

# U.S. International Trade Commission

*IPERA Determination for Fiscal Year 2018*



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**UNITED STATES INTERNATIONAL TRADE COMMISSION**

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Chairman Johanson:

This transmits the Inspector General’s report on the Commission’s compliance with the Improper Payments Elimination and Recovery Act of 2010, as amended (IPERA). We have determined that the Commission has complied with IPERA. The table below identifies the six requirements for IPERA and the results of the Commission’s compliance.

	<b>OMB-M-15-02 Requirement</b>	<b>USITC Compliance</b>
1	Publish an Agency Financial Report for the most recent fiscal year and post that report and any accompanying materials on the agency website.	Yes.
2	Conduct a program-specific risk assessment for each program or activity that conforms with Section 3321 note of Title; or perform a risk assessment at least once every three years for programs deemed to be at low risk for significant improper payments.	Yes. A risk assessment was provided, dated 3/15/2019.
3	Publish improper payment estimates for all programs and activities identified as susceptible to significant improper payments under risk assessment, if required.	Not applicable.
4	Publish programmatic corrective plans in the Agency Financial Report, if required.	Not applicable.
5	Publish and meet annual reduction targets for each program assessed to be at risk and estimated for improper payments, if required.	Not applicable.
6	Report a gross improper payment rate of less than 10 percent for each program or activity for which an improper payment estimate was obtained and published in the Agency Financial Report.	Not Applicable.

As required, we will be providing a copy of this report to members of the Senate Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs Committee, the House Committee on Oversight and Reform,

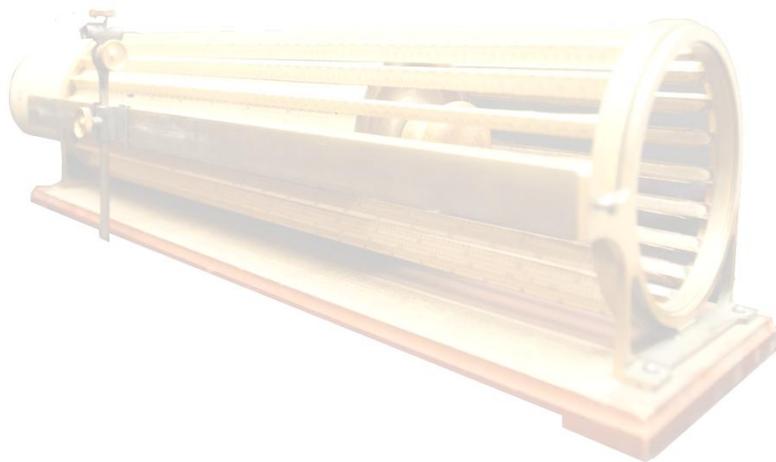
the Office of Management and Budget, and the Government Accountability Office.

We are not issuing any recommendations in this report. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Philip M. Heneghan". The signature is written in a cursive style with a long, sweeping underline.

Philip M. Heneghan  
Inspector General



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