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By FACSIMILE and U.S. MAIL

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Re: Audit Report No. 10099-5-SF  
Request for Correction by Chattowah Open Land Trust

Dear Mr. Selden:

This letter serves to acknowledge receipt of your October 16, 2006 request to correct information disseminated by the Office of Inspector General (OIG) about the Chattowah Open Land Trust in Audit Report No. 10099-5-SF. We have reviewed your request and have determined that it should be processed under Section 515 of Public Law 106-554 (codified at 44 U.S.C. § 3516 note and commonly referred to as the Data Quality Act).

The Data Quality Act directed the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to issue government-wide guidelines that "provide policy and procedural guidance to Federal agencies for ensuring and maximizing the quality, objectivity, utility, and integrity of information (including statistical information) disseminated by Federal agencies." Id. OMB's final guidelines were published on February 22, 2002. See Guidelines for Ensuring and Maximizing the Quality, Objectivity, Utility, and Integrity of Information Disseminated by Federal Agencies, 67 Fed. Reg. 8452. The Act also required Federal agencies to issue implementing guidelines, establish mechanisms allowing affected persons to seek and obtain correction of information, and report requests for correction to OMB. The Department of Agriculture's implementing guidelines can be found at [http://www.ocio.usda.gov/qi\\_guide/index.html](http://www.ocio.usda.gov/qi_guide/index.html) and OIG's supplemental guidelines can be found at <http://www.usda.gov/oig/qltyguidelinesrev.htm>.

If you wish to provide additional information for our review, pursuant to these guidelines, please do so by December 20, 2006. If we do not hear from you by December 20, 2006, we will continue to review your request, pursuant to the Data Quality Act and implementing guidelines, based upon the information provided in your October 16, 2006, letter.

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If you should have additional questions please contact me at 202-720-9110 or  
[drgray@oig.usda.gov](mailto:drgray@oig.usda.gov).

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "David R. Gray". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name and title.

David R. Gray  
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