

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

OFFICE OF THE CHIEF FINANCIAL OFFICER

MEMORANDUM

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TO:

Kathleen Tighe Inspector General

Office of the Inspector General

FROM:

Thomas P. Skelly /h

Delegated to Perform the Functions and Duties

of the Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: Report on High-Dollar Overpayments for the Quarter Ended June 30, 2012

The purpose of this memorandum is to comply with the high-dollar overpayment reporting requirements addressed in the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) implementation guidance M-10-13, dated March 22, 2010, relative to Executive Order 13520. The OMB implementation guidance requires agency heads to submit quarterly reports on high-dollar overpayments to the Office of Inspector General, and the Council of Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency.

During the reporting period covering April 1, 2012 through June 30, 2012, the U.S. Department of Education (Department) had no high-dollar overpayments as defined by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) implementing guidance. The Department is committed to ensuring the integrity of its programs and is focused on identifying and managing the risk of improper payments and mitigating the risk with adequate control activities. The Department will continue to work closely with the Office of the Inspector General and OMB to explore additional opportunities for identifying and reducing potential improper payments.

If you have any questions, please contact Jim Ropelewski at (202) 245-6221.

cc: Ms. Phyllis Fong, Chair Council of Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficacy

> Mr. Danny Werfel, Controller Office of Federal Financial Management Office of Management and Budget