



NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I-11060028

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NSF OIG participated in a multiagency investigation of a company¹ to determine whether allegations that the company was not performing work on its multiple federal awards were substantiated. During the course of the investigation, we determined that while the initial allegations were not substantiated with respect to certain Federal grants and contracts, the company had significantly underspent multiple Phase I SBIR awards, retaining excess profit well above the 7% permitted by the SBIR program and approved in the associated budgets.

After the matter was declined by the Department of Justice, we recommended that NSF recover underspent Phase I award funds for the two NSF SBIR Phase I awards implicated.² NSF concurred with our recommendation, and the company returned a total of \$152,911 of underspent Phase I awards to NSF.

This case is closed.

¹ [REDACTED]

² NSF Award Numbers [REDACTED]