

MEMORANDUM

Date: May 4, 1999
To: File No. I-97010006
From: SA [REDACTED] Investigations [REDACTED]
Re: Case Closeout - [REDACTED]
Civil Settlement: \$50,000

Investigation

During a forensic review of SBIR awardees, it was discovered that [REDACTED] might have been awarded a duplicate award from the Department of Energy (DOE) and the Department of Defense (DOD). The case was referred to DOE-OIG and the Defense Criminal Investigative Service (DCIS). The investigation revealed that [REDACTED] submitted a Phase I Proposal to the DOD under the Strategic Defense Initiative Organization dated January 8, 1992, and submitted a Phase I Proposal to the DOE dated January 22, 1992. [REDACTED] failed to disclose the simultaneous pending proposals.

On August 17, 1998, [REDACTED] reached a civil settlement with US Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Virginia, Alexandria, VA in which [REDACTED] agreed to pay the USG \$50,000 to settle claims that it had defrauded the U.S. Department of Defense SBIR program.

See the Release and Settlement Agreement, dated August 17, 1998, for further details.

[REDACTED]