information Technology Specialist

> Roberto F. Ecarma Financial Specialist

Patrick L. Krepel Budget Analyst

Deborah M. Mason Director, Human Resources Management

T. Scott Mitchell Administrative Programs Specialist

Ivy D. Porter Senior Human Resources Specialist

Tammy M. Ross Human Resources Specialist

Adam D. Silverman Deputy Inspector General for Administration Steve Smarr Information Technology Specialist

Kristin E. Sneed Director, Budget and Financial Management

> John D. Sutherland Senior Human Resources Specialist

Brian E. Terhaar Director, Administrative Services

Alexis L. Tune Administrative Programs Assistant

Josui Watson Equal Employment Opportunity Specialist

> Christopher S. Webber Chief Information Officer

> > Betty W. Wong Program Analyst

In recognition of extraordinary team commitment and leadership in establishing the FHFA-OIG Office of Administration that consistently provides comprehensive, high quality, high functioning services and support

#### National Aeronautics and Space Administration

Janice L. Chiverton Director, Human Resources Director, NASA Office of Inspector General (former)

In recognition of exemplary commitment and vision in developing proactive Human Capital solutions to support NASA OIG and the CIGIE community

### AUDIT AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE

### Agency for International Development

USAID/Afghanistan Incentives Driving Economic Alternatives-North, East, and West Audit Team

Nathan Lokos Director, OIG/Afghanistan (former) Clare Sabo Auditor

Augusto Urrego Lead Auditor

In recognition of exceptional audit work leading to improvements in mission-critical USAID activities in Afghanistan

## U.S. Department of Agriculture Beef Safety Testing Team

Richard Arnold Senior Auditor

James A. Eason Auditor

Larry Ellis Assistant Director

Adam Halperin Auditor

Jeff Harpenau Senior Auditor

Christopher M. Harris *Auditor* 

Ralph Leeper Senior Auditor Michael Martin

Supervisory Writer-Editor, Writing and Publications Division

Joseph Mickiewicz Director, Food, Nutrition, Marketing and Development Division

Jeffrey Nowak Assistant Director, Food, Nutrition, Marketing and Development Division

> Ronda Price Director

Derek Repp Auditor

Steve Rickrode Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit

In recognition of the audit team's exemplary work to increase the safety of American beef by identifying and helping to correct weaknesses in the Food Safety and Inspection Services' E. coli sampling protocol

## Controls over the Grant Management Process of the Office of Advocacy and Outreach

Dorothy Alley Assistant Director, Farm, Trade, Research, and Environmental Division

Rodney DeSmet Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Audit

> Ernest Hayashi Director, Farm, Trade, Research, and Environmental Division

> > Donte Jones Auditor

Paul T. Keating Director

Turon Kendrick Auditor

James Myers Senior Auditor

Yarisis Rivera-Rojas Assistant Director

In recognition of the team's efforts to evaluate the grant management process used to award FY2012 Outreach and Assistance for Socially Disadvantaged Farmers and Rancher grants and ensure that the most meritorious and deserving applicants received funds

# Amtrak Amtrak Office of the Inspector General Audit Team

Jana BrodskySatish ParikhSenior AuditorSenior AuditorDaniel KruegerRaymond ZhangSenior DirectorSenior Auditor

In recognition of an exemplary achievement that included identifying over \$91 million in overpayments and recommending the necessary corrective actions to improve Amtrak's invoice-review process

#### U.S. Department of Defense G222 Audit Team

Sarah M. Beckwith Kendall A. Miller

Auditor Auditor

Randall M. Critchlow Helen Scalf
Auditor Auditor

Christopher A. DePerro
Daniel Ulas
Audit Team Leader
Auditor

Shelly M. Farber Kenneth B. VanHove
Audit Team Leader Audit Program Director

Carrie A. Wade Audit Project Manager

In Recognition of Exceptional Performance by the Cleveland Audit Team during their Audit of the Cost and Availability of Spare Parts for the G222

#### Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business Audit Team

Shaneen Beamish Lusk Penn
Team Leader Statistician

James Kornides Eric Thacker
Program Director Project Manager

Keila Pagan-Fortis Amber White Statistician Auditor

> In recognition of excellence in the Audit of Service-Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business

