

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

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We investigated an allegation that the Principal Investigator (PI) for an NSF Small Business Innovation Research (SBIR) Phase I and Phase II awardee had significant outside employment and was not primarily employed by the small business concern during the performance period of the company's awards, in violation of program rules.

We obtained and reviewed NSF grant documents, state wage records, and payroll records from each of the PI's outside employers. We confirmed the outside employment of the PI but found that the actual hours of outside work during the NSF award periods did not exceed the limitations defined by NSF policy. We determined that the PI did not violate the SBIR primary employment requirement.

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