



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY  
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THE INSPECTOR GENERAL

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**MEMORANDUM**

**SUBJECT:** Acceptance of Corrective Actions Plan for Office of Inspector General Report No. 17-P-0412, *EPA Can Better Reduce Risks From Illegal Pesticides by Effectively Identifying Imports for Inspection and Sampling*, September 28, 2017

**FROM:** Arthur A. Elkins Jr. 

**TO:** Lawrence Starfield, Acting Assistant Administrator  
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Thank you for your memorandum of November 27, 2017, that provided a supplemental response to several recommendations in our September 28, 2017, report, *EPA Can Better Reduce Risks From Illegal Pesticides by Effectively Identifying Imports for Inspection and Sampling*.

We accept the agency's corrective action plan for Recommendations 1, 2 and 3. We will close these recommendations in the Office of Inspector General tracking system as of the date of this memorandum. You should track implementation of EPA corrective actions in the agency's Management Audit Tracking System until all actions are completed.

If you or your staff have any questions, please contact Kevin Christensen, Assistant Inspector General for Audit and Evaluation, at (202) 566-1007 or [christensen.kevin@epa.gov](mailto:christensen.kevin@epa.gov); or Jeffrey Harris, Director, Toxics, Chemical Management and Pollution Prevention, at (202) 566-0831 or [harris.jeffrey@epa.gov](mailto:harris.jeffrey@epa.gov).

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