

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

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This case was opened pursuant to a proactive review. The initial review of documents found evidence of: 1) plagiarism in several NSF proposals and project reports submitted by a company¹, and 2) possible overlap between a few sets of SBIR/STTR awards funded by various federal agencies.

Based on the initial evidence of plagiarism, we sent inquiry letters to two PIs² at the company. We received their responses and determined the identified lines did not meet OIG's threshold for a referral.

We identified two sets of potentially duplicative proposals, but after further review, determined neither set of proposals appears to be duplicative.

Accordingly, this case is closed.