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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I-19-0037-O

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This case was opened in response to a False Claims Act (FCA) Qui Tam. The Complaint alleged FCA violations by a company that received both federal and state awards in that company employees charged time to federal and state awards based on funding availability and other financial considerations rather than on how employees actually spent their time.

We investigated the allegations so that the U.S. Department of Justice could decide whether to intervene in the FCA Complaint. We worked jointly with other investigative entities and interviewed the relator who filed the FCA claim; interviewed former company employees, who did not corroborate the relator's allegations despite some being explicitly identified as having relevant information; reviewed relevant award documentation; and subpoenaed relevant employment documentation. This evidence did not substantiate the relator's allegations, and the U.S. Department of Justice declined to intervene in the case.

This case is **closed** with no further action taken.