

## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

## **DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE** 4800 MARK CENTER DRIVE

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## MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Audit of DoD Lowest Price Technically Acceptable Contracts (Project No. D2024-D000AX-0042.000)

The purpose of this memorandum is to notify you that we plan to begin the subject audit in December 2023. The objective of this audit is to determine whether DoD contracting officials awarded lowest price technically acceptable contracts in accordance with Federal laws and DoD policies and regulations. Lowest price technically acceptable contracts are awards to the lowest priced offeror who meets the minimum acceptable technical requirements. We may revise the objective as the audit proceeds, and we will also consider suggestions from management for additional or revised objectives. We plan to perform this audit in accordance with the Government Accountability Office's generally accepted government auditing standards.

We will coordinate the audit at Offices of Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition and Sustainment, Under Secretary of Defense for Policy, Military Services, combatant commands, and Defense agencies. We may identify additional points of contact during the audit.

We request that you designate a staff member to serve as our point of contact for this audit within 5 days of this memorandum. The point of contact should be a Government employee—a GS-15, pay band equivalent, or military equivalent—and knowledgeable about contract awards as related to the objective. Send the contact's name, title, grade/pay band, phone number, and email address to aud-colu@dodig.mil.

The Inspector General Act of 1978, 5 U.S.C. §§ 401-424, as amended, authorizes us to have access to personnel and materials as we determine necessary to perform our oversight in a timely manner. You can obtain information about the DoD Office of Inspector General from DoD Directive 5106.01, "Inspector General of the Department of Defense (IG DoD)," April 20, 2012, as amended, and DoD Instruction 7050.03, "Office of the Inspector General of the Department of Defense Access to Records and Information," March 22, 2013, as amended. Our website is www.dodig.mil.

If you have any questions, please contact

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