### U.S. Department of Energy Washington & Pittsburgh Audit Groups

Eric Anderson Andrew Morgan
Central Audits Assistant Division Director Auditor, Washington DC Audit Group

Amy Campbell Sarah Nelson Auditor-in-Charge, Pittsburgh Audit Group Auditor, Oak Ridge Audit Group

Sonya Cerne Jack Rouch
Team Leader, Washington DC Audit Group Central Audits Division Director

Michael D'Antonio Veronica Rutt
Auditor-in-Charge, Pittsburgh Technology Audit Group Team Leader, Pittsburgh Audit Group

Matthew Fryer Sean Strauman

Auditor, Washington DC Audit Group Auditor-in-Charge, Pittsburgh Audit Group

Tori Kaufman Aaron Webb Auditor, Washington DC Audit Group Eastern Audits Assistant Division Director

Katie Kimmel Daniel Weeber

Auditor, Washington DC Audit Group Eastern Audits Division Director

Tara Lewis Todd Wisniewski
Central Audits Assistant Division Director Eastern Audits Assistant Division Director

In recognition of outstanding audit work which identified program weaknesses and necessary improvements in the Department of Energy's monitoring and oversight of American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 grants and cooperative agreements

# Environmental Protection Agency EPA OIG Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board Audit Team

Michael D. Davis Director, Efficiency Audits, Office of Audit Vanessa Rodriguez-Moya Auditor, Efficiency Audits, Office of Audit

Anthony Grear Auditor, Efficiency Audits, Office of Audit Gail Saunders Project Manager, Efficiency Audits, Office of Audit

Laura Polly Editor, Office of Congressional and Public Affairs Myka Sparrow Auditor, Financial Audits, Office of Audit

Gloria Taylor-Upshaw Project Manager, Efficiency Audits, Office of Audit

In recognition of the audit team's significant effort, contribution and extraordinary achievement in assisting CSB in its efforts to protect the general public health and environment through improved safety recommendation processes

## Federal Housing Finance Agency Audit Report Team for FHFA's Oversight of the Enterprises' Management of High-Risk Seller/Servicers

Cairo J. Carr
Senior Auditor

Alisa J. Davis
Audit Director

Chau L. Dinh
Audit Manager

Damon M. Jackson
Senior Auditor

Drew W. Smith
Audit Manager

Darryl G. Stephens
Senior Writer-Editor

In recognition of outstanding audit accomplishments in support of contingency planning for mortgage lenders and servicers that pose substantial financial risk to taxpayers

## U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Medicare Outpatient Services Audit Team

Jennifer Bader Debra Keasling Auditor Audit Manager Lolita Bradley Kimberly Kennedy Senior Auditor Senior Auditor Julie Brown Tom Lin Senior Auditor Audit Manager Rodney Brown Shirley Loos Senior Auditor Senior Auditor John Carlucci Sharon Melvin Senior Auditor Senior Auditor Marianne Cholakian Alice Norwood Audit Director Audit Manager Tate Clark Leslie Preuss Audit Manager Senior Auditor

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Alexandria Hayden Bernard Siegel
Senior Auditor Audit Manager

Brandi Horner Stephen Slamar Senior Auditor Audit Manager

Dorota Horton Nivee Woodard
Auditor Senior Auditor

Jeffrey Jacobs Iman Zbinden
Audit Manager Senior Auditor

Timothy Zorich Auditor

In recognition of outstanding efforts in connection with a nationwide series of audits of Medicare outpatient services in which the payments exceeded the charges

### U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development Bartlesville Health Care Center, Inc. Settlement Team

William Cerbone Attorney Kenneth Massman Attorney

Daniel Fruchter
Attorney

William W. Nixon Assistant Regional Inspector General for Audit

Gerald R. Kirkland Regional Inspector General for Audit

Tamara Wallinger Senior Auditor

In recognition of outstanding audit work and resolution that resulted in the government receiving \$5.325 million in restitution

## U.S. Department of Justice

Audit of the U.S. Department of Justice's Oversight of Non-Federal Detention Facility Inspections

Todd A. Anderson Assistant Regional Audit Manager

> Teka J. Benisrael Auditor-in-Charge

Stephen W. Betzner Program Analyst Elizabeth M. Cuda Program Analyst

David S. Laun Program Manager

Karen L. Montgomery Auditor

Carol S. Taraszka Regional Audit Manager

In recognition of the team's outstanding efforts to improve the efficiency and effectiveness of DOJ's oversight of non-federal detention facilities inspections

