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June 27, 2012

Re: Freedom of Information Act Request (OIG Tracking No.: 12-77)

This is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request dated May 24, 2012, in which you requested a copy of the closing memo, the Report of Investigation and the final report for nine specified closed investigations. Your request was received in this office on June 1, 2012.

We searched Office of Inspector General's records and found documents responsive to your request which we are releasing to you with certain information redacted under exemptions 5, 6, 7(C), 7(D), and 7(E) of the FOIA. Exemptions 6 and 7(C) relate to personal information regarding persons other than yourself. Release of information covered by Exemption (6) of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. §522(b)(6), would constitute a clearly unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of the persons mentioned in the records. Release of information covered by Exemption 7(C) of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. §522(b)(7)(C), could reasonably be expected to constitute an unwarranted invasion of the personal privacy of the persons mentioned in the records. In addition, Exemption 5 of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(5), protects confidential communication between an attorney and his client relating to a legal matter for which the client has sought legal advice. Certain information is also being withheld pursuant to Exemption 7(D) of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(7)(D). Release of this information could disclose the identity of confidential sources, e.g., private institutions that furnished information on a confidential basis. Finally, redactions marked Exemption 7(E) of the FOIA, 5 U.S.C. §522(b)(7)(E), protect information that would disclose techniques and procedures for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions, or would disclose guidelines for law enforcement investigations or prosecutions if such disclosure could reasonably be expected to risk circumvention of the law.

File number Z0970735 contained no documents responsive to your request. In addition, certain responsive documents related to case number I060216, which originated with the Federal Election Commission (FEC), Office of Inspector General, were referred to the FEC FOIA Requester Service Center for review and release determination. The FEC

will respond to you directly regarding that portion of the file. If you have questions about the status of your request, you can contact:

FOIA Requester Service Center Federal Election Commission Attn: Candace Salley 999 E Street, NW, Room 408 Washington, DC 20463 FOIA@fec.gov

Fax: (202) 219-1043

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Sincerely,

Richard P. Levi

Counsel to the Inspector General

(FOIA Officer)

Enclosure

U.S. GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION

Office of Inspector General

SOUTHEAST REGIONAL INVESTIGATIONS OFFICE

November 9, 2009

MEMORANDUM FOR: GREGORY G. ROWE

ASSISTANT INSPECTOR GENERAL

FOR INVESTIGATIONS (JI)

FROM: (b) (7)(C), (b) (6)

ACTING SPECIAL AGENT-IN-CHARGE OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS (JI-4)

SUBJECT: Closing Memorandum:

b) (7)(C), (b) (6) Et Al

Our File No.: 1040195

This memorandum serves as the administrative closing of this investigative file number due to the related OIG file number I070088 for the same subjects. File number I040195 was initiated to capture the criminal investigation and file number I070088 was initiated to track the civil investigation against the same subjects in anticipation of multiple subjects in various jurisdictions under each investigation. The civil investigation has progressed significantly during the course of the investigation and continues as an ongoing matter at the time of this report; however, the criminal investigation has not progressed under the direction of the Assistant United States Attorney's Office with no immediate action anticipated from the Southern District of Mississippi.

Based on the lack of criminal actions under criminal file number I040195, and the related file for the same subjects, this investigation will be closed. Any further actions related to the subjects will be captured under the related OIG file number I070088.



U.S. GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION Office of Inspector General

December 18, 2009

MEMORANDUM FOR: LYNN MCFARLAND

INSPECTOR GENERAL

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

FROM: GREGORY ROWE

DEPUTY ASSISTANT INSPECTOR GENERAL

FOR INVESTIGATIONS (JI

THRU: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE

MID-ATLANTIC REGIONAL OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS (JI-W)

SUBJECT: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Case Number: 1060 25 216

We are now referring this matter back to FEC/OIG to determine if administrative actions should be taken against [b](6), (b) (7)(c) due to a personal relationship with [b](6), (b) (7)(c) that began in 2004 while was working on site at the FEC. [b](6), (b) (7)(c) also failed to formally recues [b](6), (b) (7)(c) from any contracting decisions relating to the ATS contracts on which employment at the FEC was based.

