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MEMORANDUM

TO: Gina McCarthy
Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation

FROM: Carolyn Copper /s/
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SUBJECT: New Assignment Notification

The purpose of this memorandum is to notify you that the Office of Inspector General (OIG) plans to begin the preliminary research phase of an evaluation of EPA's Oversight of Clean Air Act (CAA) Title V Emissions Fees. This assignment is included in OIG's FY-2012 Annual Plan. We plan to address the following question:

- What is EPA's oversight process for ensuring that state and local agencies' Title V fee structures are adequate?

During the preliminary research phase we plan to obtain information to address the above question which is subject to change as we conduct our work. We plan to review documents, analyze data, and interview managers and staff from EPA's Office of Air Quality Planning and Standards and selected EPA regions. At agreed-upon periods, our team will meet with your staff to discuss the status of our preliminary research review.

We will contact your audit liaison within 2 weeks to arrange a mutually agreeable time for a kickoff meeting to discuss the assignment objective and our planned work. We will also answer any questions you or your staff may have about the evaluation process and reporting procedures. If you or your staff have any questions in the meantime, please contact Rick Beusse at (919)541-5747 or beusse.rick@epa.gov, or John Bishop at (919)541-1028 or bishop.john@epa.gov.

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