## U.S. Department of Labor Green Jobs Training Outcomes Audit Team

Nadeem Afzal Lora Latterner
Auditor Program Analyst

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Lawrence Alli} & & \text{Andrew Loomis} \\ \text{Auditor} & & \text{Auditor} \end{array}$ 

Ajit Buttar Reza Noorani Statistician Auditor

Mary Louise Casazza Eliacim Nieves Perez
Auditor Auditor

Grover Fowler, Jr. Susan Rosenblum
Auditor Program Risk Manager

Mitchell Goldberg Mark Schwartz

IT Specialist Supervisory Auditor

Cardelia Tsoi Supervisory Auditor

In recognition of audit excellence in documenting the return on investment and demonstrating the challenges in advancing employment in green jobs under the Department of Labor's \$500 million Recovery Act investment

## National Aeronautics and Space Administration NASA Office of Inspector General Audit Team for Review of NASA's Explosives Safety Program

Simon Chan Management Analyst

Noreen Khan-Mayberry, Ph.D. Technical Evaluator Raymond Tolomeo Director, Science and Aeronautics Research Directorate

> Ronald M. Yarbrough Project Manager

Jiang Yun Lu Team Lead

In recognition of exceptional performance in identifying unsafe conditions and practices in NASA's Explosives Safety Program

### Nuclear Regulatory Commission The Nuclear Reactor Safety Audit Team

Kevin J. Nietmann Senior Technical Advisor Larry J. Weglicki Senior Auditor

Jaclyn H. Storch Audit Manager Robert K. Wild Team Leader

Timothy Wilson Senior Management Analyst

For exceptional performance in identifying weaknesses in the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's implementation of a program intended to ensure that new nuclear power plants are constructed in accordance with the licensed design

# Peace Corps Audit of Peace Corps Tonga

Bradley Grubb Assistant Inspector General for Audit

Snehal Nanavati Lead Auditor

In recognition of the significant contributions to enhancing agency controls over cash management, reconciliations, and collections processes at overseas post

### Securities and Exchange Commission Records Management Team

Julie Marlow Senior Auditor

Jacqueline Wilson Assistant Inspector General for Audits

In recognition of exceptional performance in identifying systemic weaknesses in the SEC's records management program

#### **Small Business Administration**

Audit Team for A Detailed Repayment Ability Analysis is Needed on High-Dollar Early-Defaulted Loans to Prevent Future Improper Payments

> Luke Itnyre Audit Manager

Katie Boutwell
Auditor

Terry Settle Director, Credit Programs Group

For excellence in identifying significant deficiencies and future cost savings in the SBA's loan purchase process that will prevent tens of millions of dollars in government losses

#### Social Security Administration

Improper Payments to Social Security Beneficiaries under the Windfall Elimination Provision and Government Pension Offset Team

Diane L. Dona Leticia A. Lew Program Analyst Program Analyst Joseph I. Robleto Cassandra Hall Management Analyst Audit Manager Peter W. Johnson Shirley E. Todd Division Director Attorney William T. Kearns Randy J. Townsley IT Specialist Audit Manager James J. Klein Upeksha van der Merwe Division Director Auditor Linda A. Webester N. Brennan Kraje Statistician Senior Auditor

For identifying over \$1.7 billion in savings to the Social Security Trust Funds

#### SSI Program Integrity Review Team

Chad M. Burns James Kim Senior Auditor Senior Analyst Rajula J. Chandran N. Brennan Kraje Senior IT Specialist Statistician Lewis A. Dardick David Mazzola Attorney-Advisor Audit Manager Katie I. Greenwood Timothy Nee Senior Auditor Division Director Christine A. Hauss Judith M. Oliveira Audit Manager Division Director Alla Resman Vincent Huang Program Analyst IT Specialist Kevin M. Joyce Frank J. Salamone IT Specialist Senior Auditor

For identifying millions of dollars in improper payments and recommending improvements for the SSI program

