Department of Transportation
Deputy of Administration Response

Case # 21-0037-I
TO: Isabel Mercedes Cumming  
Inspector General  
Office of the Inspector General  
City Hall, Suite 635  
100 N. Holiday Street  
Baltimore, MD 21202  

RE: OIG Case No. 21-0037- I  

Dear Ms. Cumming,

The Department of Transportation has received and reviewed the above referenced OIG Report dated March 24, 2022, regarding a compliant involving [redacted] and other [redacted] employees, alleging improper use of City-owned inventory and City vehicles.

While the Department could not substantiate the use of City-owned inventory for personnel use the Division intends to implement measures to ensure that ‘scrap’ lumber is not retrieved for personal use. Recycled lumber; that is, lumber that can be reused shall be secured. Scrap lumber shall be secured then accounted for via Property Disposal Report and DPW receipt. DPW shall retrieve secured scrap lumber; thereby, minimizing/eliminating potential for staff to retrieve from dumpster.

Regarding the misuse of City owned vehicles, during the Fall of 2020 the Division issued a Standard Operating Procedure, which was signed and acknowledged by all drivers. The Division was able to determine there was a misuse of a City vehicle and discipline will be issued to both the employee and supervisor.

Additionally, the Division is preparing to have both the internal and external cameras repaired or replaced.

We thank you for bringing this matter to our attention and if additional information is needed please feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,

Laetitia Griffin  
Deputy of Administration  
Department of Transportation  

Cc: Steve Sharkey