MEMORANDUM

DATE:       July 28, 2020

TO:         USAID/Afghanistan Mission Director, Peter Natiello

FROM:       USAID OIG Middle East and Eastern Europe (ME/EE) Regional Office, Audit Director, David Thomanek /s/

SUBJECT:    Audit of the Fund Accountability Statement of Tetra Tech, ARD Under Multiple Awards in Afghanistan, From October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018 (8-306-20-045-N)

This memorandum transmits the final audit report on the fund accountability statement of Tetra Tech, ARD under the following awards.

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<td>Women's Leadership Development (Task Order)</td>
<td>306-AID-306-I-TO-14-00031</td>
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<td>Initiative to Strengthen Local Administration (Contract)</td>
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USAID/Afghanistan contracted with the independent certified public accounting firm Castro & Co to conduct the audit. The audit firm stated that it performed its audit in accordance with Generally Accepted Government Auditing Standards issued by the Comptroller General of the United States. The audit firm is responsible for the enclosed report and the conclusions expressed in it. We do not express an opinion on the auditee’s fund accountability statement;
internal control effectiveness; or its compliance with the awards, laws, and regulations.¹

The audit objectives were mainly to: (1) express an opinion on whether the fund accountability statement presents fairly, in all material respects, funds received, costs incurred, and commodities directly procured by USAID for the period audited; (2) evaluate and obtain a sufficient understating of the auditee’s internal controls, assess control risk; and (3) determine whether the auditee complied, in all material respects, with the contracts terms and applicable laws and regulations that have a direct and material effect on the fund accountability statement. To answer the audit objectives, the audit firm preformed the subject financial audit that covered $19,575,005 for the period from October 1, 2017 to September 30, 2018.

The auditors expressed an unmodified opinion on the fund accountability statement and did not identify any questioned costs. The audit firm did not identify any material weaknesses in internal control or any material instances of noncompliance with the contracts terms and applicable laws and regulations.

The report does not include any recommendations for your action. We appreciate the assistance extended during the engagement.

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¹ We reviewed the audit firm’s report for conformity with professional reporting standards. Our desk reviews are typically performed to identify any items needing clarification or issues requiring management attention. Desk reviews are limited to review of the audit report itself and excludes review of the auditor’s supporting working papers; they are not designed to enable us to directly evaluate the quality of the audit performed.