



NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I08020016

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We became aware of an allegation that a certain official¹ at a university² had misused funds associated with a particular NSF award.³ Based on our investigation, we determined the university, rather than the official, had violated the False Claims Act. We referred the case to the appropriate United States Attorney's Office for prosecution. Ultimately, the university agreed to return over \$500,000⁴ to NSF and enter into a four-year compliance plan to resolve the investigation. The university also agreed to have an audit firm audit a follow-on award, which resulted in an additional \$59,439.61 in funds to be returned to NSF.

This case is closed with no further action taken.

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