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STEVEN H. RICKRODE PROMOTED TO DIRECTOR OF FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT AUDITS, OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

Washington, D.C. – The Inspector General is pleased to announce that Steven H. Rickrode has been promoted to Director of Financial Management Audits within the Office of Inspector General (OIG). In this capacity, Mr. Rickrode is responsible for managing all aspects of financial management audits and reviews of commission bureaus and offices conducted by the OIG. Further, Mr. Rickrode is responsible for implementing financial audit programs required either by statute or by request of executive branch government officials, including the Chief Financial Officers' Act, the Government Management Reform Act, the Federal Managers' Financial Integrity Act, and the Government Performance and Results Act. Since April 1999, Mr. Rickrode has been managing the financial audit program within the OIG, where he has primarily focused on managing the audit of the Commission's FY 1999 financial statements.

Mr. Rickrode came to the Commission from the Department of the Treasury Office of Inspector General where he performed or managed financial statement and financial management audits of the Department's bureaus and offices including the U.S. Customs Service, U.S. Secret Service, and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms. Mr. Rickrode began his government career in the Office of Inspector General at the General Services Administration where he performed financial management and performance audits.

Mr. Rickrode is a Certified Public Accountant and a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Association of Government Accountants. Mr. Rickrode received his Bachelor of Science degree in Professional Accountancy from Pennsylvania State University.

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