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Inspector General

December 16, 2020

Nicholas J. Novak, Acting Inspector General
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Dear Acting Inspector General Novak:

The Corporation for National and Community Service, Office of Inspector General with the assistance of the Peace Corps Office of Inspector General (Review Team) performed an external peer review of your Inspection and Evaluation program. The Review team conducted the review from August 3, 2020, through December 10, 2020 in accordance with the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE) Inspection and Evaluation *Guide for Conducting Peer Reviews of Inspection and Evaluation Organizations of Federal Offices of Inspector General*.

The Review Team assessed the extent to which the Pension Benefit Guaranty Corporation Office of Inspector General (PBGC OIG) met seven *CIGIE Quality Standards for Inspection and Evaluation* (Blue Book), January 2012, specifically: Quality Control; Planning; Data Collections and Analysis; Evidence; Records Maintenance; Reporting; and Follow-up. This assessment included a review of PBGC OIG's 2016 Inspections and Evaluations Manual and its 2019 Audits, Evaluations and Inspections Division Manual. The Review Team also reviewed three inspection and evaluation reports issued between July 1, 2018, and June 30, 2020, to determine whether the reports complied with the covered Blue Book standards and the PBGC OIG internal policies and procedures.

The Review Team determined the PBGC OIG policies and procedures and the three reports reviewed generally met the seven Blue Book standards. We issued a Letter of Comment dated December 16, 2020, to suggest areas of improvement to strengthen PBGC OIG's policies and procedures that would better align with the Standards. The PBGC OIG management officials agreed to our suggestions. The enclosure is your response to this summary report.

Sincerely,

Deborah J. Jeffrey

Enclosure:
As stated



Office of Inspector General

November 27, 2020

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SUBJECT: External Peer Review Report

Dear Ms. Jeffrey,

We have reviewed the summary draft report provided to our office on November 20, 2020.

We are pleased that your peer review team determined that PBGC OIG's policies and procedures, as well as the three reports reviewed, met the seven Blue Book standards subject to review.

We have no comments to the Summary Report, and would like to thank your team for their observations and thoughts.

Sincerely,

Nicholas J. Novak
Acting Inspector General

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