

## NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

## **CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM**

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We initiated this case to investigate whether a small business had adequate facilities to perform the work under NSF SBIR awards. During the investigation, we also investigated whether the awarding program officer had a conflict of interest with an award and whether the company accurately reported expenditures in its interim project reports. Based on our review of NSF grant files and documents produce by the small business, we determined the allegations regarding facilities and expenditure reporting were not substantiated. The allegation about the awarding program officer's conflict of interest had some support in the evidence we reviewed, but became moot in light of the program officer's death about a year after the award became effective and some years prior to the investigation.

Accordingly, this case is closed.