MEMORANDUM

TO: Kathleen Tighe, Inspector General  
Office of the Inspector General

FROM: Tim Soltis  
Deputy Chief Financial Officer, Delegated to Perform the Functions and Duties of the Chief Financial Officer

SUBJECT: Report on High-Dollar Overpayments for the Quarter Ending June 30, 2017

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-15-02, dated October 20, 2014, relative to Executive Order 13520. The OMB implementation guidance requires agency heads to submit quarterly reports on high-dollar overpayments for programs susceptible to significant improper payments.

The U.S. Department of Education has two programs identified as susceptible to significant improper payments: Pell Grants and Direct Loans. During the reporting period covering April 1, 2017, through June 30, 2017, the Department identified improper payments totaling $18,640,454.73. See attachment for details.

The Department is committed to ensuring the integrity of its programs and is focused on identifying and managing the risk of improper payments 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 Ellen Safranek at (202) 245-7515.

cc: Mr. David Mader, Controller  
Office of Federal Financial Management  
Office of Management and Budget
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**High-Dollar Overpayments**

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Attachment

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