

NATIONAL SCIENCE FOUNDATION OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS

CLOSEOUT MEMORANDUM

Case Number: I-20-0070-O

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We investigated allegations that an NSF SBIR awardee failed to accurately disclose to NSF the ownership interest of a foreign corporation and that the awardee was not majority owned and controlled by U.S. persons, as required under SBA regulations for SBIR awards.

We conducted numerous interviews of current and former company employees, and subpoenaed records from the awardee and from the awardee's President. We also obtained immigration records for the company's minority shareholder. Our investigation did not substantiate the allegations. We found no evidence that the awardee provided false information to NSF or failed to meet SBIR award eligibility requirements.

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