

TVA Office of Inspector General Named As One of the Best Places to Work in the Federal Government

The TVA Office of Inspector General (OIG) headquartered in Knoxville, Tennessee, has been named one of the Best Places to Work in the Federal Government in 2016. The award was given in a ceremony in Washington, D.C., Thursday by the non-profit Partnership for Public Service and Deloitte which does the ranking. The ranking is based upon the annual Federal Employee Viewpoint Survey conducted of federal government employees by the Office of Personnel Management. For the second consecutive year, the TVA OIG was ranked first among federal agency subcomponents. In 2016, there were 305 federal agency subcomponents included in the rankings.

In 2015, the Partnership for Public Service also grouped federal organizations into six mission areas: Public Health, Law Enforcement, National Security, Energy and Environment, Financial Regulation, and Oversight. The Oversight category includes Government Accountability Office (GAO) and Offices of Inspectors General. TVA OIG score was highest in this oversight category as well.

Inspector General Richard Moore said, "Our OIG team has worked extremely hard to create and sustain a productive work environment that is focused on making TVA better. To be rated as one of the Best Places to Work in the Federal Government is a high honor for our office. I am proud of my very engaged team and the important work they perform to provide an independent perspective on TVA operations. The Office of Inspector General focuses on results and the impact that our work has on TVA programs. Ultimately, our mission is to help TVA be better and keep electricity rates low for the people of the Tennessee Valley. An enthusiastic and engaged team always produces better operational results. That has been true for the TVA OIG particularly for 2016. "

Leslie Franks, Chair of the OIG Leadership Council, accepted the award for the TVA OIG Thursday and said, "Being named one of the best places to work would not have been possible without engaged employees who work hard together as a team to foster trusting relationships and drive a healthy culture. We are passionate about our work and proud to serve the people of the Tennessee Valley. Earning this award for the second year is a testament of our commitment to each other and our dedication to the TVA OIG's mission to make TVA better."

Additional Information:

The Oversight category provides the following distinction: The Inspector General Act of 1978 created independent, nonpartisan offices within dozens of federal departments and agencies responsible for conducting investigations, audits, and evaluations with the goal of preventing waste, fraud, abuse, and mismanagement. In addition, the Government Accountability Office, the watchdog organization for Congress, investigates waste, fraud, abuse, and mismanagement across the government. The inspectors general at each of the agencies and the GAO predominantly employ individuals in accounting, budgeting, investigative occupations, and law.

The purpose of reporting the rankings by categories is to examine agencies that have similar responsibilities, and employ workers with comparable occupations, to see if there are commonalities or discrepancies in employee satisfaction and commitment. The data allows

agency officials to learn from one another and gain insights about how they can better meet the needs of their workers, according to the Partnership for Public Service's Web site.

This is TVA OIG's second year participating in OPM's Federal Employee Viewpoint survey and inclusion in the Partnership for Public Service ranking.

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Best Places to Work in the Federal Government's Web site is at www.bestplacestowork.org.

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