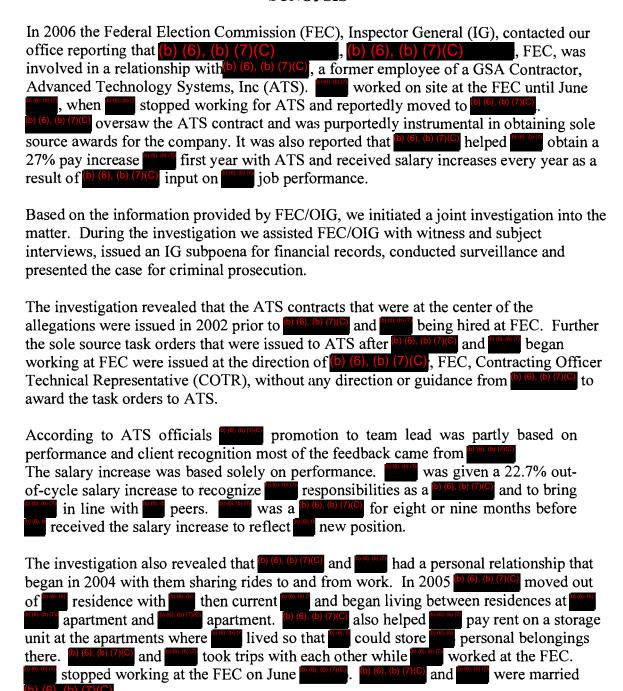
DISPOSITION REPORT

DATE:
FROM:
SUBJECT: Report of Investigation, Copy No, File No
ΓΟ:
Returned is your Report of Investigation which has been reviewed, evaluated, and final dispositio nade as indicated in the checklist below. The nature of the administrative action is explained unde DETAILS.
1. Personnel Action
2. Suspension/Debarment Action
3. Claims Awarded, Settled, or Denied — \$
4. Restitution by Contractor - \$
5. Savings to the Government — \$
6. Agency Regulations Revised
7. No Action Warranted
8. Other
DETAILS: (Summarize details of action, including names of persons and firms involved. If "n action warranted," give reasons. Enclose documentation supporting the disposition.)
Signature and Title of Authorized Official Date
COMMENT: (For Use of Office of Inspector General, GSA)

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SYNOPSIS



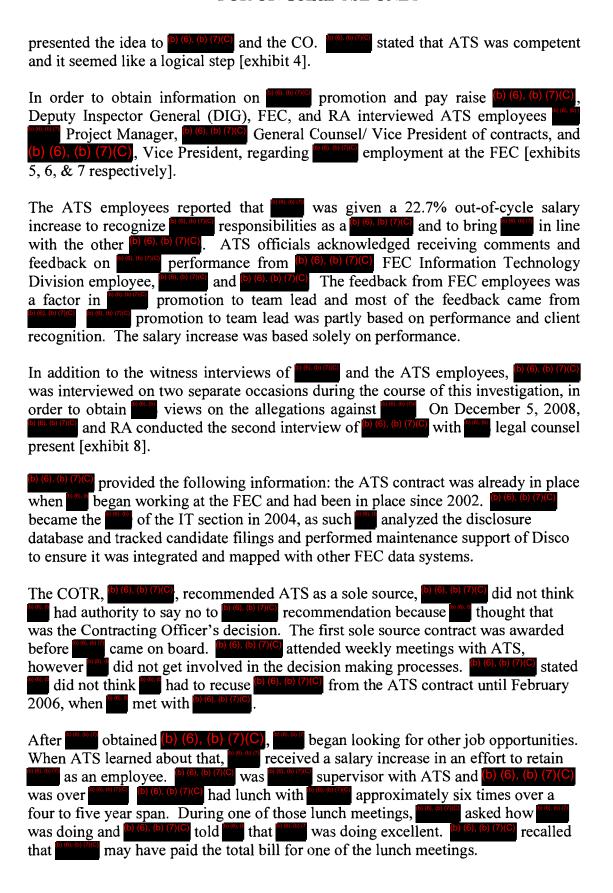
As a result of those facts (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Assistant United States Attorney, Fraud and Public Corruptions Division, Washington DC declined criminal prosecution of the matter.

