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OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
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CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I-18-0061-O

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We investigated an allegation that the Principal Investigator for an NSF SBIR Phase I award violated the primary employment requirement by working full-time for an employer other than the small business concern during the award's period of performance. Our investigation substantiated the allegation.

We referred the case to the United States Attorney's Office, which ultimately declined the matter for civil prosecution. As a result of the investigation, NSF sent the awardee a demand letter seeking the return of identified damages and ultimately forwarded the matter to the U.S. Department of the Treasury for collection.

This case is closed with no further action taken.