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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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FROM:

  
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SUBJECT:

Implementation of Expedited ALJ pilot

Effective March 1, 2018, Region VIII's Whistleblower Protection Program (WPP) will formally adopt the Expedited Case Processing Pilot created by Region IX (Directive #CPL 02-03-01). This pilot allows complainants the option of requesting that OSHA terminate its investigation and issue Secretary's Findings so they can pursue their claim more expeditiously before a DOL – ALJ.

Prior to the implementation of this year-long pilot adoption, this pilot will be thoroughly discussed with the Region VIII WPP investigators. Upon completion, the results of the pilot will be evaluated, and shared, with DWPP.