



NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I-22-0004-O

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We received allegations of procurement irregularities and conflicts of interest involving staff at the overseas office of an NSF SBIR awardee. We conducted an interview and reviewed internal records provided by the awardee. An internal investigation requested by the awardee found that an employee had violated or circumvented internal controls and policies, resulting in at least \$20,000 in unsupported expenditures that were charged to various U.S. Government and non-government awards. No NSF funds were affected.

The awardee proactively terminated the guilty employee and committed to refunding all impacted funds to the appropriate U.S. Government and non-government funding sources.

This case is closed with no further action taken.