



NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I02090024

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This case involved a series of applications to NSF SES positions sent by a private individual¹ (not employed by NSF or the federal government) in NSF 'Penalty Cover' envelopes. These envelopes clearly state "Official Business: Penalty for Private Use \$300." Penalty Cover envelopes are discussed at 39 U.S.C. Section 3201 et seq. but there are no corresponding enforcement provisions. As the small monetary value would most likely preclude any DOJ involvement, our office sent a stern letter stating that in "the future, please refrain from mailing NSF 'penalty cover' envelopes for any reason, or our office may be forced to pursue legal action." Our office did not request any reply correspondence. This case is closed.

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