

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I12080061

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We were contacted by an investigator from another federal agency¹ about proposals one of its employees² had submitted to NSF. We determined that an employee had submitted three proposals to NSF each containing *curriculum vita* which omitted his full-time federal employment.³ Two of the awards were funded.⁴

NSF initially suspended the award at our recommendation⁵ pending completion of our investigation. Dual investigations resulted in his termination from federal employment for working on the NSF projects during his federal duty hours.

Ultimately, we recommended NSF terminate the ongoing NSF award.⁶ Because the PI hid his status as a federal employee, NSF was not able to properly review his proposal or ascertain whether he was able to perform as a PI given his full-time work for the government. The award's termination resulted in more than \$57,000 being put to better use.

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