BASIS FOR INVESTIGATION

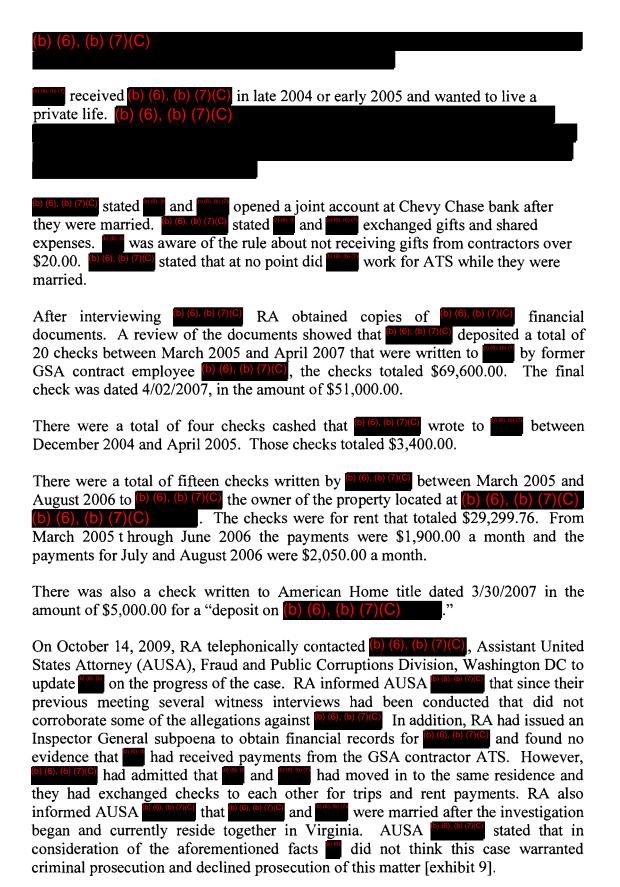
This case was initiated based on a request for assistance received from Lynne McFarland,
Inspector General, Federal Election Commission (FEC), and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Deputy
Inspector General (DIG), FEC, reporting (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
FEC, was involved in a relationship with (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), a former employee of a
GSA Contractor, Advanced Technology Systems, Inc (ATS). worked on site at the
FEC until June 9, 2006, when stopped working for ATS and reportedly moved to
began working at the FEC in 2004. Their personal
relationship also began around the same time.
source awards for the company. It was also reported that [5] (6), (6) (7)(C) helped obtain a 27% pay increase first year with ATS and received salary increases every year as a result of (5) (6), (6) (7)(C) input on job performance. ATS's GSA contract number GS-35F-4704G was valued at approximately \$470,000,000.00, the majority of which was accumulated between 2004 and 2006.
On February 2, 2006, FEC officials interviewed (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) regarding oversight of the ATS contract while dating an employee of the company. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) openly admitted to relationship with (a) and reportedly said (b) (c), (c) (d) (d), (d) (7)(C) from the decision making process regarding the contract [exhibit 1].

