



December 20, 2023

MEMORANDUM FOR: BRENT PARTON
Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary
for Employment and Training Administration

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Carolyn R. Hantz".

FROM: CAROLYN R. HANTZ
Assistant Inspector General
for Audit

SUBJECT: Audit of the Employment and Training
Administration's Permanent Labor Certification
Program, Project No. 17-P24-001-03-321

Please be advised the Office of Inspector General is initiating an audit with the objective of determining to what extent the Employment and Training Administration's (ETA) - Office of Foreign Labor Certification's (OFLC) Permanent Labor Certification Program (PERM) review process ensured applications were timely processed and U.S workers were not available and able to perform the job at the time of application approval. We will contact your audit liaison to schedule an entrance conference to discuss the audit's objective, scope, and methodology.

We plan to begin work immediately after our meeting and would appreciate your notifying appropriate agency officials of our plans. To facilitate the start of the audit, we have attached an initial information request, and we would appreciate this information being provided to us no later than January 19, 2024. This information can be provided to the OIG as it's available.

If you have questions, please contact Tracy Katz, Audit Director, at: (202) 210-0769 or katz.tracy@oig.dol.gov.

Attachment

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