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MEMORANDUM FOR: Loren Sweatt

Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary for Occupational Health and Safety

FROM: ELLIOT P. LEWIS

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SUBJECT: OSHA's Enforcement Efforts to Protect Workers

from Exposure to Respirable Silica, Project

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Please be advised the Office of Inspector General is initiating an audit of OSHA's efforts to protect workers from exposure to respirable silica. We will contact your audit liaison to schedule a meeting to discuss the following:

Objective(s): To what extent has OSHA protected workers from

exposure to Respirable Crystalline Silica?

Fieldwork Location(s): National and Regional Offices

We plan to begin work immediately after our meeting and would appreciate your notifying appropriate agency officials of our plans. If you have questions, please contact Mark L. Schwartz, Audit Director, at schwartz.mark@oig.dol.gov, or (917) 406-5871, or Charmaine Thorne at thorne.charmaine@oig.dol.gov, Audit Manager, at (646) 264-3525.

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