





National Science Foundation National Science Board Audit and Oversight Committee Fiscal Year 2016 Audit Plan

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Kearney – Background

- Certified Public Accounting (CPA) firm, founded in 1985
- Specializes in providing auditing, accounting, and consulting services exclusively to the Federal Government
- Staff over 500+ employees operating from our Alexandria, VA headquarters and satellite offices across the U.S.
- Extensive audit experience and currently the auditor for numerous Federal agencies, including: Department of State (State), Department of Defense (DoD) Medicare-Eligible Retiree Health Care Fund (MERHCF), DoD Contract Resource Management (CRM), Peace Corps, Corporation for National and Community Service (CNCS), and Federal Communications Commission (FCC)



Engagement Team and Scope

Key members of the fiscal year (FY) 2016 Engagement Team:

- Partners
 - David Zavada, CPA Engagement Partner (Overall Responsibility)
 - Phil Moore, CPA, CISA, PMP Information Technology (IT) Partner
 - Jessica Hadel, CPA Quality Control (QC) Partner
- Team Leads
 - Sarah Lakkis, CPA, CGFM, CISA Financial Audit Lead
- Audit Manager
 - Marcos Vigil Financial Audit Manager
- IT System Specialists
 - Anthony Kuny IT Audit Manager (Penetration Tests)
 - Shaterria Lee/Davinder Kaur, CPA IT Seniors
- Senior Auditors
 - Nupur Moondra Financial Senior Auditor



Engagement Team and Scope (cont'd)

Engagement Scope of Work:

- Conduct an audit of the National Science Foundation's (NSF) financial statements and GFRS Closing Package for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2016
- Coordinate the assessment of NSF's IT control activities based on GAO's FISCAM with IT controls related to the generation of financial statements
- Report on NSF's internal control over financial reporting
- Report on NSF's compliance with applicable provisions of laws, regulations, contract, and grant agreements
- Report on NSF's Year-End Closing Package (GFRS)
- Perform review of IT security programs through a FISMA evaluation over NSF's information systems.
 - Prepare responses to DHS's FY 2016 IG FISMA Reporting Metrics,
 which will be utilized to enter metrics for CyberScope reporting.



Audit Plan and Timeline

A. Planning Phase:

July – September*

B. Internal Control and Compliance Testing Phase:

 $September-October \\ ^*$

C. Substantive Testing Phase – Account/Dollar Balance Tests:

October – November*

D. Reporting Phase – Issue Reports over Audit Results:

November – December*

^{* &}lt;u>Note:</u> The Audit Timeline remains tentative, pending additional discussions between Kearney, Office of Inspector General (OIG), and NSF management (as of August 5, 2016).

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Communications

- Communication on a continuous basis with both NSF management and OIG during all phases of the audit to ensure an effective audit and timely completion
- Hold status meetings periodically with NSF management and OIG to discuss:
 - Potential findings
 - Status of Provided by Client (PBC) List requests
 - Upcoming contractual deliverables
- Participate in early and frequent discussions over issues noted to reach concurrence over facts before issuance of findings through Notification of Findings and Recommendations (NFRs) and report to prevent surprises during final report
- Communicate periodically with the Audit and Oversight Committee of the Board



Questions?