



Office of Inspector General

September 11, 2019

William J. Richardson III
Acting Inspector General
Corporation for Public Broadcasting
401 Ninth Street, NW, Washington, DC, 20004-2129

Subject: External Peer Review on the Corporation for Public Broadcasting Office of
Inspector General

Dear Mr. Richardson:

Attached is the External Peer Review Report on the audit organization of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting Office of Inspector General conducted in accordance with *Government Auditing Government Auditing Standards* and the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency *Guide for Conducting Peer Reviews of the Audit Organizations of Federal Offices of Inspector General*. Your response to the draft report is included as Enclosure 2.

We appreciate the cooperation and courtesies extended to our staff during the review.

Jennifer Fain
Acting Inspector General

Enclosures

System Review Report

September 11, 2019

To: William J. Richardson III, Acting Inspector General, Corporation for Public Broadcasting

We have reviewed the system of quality control for the audit organization of the Corporation for Public Broadcasting Office of Inspector General (CPB OIG) in effect for the year ended March 31, 2019. A system of quality control encompasses CPB OIG's organizational structure and the policies adopted, and procedures established to provide it with reasonable assurance of conforming with *Government Auditing Standards*. The elements of quality control are described in *Government Auditing Standards*. CPB OIG is responsible for establishing and maintaining a system of quality control that is designed to provide CPB OIG with reasonable assurance that the organization and its personnel comply with professional standards and applicable legal and regulatory requirements in all material respects. Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the design of the system of quality control and CPB OIG's compliance therewith based on our review.

Our review was conducted in accordance with *Government Auditing Standards* and the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE) *Guide for Conducting Peer Reviews of the Audit Organizations of Federal Offices of Inspector General* (September 2014). Based on our assessment, we selected audits and attestation engagements, collectively referred to as "audits", and administrative files to test for conformity with professional standards and compliance with CPB OIG's system of quality control. The audits selected represented a reasonable cross-section of CPB OIG audit organization, with emphasis on higher-risk audits. Enclosure 1 to this report identifies audits we reviewed. Prior to concluding the peer review, we reassessed the adequacy of the scope of the peer review procedures and met with CPB OIG management to discuss the results of our review. We believe that the procedures we performed provide a reasonable basis for our opinion.

In performing our review, we obtained an understanding of the system of quality control for the CPB OIG audit organization. In addition, we tested compliance with CPB OIG's quality control policies and procedures to the extent we considered appropriate. These tests covered the application of CPB OIG's policies and procedures on selected audits. Our review was based on selected tests; therefore, it would not necessarily detect all weaknesses in the system of quality control or all instances of noncompliance with it.

There are inherent limitations in the effectiveness of any system of quality control, and, therefore, noncompliance with the system of quality control may occur and not be detected. Projection of any evaluation of a system of quality control to future periods is subject to the risk that the system of quality control may become inadequate because of changes in conditions, or because the degree of compliance with the policies or procedures may deteriorate.

In our opinion, the system of quality control for the audit organization of CPB OIG in effect for the year ended March 31, 2019, has been suitably designed and complied with to provide CPB OIG with reasonable assurance of performing and reporting in conformity with applicable professional standards in all material respects. Audit organizations can receive a rating of *pass*, *pass with deficiencies*, or *fail*. CPB OIG has received an External Peer Review rating of PASS.

Jennifer Fain
Acting Inspector General
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Scope and Methodology

We tested compliance with CPB OIG audit organization's system of quality control to the extent we considered appropriate. These tests included a review of 2 of 5 audit reports or attestation reports issued during the period April 1, 2018, through March 31, 2019. We also reviewed the internal quality control reviews performed by CPB OIG. We visited the CPB OIG office located in Washington D.C.

Reviewed Audits Performed by CPB OIG

<u>Report No.</u>	<u>Report Date</u>	<u>Report Title</u>
AS1805-1808	09/25/2018	Audit of Community Service Grants at Milwaukee PBS, Milwaukee, Wisconsin for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017
ASJ1807-1810	09/28/2018	Audit of Community Service Grants, Mendocino County Public Broadcasting, KZYX-FM, Philo, California, for the period July 1, 2015 through June 30, 2017



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Enclosure 2

Office of Inspector General

September 10, 2019

Jennifer Fain
Acting Inspector General
Office of Inspector General
Export-Import Bank of the United States
811 Vermont Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20571

Dear Ms. Fain:

We have reviewed the draft peer review report and agree with your overall conclusions that our system of quality control for audits has been suitably designed and complied with to provide the Corporation for Public Broadcasting Office of Inspector General with reasonable assurance of performing and reporting in conformity with applicable professional standards in all material respects. We also agree with your External Peer Review rating of PASS.

I would like to thank you and the peer review team for your professionalism in conducting the peer review. Your team conducted their work in an efficient and effective manner. We sincerely appreciate their efforts.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "William J. Richardson III".

William J. Richardson III
Acting Inspector General