

July 21, 2025

Nicholas Novak Acting Inspector General Farm Credit Administration Office of Inspector General 1501 Farm Credit Drive McLean, VA 22102-5090

Subject: Report on the Qualitative Assessment Review of the Investigative Operations

of the Office of Inspector General for the Farm Credit Administration

Dear Acting Inspector General Novak:

We concluded our review of the Office of Inspector General for the Farm Credit Administration's (FCA OIG) system of internal safeguards and management procedures for the investigative operations in effect for the period of May 2022 through May 2025. We conducted our review in conformity with the Quality Standards for Investigations and the Qualitative Assessment Review Guidelines established by the Council of the Inspectors General on Integrity and Efficiency (CIGIE).

We reviewed FCA OIG's compliance with its system of internal policies and procedures to the extent we considered appropriate. We conducted our review at FCA OIG's headquarters office in McLean, VA. We reviewed one case file for an investigation closed during fiscal year 2023; 12 closed complaints from fiscal year 2024; and 13 closed complaints from fiscal year 2025.

In our opinion, FCA OIG's system of internal safeguards and management procedures for the investigative function in effect for the period ending May 2025 is in compliance with the quality standards established by CIGIE and the other applicable guidelines cited above. These safeguards and procedures provide reasonable assurance that FCA OIG conforms with professional standards in the planning, execution, and reporting of its investigations.

Sincerely,

Benoit, Kimberly Digitally signed by Benoit, Kimberly Date: 2025.07.21

Kimberly F. Benoit Inspector General