

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATIONOffice of Inspector General

The Inspector General

MEMORANDUM

TO: Assistant Inspector General for Audit

Assistant Inspector General for Investigation

Assistant Inspector General for Information Technology

Audits and Computer Crime Investigations

Assistant Inspector General for Evaluation, Inspection, and

Management Services

FROM: Inspector General

SUBJECT: Delegation of Authority to Enter Into Contracts and Other Agreements for

Audits

I. DELEGATION

Under the authority vested in me by Section 3(a) of the Inspector General Act of 1978, as amended (the Act), 5 U.S.C. Appendix 3, I hereby delegate to you, your successor in function, and anyone serving for you in an acting capacity, the authority under Section 6(a)(9) of the Act to enter into contracts and other arrangements for audits, studies, analyses, and other services as necessary to carry out the Office of Inspector General's responsibilities relating to Department of Education's programs and operations.

II. <u>RESERVATION</u>

The authority for obligation of OIG funds for such agreements is reserved to the Assistant Inspector General for Evaluation, Inspection, and Management Services.

III. REDELEGATION

This authority may not be redelegated.

IV. CERTIFICATE AND EFFECTIVE DATE

This delegation is effective upon certification by the Department's Principal Delegations Control Officer and supersedes all previous delegations of this authority.

John P. Higgins, Jr.

OGC Clearance and Date: /s/ David Berthiaume, 8/3/2004

Certified Date: 8/3/2004

Departmental Delegations Control Officer: /s/ Naty G. Beetle

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