DETAILS OF THE INVESTIGATION

The investigation revealed that the Advanced Technology Systems, Inc.'s (ATS), contracts that were at the center of the allegations were issued in 2002 prior to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) , (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) , Federal Election Commission (FEC), and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), former employee of GSA contractor, ATS, being hired at the FEC. Further the sole source task orders that were issued to ATS after (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and began working at FEC were issued at the direction of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), FEC, Contracting Officer Technical Representative (COTR), without any direction or guidance from b) (6), (b) (7)(C) to award the task orders to ATS. On August 9, 2006, the Reporting Agent (RA) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), of the General Services Administration, Mid-Atlantic Regional Office of Investigations conducted Autotrack reports on (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) PAN to determine where the two resided. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was listed as a possible address for each person. On several occasions during the month of October 2006, RA (b) (7)(E) . The RA observed vehicles parked at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) in the driveway of the residence. The first vehicle, license plate number the on a silver Honda Civic was registered to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on 3/22/2006 at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) . The second vehicle, license plate number on a silver Acura was registered to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and (0) on 6/30/2006 at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [exhibit 2]. During an initial interview of [b] (6), (b) (7)(C) stated that had been remarried. Therefore, RA obtained a copy of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) marriage certificate from Clark County Nevada recorder's office. The certificate showed that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) married on (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). The bride/groom's address was listed as (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) **(b) (6)**, **(b) (7)(C)** [exhibit 3]. In an effort to determine if [b)(6), (b)(7)(C) played a role in awarding sole source contracts to ATS, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Counsel to the Inspector General, FEC, and RA interviewed (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), COTR, FEC, regarding knowledge of ATS' contracts with the FEC. stated that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) played a very small role and gave little day to day direction on the ATS contract. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) set the course of where the contract should go strategically relating to the mission of the contract which was the Campaign Finance Disclosure Database. Stated when more work was needed to fix glitches on the database contract with ATS the decision was made by a number of FEC personnel such as (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), and of the decisions to add more work for ATS. stated that energy never felt pressured by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) to award contracts to ATS and did not feel that (b) (6) (b) (7)(C) pressured to award ATS sole source contracts that were unnecessary. stated that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) never pressured to favor ATS for any contracts and it was [5](6),(6)(7)(2) idea to award ATS the sole source contracts. It was who wrote the justification to award the sole source work to ATS and



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b) (6), (b) (7)(C) got involved in the ATS projects by attending weekly meetings in April
2004. It was during those meetings, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) noticed that was late for a
couple of the meetings so (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) asked where one lived and offered
in to work. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated was not aware of any carpool forms that were
required by FEC. (6) (6) (7)(C) stated that did not try to hide the fact that
                       (b) (6), (b) (7)(c) stated that several high ranking officials at the FEC
carpooled with
                                   , (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) all saw them ride in
to include; (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b)
together on separate occasions and none of them voiced any concerns about it to
   stated that and grew closer because of certain incidents that
happened at work during the months of June, July and August 2004.
stated (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
            stated that had a (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) business that disclosed to the FEC.
            took several trips together for business:
        in July 2004 they went to Zion, Utah,
    • in October 2004 they went to New England
    • in December 2004 they went to Canada
            paid for most of the trips but may have paid for
                                                                       own airfare.
            became good friends with because could talk to
                                                                                When
                      went on trips together (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
      and
                                           grew much closer in 2005 and (b) (6), (b) (7)
                      stated
                                 and
In April 2004, (6) (6) (7)(C) moved some of personal belongings out of the
residence that [6] [6]
                   shared with then current for fear that would destroy
them. b) (6) (7) (C) stated that moved moved belongings into garage and paid rent for the storage. (6) (6) (7) (C) stated that moved belongings into had to pay $100 a month extra
     rent for the storage. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated that
                                       (b) (7)(C) paid $1000.00 a month beginning in
for the storage garage; however
December 2004. [b) (6), (b) (7)(c) stated that paid paid a total of approximately $3,400 by check between September 2004 to April 2005. (b) (6), (b) (7)(c) lawyer provided
copies of four checks that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) made payable to (0,0,0,0) in relation to renting the
storage garage at
                          apartment. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) split (b) (6). time staying at
apartment and
                         (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), apartment. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
                       current residence that shares with
                                                                       located at
           leased
                                         , from
                                                               in March 2005 and moved
there in April 2005. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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LIST OF EXHIBITS

