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Washington, DC 20240



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Mr. William McCabe, CFO
Nuclear Regulatory Commission
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Dear Mr. McCabe:

We previously notified you that KPMG LLP examined the description of the Federal Financial System (FFS) general mainframe information technology and financial operations controls at the Department of the Interior, National Business Center (NBC). The results of their review and analysis were provided in a Statement of Auditing Standards (SAS) 70 examination report covering the period June 16, 2006 through June 15, 2007. A copy of the report was provided to you under separate cover.

The SAS 70 review was conducted for the purpose of expressing an opinion as to whether (1) NBC's description of the FFS mainframe general information technology controls presents fairly in all material respects the aspects of the NBC controls that may be relevant to a user organization's internal control, (2) the controls included in the description were suitably designed to achieve the control objectives specified in the description if those controls were complied with satisfactorily; and (3) such controls had been placed in operation as of June 15, 2007. KPMG also performed testing procedures designed to determine the effectiveness of the specified controls in meeting control objectives specified by the NBC.

This letter is to provide representations and assurances related to FFS mainframe general information technology and financial operations controls at the NBC for the period June 15, 2007 through September 30, 2007. This time period was not covered by the SAS 70 examination report previously provided. To the best of our knowledge and belief, there have been no subsequent events that would have a significant effect on user organizations that have not been disclosed to you. The controls that have been placed in operation as of June 15, 2007 did not change for the period of June 15, 2007 through September 30, 2007. The description of controls in the FY 2007 SAS 70 examination report presents fairly the aspects of NBC controls that were in place as of September 30, 2007.

If you have any questions on this assurance statement, please contact Dean Martin, NBC Audit Liaison, on 303-969-5195.

Sincerely,

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