

National Aeronautics and  
Space Administration

**Office of Inspector General**  
Washington, DC 20546-0001



April 22, 2009

**TO:** Associate Deputy Chief Financial Officer

**FROM:** Assistant Inspector General for Auditing

**SUBJECT:** NASA's Unclaimed Property Held by the California State Controller's Office RTS2009073 (ML-09-003)

On March 19, 2009, we sent a memorandum to you requesting that you provide your actions taken to address an allegation that the California State Controller's Office has custody of unclaimed property belonging to NASA. Specifically, we asked that you review, investigate, and attempt recovery of NASA's property or credit.

We received your response dated April 15, 2009, and reviewed the supporting documentation provided related to claim an \$8,000 credit balance from Sun Microsystems. Based on your response and our review of the supporting documentation, we plan to close the inquiry in our records.

We thank you and your staff for thoroughly responding to our request. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this issue, please contact Mr. Bruce Schmidt, Management Analyst, at (202) 358-2568.

signed

Evelyn R. Klemstine

Enclosure

cc:

Chief Financial Officer

Office of Infrastructure

Director, Logistics Management

Assistant Administrator for Internal Controls and Management Systems

HQ Audit Liaison Representative

## Management's Comments

National Aeronautics and Space Administration  
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April 15, 2009

Reply to Attn of

Office of the Chief Financial Officer

TO: Deputy Assistant Inspector General for Auditing  
FROM: Associate Deputy Chief Financial Officer  
SUBJECT: NASA's Unclaimed Property Held by the California State Controller's Office (RTS2009073)

Thank you for referring the subject matter to my office and to the Director, Logistics Management. Upon our mutual agreement, my office took the action to investigate and resolve the matter.

We investigated the Sun Microsystems credit balance of \$8,000 owed to National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and verified that this amount is valid NASA property. Therefore, we have submitted the required claim to the California State Controller's Office and expect to recover the property in full.

See the enclosure for the notarized Claim Affirmation Form and a copy of the invoice providing the details of the transaction.

Again, thank you for bringing this matter to our attention.

*(signed)*

Bruce Ward

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cc:  
Chief Financial Officer/ Mr. Bowie  
Office of Infrastructure/ Ms. Kenney

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