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**CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM**

<b>TO:</b> AIGI	<b>File Number:</b> I92110028	<b>Date:</b> 16 May 2002
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There was no closeout written at the time this case was closed. The following information was extracted from the file in conformance with standard closeout documents.

Our office was informed that the subject<sup>1</sup> was alleged to have submitted duplicate proposals and received duplicate funding from 2 federal agencies.<sup>2</sup> The subject's company<sup>3</sup> pled guilty to one felony count of false statements. The subject was sentenced to five years of probation and one hundred hours of community service. The subject received a civil settlement of \$115,000.00.


The attached documents constitute the closeout for this case.

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PRESS RELEASE

ERIC H. HOLDER, JR.  
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United States Attorney Eric H. Holder, Jr., announced that AKM Associates, Inc. a California research and development company that has provided basic and applied research and prototype hardware and software development to United States agencies, was sentenced in United States District Court today to five years probation and one hundred hours of community services for making false statements to the National Science Foundation (NSF). AKM falsely stated that it had not submitted "Equivalent Proposals" to other agencies when it had already submitted the equivalent contract proposal to the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA). AKM also concealed from its proposal the fact that it had secured another related contract from NASA.

AKM has also paid \$40,000 of a total of \$115,000 to settle civil claims arising from the same conduct. This figure represents the cost of the investigation and the amount that AKM received from submitting equivalent proposals to NSF and NASA as well as to the United States Army and Air Force.