### Special Inspector General for Afghanistan Reconstruction Afghan National Police Vehicle Maintenance Team

Mia E. Bonarski Methodologist Adriel M. Harari Senior Auditor

Daniel Chen Senior Program Analyst Jeffrey Itell Senior Program Analyst

In recognition of audit excellence in identifying actions for preventing the waste of millions of dollars to maintain destroyed or missing vehicles used by the Afghan National Police

#### U.S. Department of State

Worldwide Protective Services Contract—Task Order 5 for Baghdad Movement Security Audit Team

Yvonne Athanasaw Senior Management Analyst, Middle East Region Operations Directorate, Office of Audits

Kelly Moon Audit Manager, Middle East Region Operations Directorate, Office of Audits

Amy Lowenstein Management Analyst, Middle East Region Operations Directorate, Office of Audits Jim Pollard Audit Director, Middle East Region Operations Directorate, Office of Audits

Lloyd Taylor Management Analyst, Middle East Region Operations Directorate, Office of Audits

In recognition of exceptional work in conducting an audit of the Worldwide Protective Services Contract for Baghdad Movement Security that contributed to improved efficiency and contract management and identified about \$362 million in cost savings

## U.S. Department of Transportation DOT OIG HTF Solvency Team

Mitch Behm AIG, Rail, Maritime & Economic Analysis Yana Hudson Management & Program Analysis Officer

Jaydeep Borwankar Supervisory Financial Analyst Jim Lonergan Financial Analyst

Michael L Broadus Analyst Susan Neill Writer-Editor

Kevin Sanders Financial Analyst

In recognition of significant improvements to DOT's HTF insolvency forecasting model implemented in response to the Team's audit recommendations

#### Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration Noncash Charitable Contributions Audit Team

Deann L. Baiza Edward Gorman
Director Audit Manager (Retired)

Stephen A. Elix Sandra L. Hinton
Auditor Senior Auditor

Denise M. Gladson Marcus D. Sloan

Auditor Auditor

Lawrence Smith Senior Auditor (Retired)

In recognition of the Audit Team's efforts to improve the IRS's detection and prevention of erroneous claims for noncash charitable contributions

## Security and Information Technology Services Operations Directorate's Data Center Consolidation Audit Team

Joan M. Bonomi Myron L. Gulley

Senior Auditor

John L. Ledford Audit Manager

Senior Auditor

In recognition of their dedication to service and outstanding achievements in reviewing the Internal Revenue Service's Data Center Consolidation efforts

#### U.S. Department of the Treasury

Department of the Treasury United States Gold Reserves Held by Federal Reserve Banks Audit Team

Ade Bankole Myung Han
Manager Manager

Rafael Cumba Robert Hong Auditor-in-Charge Auditor

Rufus Etienne Mark Levitt
Senior Auditor Manager

Michael Fitzgerald Alicia Weber
Director Auditor

Catherine Yi Manager

In recognition of the first ever audit of the United States Gold Reserves Held by the Federal Reserve Bank of New York

#### U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs

National Cemetery Administration's Internal Gravesite Review of Headstone and Marker Placement Audit Team

Alicia Castillo-Flores Auditor in Charge

Joseph DeAntonis Audit Manager

> Kevin Gibbons Auditor

Lee Giesbrecht Director, Statistical Operations Cynnde Nielsen Auditor

Cherie Palmer Director

Maria Stone Auditor

Nelvy Viguera Butler Statistician

Ora Young Auditor

In recognition of significant contributions made by the VA Office of Inspector General to ensure Veterans resting in VA's National Cemeteries are properly honored for their service to our Nation

## **EVALUATIONS AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE**

# Amtrak Amtrak Office of Inspector General Evaluation Team

John L. Skip MacMichael Principal Operations Analyst

Carl Manora Lead Evaluator

Jason Venner Senior Director

In recognition of a significant achievement that alerted Amtrak management to a potential threat to public safety, the rising use of drugs, and alcohol by employees in safety sensitive positions and prompted necessary corrective action

### U.S. Department of Defense Afghan Local Police Team

Kayode O. Bamgbade Program Analyst

Michael De La Garza Senior Program Analyst

> John Furutani Auditor

Patricia J. Goodin Senior Program Analyst William G. Jackson Senior Program Analyst

> Stanley E. Meyer Project Sponsor

Daniel Morgan Senior Program Analyst

Tim O. Reutter Senior Program Analyst

John E. Taylor Team Leader

In recognition of exceptional performance during the Department of Defense's Assessment of the U.S. Government and Coalition Efforts to Develop the Afghan Local Police

