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In case you are interested, the link to the DOJ OIG report that was prominently featured in national news last Tuesday is provided below. Jim Dyer attended a CFO Council meeting on Tuesday, where OMB clarified its expectations that the new internal approval process for conference spending (EDO approval) and the periodic reporting requirements imposed by OMB applies to all agencies, including the NRC. CFO, ADM, OGC, and OEDO are developing a process for how best to accomplish this new work, including potentially expediting the portfolio council that would in the future approve conference spending at the agency level. Although we are still considering the ramifications and will seek your input, we are examining this broadly to include offsite meetings, advances, and retreats. No need to make hasty decisions because we have no indications of excessive spending within the NRC on conferences, food, and refreshments. You can expect, however, greater internal controls on such expenditures in the future. The famous \$16 muffin is featured on page xix of the Executive Summary.

Regards

<http://www.justice.gov/oig/reports/plus/a1143.pdf>