

August 8, 2000

TO: The File

FROM: SA [REDACTED]

SUBJECT: Case Closeout, #I-98070014

1. This case was opened as a joint investigation with [REDACTED] on July 20, 1998. The investigation was precipitated by an anonymous allegation in that [REDACTED] was submitting duplicate [REDACTED] proposals and receiving duplicate awards.
2. This case agent, along with the [REDACTED] case agent SA [REDACTED], reviewed numerous [REDACTED] proposals submitted by [REDACTED] to various federal agencies, to include: [REDACTED] and others. Some proposals reflected duplicate material in the background section of the proposal. There were no apparent incidents of duplicate material in the substantive sections, such as the Technical Objectives, Work Plan or the Statement of Work.
3. Former employees of [REDACTED] were interviewed. None of the former employees were able to provide any information regarding the alleged practice by [REDACTED] of submitting duplicate grant proposals to NSF or other federal agencies.
4. At this time, pending receipt of additional information, this case is closed.