## Environmental Protection Agency Oil and Gas Production Emissions Data Evaluation Team

Rick Beusse Director, Air Evaluations, Office of Program Evaluation

Chris Dunlap Auditor, Air Evaluations, Office of Program Evaluation

Kevin Good Auditor, Air Evaluations, Office of Program Evaluation Erica Hauck Lead Program Analyst, Air Evaluations, Office of Program Evaluation

Renee McGhee-Lenart Project Manager, Air Evaluations, Office of Program Evaluation

Julie Narimatsu Program Analyst, Air Evaluations, Office of Program Evaluation

In recognition of significant contributions in raising EPA's and the public's awareness of gaps in information about potential air pollution risks from the rapidly growing oil and gas production industry

### Unapproved Asbestos Demolition Methods Evaluation Team

Benjamin Beeson Evaluator, Special Program Reviews, Office of Program Evaluation

Martha Chang Project Manager, Special Program Reviews, Office of Program Evaluation Eric Lewis Director, Special Program Reviews, Office of Program Evaluation

Wendy Wierzbicki Evaluator, Special Program Reviews, Office of Program Evaluation

Michael Wilson Toxicologist, Special Program Reviews, Office of Program Evaluation

In recognition of outstanding dedication and results that enabled EPA to notify citizens of possible exposure to cancer-causing asbestos and stop practices that put citizens at risk of future exposure

### Federal Housing Finance Agency Evaluations Report Team for Follow-up on Freddie Mac's Loan Repurchase Process

Bruce G. McWilliams Senior Investigative Evaluator David Z. Seide Director of Special Projects

In recognition of outstanding achievement in improving the efficiency of FHFA's recovery processes that resulted in significant savings to taxpayers

# U.S. Department of Health and Human Services Dietary Supplements Evaluation Team

Heather Barton Jessica L. Fargnoli Program Analyst Program Analyst Laura Canfield Danielle Fletcher Senior Counsel Program Analyst TIm Chettiath Melissa Hafner Program Analyst Program Analyst Alyson Cooper Elizabeth Holahan Program Analyst Associate Counsel Kevin A. Farber Maria Maddaloni Mathematical Statistician Program Analyst

> Jesse Valente Program Analyst

In recognition of outstanding contributions to public health through groundbreaking work on the scientific research behind claims made on dietary supplement labels and FDA's ability to contact supplement manufacturers in an emergency

#### Retail Pharmacy Questionable Part D Billing Evaluation Team

Miriam G. Anderson Kevin A. Farber
Program Analyst Mathematical Statistician

Eddie Baker Robert L. Gibbons
Program Analyst Program Analyst

Jenell S. Clarke
Program Analyst
Nancy T. Harrison
Deputy Regional Inspector General

Jason M. Kwong Program Analyst

In recognition of groundbreaking analysis of Part D data that strengthened program oversight and prompted nationwide action against fraudulent retail pharmacies

#### Vaccines for Children Program Evaluation Team

Sarah K. Ambrose Conswelia M. McCourt
Program Analyst Program Analyst

Roberta M. Baskin Sarah E. McLaulin Director of Media Communications Program Analyst

Erin C .Bliss Christine Moritz
Director of External Affairs Writer/Editor

Laura E. Canfield Sheila M. Nair
Senior Counsel Public Affairs Specialist

Teresa A. Dailey Brian T. Pattison
Program Analyst Regional Inspector General

Jaime R. Durley Latrice S. Rollins
Deputy Regional Inspector General Program Analyst

Kevin A. Farber Talisha M. Searcy Mathematical Statistician Program Analyst

Dwayne F. Grant Megan H. Tinker Regional Inspector General Deputy Branch Chief

Michael J. Henry Robert A. Vito
Deputy Regional Inspector General Regional Inspector General

Anne L. MacArthur Donald B. White
Senior Counsel Public Affairs Specialist

In recognition of groundbreaking methodologies to identify vulnerabilities in vaccine storage and management within the Vaccines for Children program

#### U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development

State of Louisiana's Road Home Elevation Incentive Follow-up Team

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Tomas Espinosa Assistant Director, Inspections & Evaluations Seanna McGee Senior Forensic Auditor

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