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35th Avenue Superfund Site Case Study on Cumulative Impacts: U.S. EPA Office of Inspector General Project Notification



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The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("EPA") Office of Inspector General ("OIG") issued a "Notification of Audit" titled:

35th Avenue Superfund Site Case Study on Cumulative Impacts ("Notification")

See Project No. OA-FY21-0279.

The *Notification* is transmitted from Christina Lovingood, Director of OIG's Pollution Control and Cleanup Directorate, Office of Audit, to the following:

- Janet McCabe, Deputy Administrator
- Barry Breen, Acting Assistant Administrator for Land and Emergency Management
- Joseph Goffman, Acting Assistant Administrator for Air and Radiation
- Radhika Fox, Assistant Administrator for Water
- Michal Ilana Freedhoff, Assistant Administrator for Chemical Safety and Pollution Prevention
- Lawrence Starfield, Acting Assistant Administrator for Enforcement and Compliance Assurance
- Wayne E. Cascio, M.D., Acting Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator for Science Performing
 Delegated Duties of Assistant Administrator, Office of Research and Development
- John Blevins, Acting Regional Administrator, Region 4

The Notification states that its objective is to:

... determine what actions the EPA has taken – in accordance with its mission, its program goals, and applicable executive orders – to identify and address any disproportionate health effects to disadvantaged communities located on or near a selected site.

OIG states it selected the 35th Avenue Superfund site in Birmingham, Alabama. The Notification states that the audit will also address what it describes as one of the top management challenges for EPA which is "integrating and leading environmental justice."

OIG states it will work with the applicable headquarters program offices and EPA's Region 4. Primary point of contact will be EPA's Office of Land and Emergency Management.

A copy of the *Notification* can be downloaded here.