

Florida Department of Agriculture and Consumer Services



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External Audit Status Report

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**Auditor General
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**Compliance and Internal Controls Over
Financial Reporting and Federal Awards for
the Fiscal Year Ended June 30, 2008**

The Inspector General is required by Florida Statute 20.055(5)(h) to report to the Commissioner of Agriculture on the status of corrective actions taken on reports published by the Auditor General or the Office of Program Policy Analysis and Government Accountability (OPPAGA).

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This audit by the Auditor General contained one finding and recommendation that required corrective action by the Department. The status of corrective action was reported by management. Findings that do not require corrective action by the Department are not included in this status report.

Status of Corrective Action

Finding: FDACS did not have procedures in place to obtain certifications required by OMB Circular A-87 for all salaried employees working on components of the Plant and Animal Disease, Pest Control, and Animal Care (PADPCAC) Program.

Corrective Action: Has been taken – The Division of Plant Industry has implemented procedures to ensure that certifications are obtained from all employees working on programs funded by Federal awards in accordance with OMB Circular A-87. The Division has notified all supervisors of the requirements and time frames in which to certify that employee work hours were in service to a Federal award program.

Follow-up by the Office of Inspector General Internal Audit Group: Has been performed.