



UNITED STATES CAPITOL POLICE

WASHINGTON, DC 20510

OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

Modified Peer Review Report

June 30, 2015

To: Roslyn A. Mazer, Inspector General
Federal Trade Commission

The United States Capitol Police (USCP) Office of Inspector General (OIG) reviewed established policies and procedures for the audit function of the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) OIG in effect at March 31, 2015. Established policies and procedures are one of the components of a system of quality control to provide FTC OIG with reasonable assurance of conforming with applicable professional standards. The components of a system of quality control are described in the *Government Auditing Standards* (GAS). FTC OIG is responsible for establishing and maintaining policies and procedures for the audit function. Our responsibility is to assess whether policies and procedures submitted for review were current and consistent with applicable professional standards.

USCP OIG conducted the review in accordance with the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE) *Guide for Conducting Peer Reviews of the Audit Organizations of Federal Offices of Inspector General* for assessing established audit policies and procedures. A Modified Peer Review is designed to assess an OIG audit organization whose work conducted in the last 3 years did not include audits and attestation engagements performed in accordance with generally accepted government auditing standards, but the OIG audit organization maintained policies and procedures in anticipation of performing such work.

In addition to reviewing established policies and procedures for the audit function of FTC OIG, we applied certain limited procedures in accordance with guidance established by the CIGIE related to FTC OIG's monitoring of audits and attestation engagements, collectively referred to as "audits", performed by Independent Public Accountants (IPAs) under contract where the IPA served as the auditor. It should be noted that monitoring of audits performed by IPAs is not an audit and therefore is not subject to the requirements of GAS. The purpose of our limited procedures was to determine whether FTC OIG had controls to ensure IPAs performed contracted work in accordance with professional standards. However, our objective was not to express an opinion and accordingly, we do not express an opinion, on FTC OIG's monitoring of work performed by IPAs.

During our review, we (1) interviewed FTC OIG personnel, (2) obtained an understanding of the nature of the FTC OIG, (3) assessed established audit policies and procedures, and (4) reviewed FTC OIG's IPA monitoring process for the *Financial Statement Audit for Fiscal*

Year 2014, (OIG Assignment No. 15-01). We also visited the Washington, D.C. office. During the scope of our review, April 1, 2014 through March 31, 2015, the FTC OIG performed no GAS audits and monitored one audit, where the IPA served as the auditor.

Based on our review, the established policies and procedures for the audit function at March 31, 2015, were current and consistent with applicable professional standards as stated.

As is customary, we have issued a letter dated June 30, 2015, that sets forth one finding that was not considered to be of sufficient significance to affect our conclusions on the established policies and procedures.

We conducted an exit conference with the FTC OIG on June 18, 2015. FTC OIG comments related to the draft report are enclosed.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Fay F. Ropella". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name and title.

Fay F. Ropella, CPA, CFE
Inspector General

Enclosure



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June 29, 2015

Fay F. Ropella
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United States Capitol Police

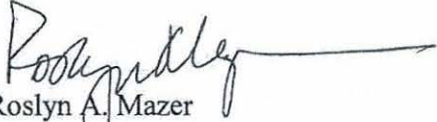
Dear Ms. Ropella:

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the draft Modified Peer Review Report on the Federal Trade Commission Office of Inspector General's audit policies and procedures.

We are pleased that your office concluded that our policies and procedures for the audit function as of March 31, 2014, were current and consistent with applicable professional standards as stated.

Please extend our appreciation to the peer review team for their professionalism in conducting the review. If you have any questions, please contact me at (202) 326-3527.

Sincerely


Roslyn A. Mazer
Inspector General