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## CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

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NSF OIG received an allegation that two proposals submitted under the same solicitation, by different institutions and PIs, contained similar text and intellectual property.<sup>1</sup> Our review found that the PIs of the two proposals had previously co-authored an earlier awarded version of this proposal,<sup>2</sup> while both were employed at the same institution.<sup>3</sup> Both PIs therefore had the right to use the jointly-developed text and ideas. Accordingly, this case is closed with no further action taken.

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