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MEMORANDUM FOR: Jeff Byard  
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SUBJECT: Office of Inspector General Emergency  
Management Oversight Team Deployment Audits  
*Audit Report Numbers OIG-13-84, OIG-13-117,  
OIG-13-124, OIG-14-50-D, OIG-14-111-D, OIG-15-  
92-D, OIG-15-102-D, OIG-15-105-D, OIG-16-53-D,  
OIG-16-85-D, OIG-16-106-D, OIG-17-37-D*

After completing an internal review of our audits related to multiple Emergency Management Oversight Team (EMOT) projects, we have decided to permanently remove the subject reports from our public website.

Our internal review found the subject reports may not have adequately answered objectives and, in some cases, may have lacked sufficient and appropriate evidence to support conclusions. Answering objectives with sufficient and appropriate evidence is required under Government Auditing Standards or Quality Standards for Inspection and Evaluation. In an abundance of caution, we believe it best to recall the reports and not re-issue them.

Going forward, our EMOTs will deploy during the response phase of a disaster to identify and alert the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) and its stakeholders of potential issues or risks if they do not follow FEMA and other Federal requirements. The EMOT's reviews will not be conducted under Government Auditing Standards. The teams will continue to observe and identify potential risk areas that will be addressed by future traditional audits, if necessary.

A complete list of the projects removed from our website is attached. You should not place any reliance on these reports.

Please contact me at (202) 254-4100 if you have any questions.

Attachment



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**Attachment: List of Recalled Audits**

<b>Report No.</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Report Title</b>
OIG-13-84	4/30/2013	FEMA's Initial Response to Hurricane Isaac in Louisiana Was Effective And Efficient
OIG-13-117	9/6/2013	FEMA's Initial Response in New Jersey to Hurricane Sandy
OIG-13-124	9/26/2013	FEMA's Initial Response in New York to Hurricane Sandy
OIG-14-50-D	3/19/2014	FEMA's Initial Response to the Oklahoma Severe Storms and Tornados
OIG-14-111-D	7/1/2014	FEMA's Initial Response to the Colorado Flood
OIG-15-92-D	5/13/2015	FEMA Provided an Effective Response to the Napa, California, Earthquake
OIG-15-102-D	6/10/2015	FEMA's Initial Response to the 2014 Mudslide near Oso, Washington
OIG-15-105-D	6/17/2015	FEMA's Initial Response to Severe Storms and Flooding in Michigan
OIG-16-53-D	3/21/2016	FEMA's Initial Response to the Severe Storms and Flooding in South Carolina
OIG-16-85-D	5/9/2016	FEMA's Initial Response to the 2015 Texas Spring Severe Storms and Flooding
OIG-16-106-D	6/27/2016	FEMA Was Generally Effective in Its Initial Response to the Severe Wildfires in California
OIG-17-37-D	2/7/2017	FEMA's Initial Response to the Severe Storms and Flooding in West Virginia DR-4273