

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

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We received an allegation that a university was misusing funds associated with two NSF awards. Our investigation substantiated the allegation. We determined the University knowingly posted expenditures to award accounts despite knowing at the time that the expenditures lacked proper support. The University also charged NSF for unallowable expenditures and could not adequately support many of the other expenditures to the awards. We referred the matter to the applicable U.S. Attorney's Office for action under the False Claims Act.

Ultimately, the university settled with the United States, agreed to return over \$200,000, and entered into a 5-year compliance plan.

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