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SUBJECT: GPRA Data Validation Review—
Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA) Program
Draft Audit Report No. 22-05-008-04-431

This responds to your September 19, 2005 memorandum requesting comments on the subject draft audit report. ESA has reviewed the report and our response is attached. We thank you for the opportunity to comment.

If you have any questions concerning this response, please contact Rose Broadwater of my staff on 693-0285.

Attachment

**ESA Response to GPRA Data Validation Review—
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Recommendation

We [OIG] recommend that the Assistant Secretary for ESA:

Ensure the FECA Program excludes cases resolved due to claimants' death from the calculation of savings generated through use of Periodic Roll Management.

ESA Management Response

ESA concurs with the finding that the methodology for calculating Periodic Roll Management (PRM) savings under Performance Goal 2.2C should be modified to exclude savings from benefit payment reductions due to claimant deaths that occurred during the given time period. DFEC has undertaken appropriate action to modify the methodology it applies to this calculation for PRM savings beginning in FY2006.