

February 1, 2006

MEMORANDUM TO: Luis A. Reyes
Executive Director for Operations

FROM: Stephen D. Dingbaum/**RA**
Assistant Inspector General for Audits

SUBJECT: STATUS OF RECOMMENDATIONS: INDEPENDENT
EVALUATION OF NRC'S IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
FEDERAL INFORMATION SECURITY MANAGEMENT ACT
FOR FY 2003 (OIG-03-A-22)

REFERENCE: DIRECTOR, OFFICE OF INFORMATION SERVICES,
MEMORANDUM DATED DECEMBER 28, 2005

Attached is the Office of the Inspector General (OIG) analysis and status of the recommendations as discussed in the agency's response dated December 28, 2005. Based on this response, OIG is closing recommendations 6 and 9 and will track their full completion on NRC's quarterly Plan of Action and Milestone (POA&M) reports to the Office of Management and Budget. All recommendations related to this report are now closed.

If you have questions or concerns, please call me at 415-5915.

Attachment: As stated

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Status of Recommendations

Recommendation 6: Finalize the certification and accreditation for IPSS, DDMS, Electronic Information Exchange (EIE), and the Technology Assessment Center (TAC).

Response Dated
December 28, 2005:

Security certification and accreditation for IPSS was finalized in early October 2003. The Atomic Safety and Licensing Board Panel (ASLBP) is continuing their efforts to develop a DDMS capability for the Las Vegas facility and integrating both the Rockville, MD and the Las Vegas, NV facilities into an Enterprisewide Solution. The DDMS is currently out of production in order to configure the Enterprise DDMS. At the completion of this task, ASLBP will submit a request for an Interim Approval to Operate (IATO) through April 2006 when full authority to operate is anticipated. The TAC is operating under an IATO that will expire on December 31, 2005, however an IATO extension through March 31, 2006, is currently being requested. This coincides with the High Performance Computing System move to the Production Operations Environment, at which time the TAC will not be considered a General Support System, but will be designated as a Listed System for FISMA reporting. EIE is currently operating under an IATO through December 31, 2005. The staff is still working to mitigate security issues identified during the System Test and Evaluation and is requesting an IATO extension through March 31, 2006.

OIG Analysis: These actions address the issue addressed in the report. OIG is closing this recommendation and will track its full completion on the agency's quarterly Plan of Action and Milestone (POA&M) reports to the Office of Management and Budget.

Status: Closed.

Recommendation 9: Complete contingency plan testing for IPSS, DDMS, and TAC.

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Status of Recommendations

Response Dated
December 28, 2005: As noted in a previous memo, all work has been completed for IPSS and TAC. The DDMS Contingency Plan is scheduled to be tested in February 2006 following the configuration of the Enterprise DDMS.

OIG Analysis: These actions address the issue discussed in the report. OIG is closing this recommendation and will track its full completion on the agency's quarterly Plan of Action and Milestone (POA&M) reports to the Office of Management and Budget.

Status: Closed.