September 18, 2006 Memorandum	Exhibit 1
Virginia Department of Motor Vehicles reports	Exhibit 2
Marriage Certificate	Exhibit 3
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) - Memorandum of Interview	Exhibit 4
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) — Memorandum of Interview	Exhibit 5
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) — Memorandum of Interview	Exhibit 6
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) — Memorandum of Interview	Exhibit 7
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) – Memorandum of Interview	Exhibit 8
Declination e-mail	Exhibit 9





FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20463

September 18, 2006

MEMORANDUM

TO:

Lynne A. McFarland

Inspector General

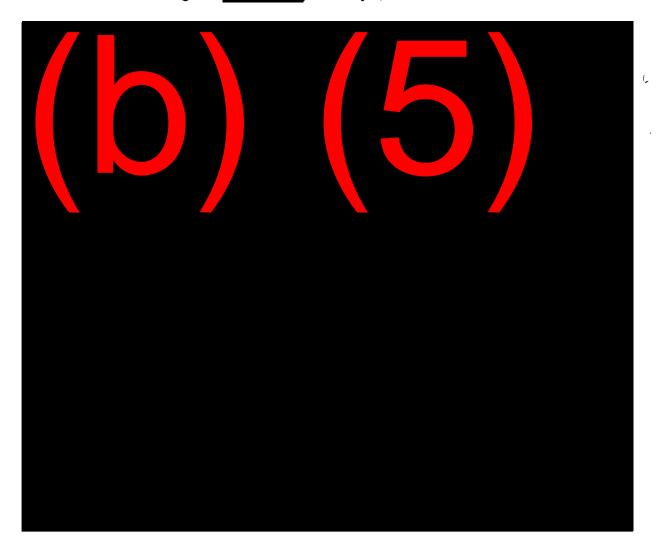
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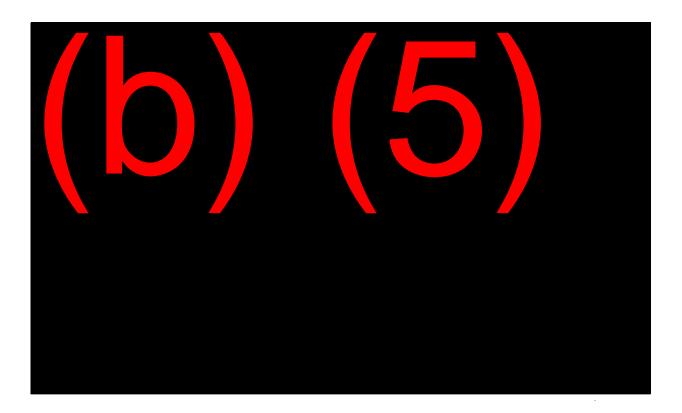
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C

Deputy General Counsel
Office of General Counsel

SUBJECT:

Meeting with (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) - February 2, 2006





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OPERATOR: Administrator

AGENCY: GSA\OIG LOCATION: 300 D STREET SW, SUITE 800, WASHINGTON, DC 20024

I WOULD LIKE TO OBTAIN A VEHICLE REGISTRATION HISTORY O) (7)(C) AND A ON A SILVER HONDA CIVIC VA LICENSE NUMBER SILVER ACURA WITH LICENSE PLATE NUMBER (5)(6)(0)(7)(6). THE VEHICLES ARE REGISTERED AT (b)(6),(b)(7)(C). THEY HAVE BEEN REGISTERED AT THIS ADDRESS. THE

MRI 232838 IN: NLII 12613 AT 08MAR2007 14:03 OUT: DMV1 27 AT 08MAR2007 14:03





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300 D STREET SW, SUITE WASHINGTON DC 20024

RSN FOR REQ: LAW ENFORCEMENT

USER ID:

LOC: 206

REQUESTED BY:

GSA

300 D STREET SW, SUITE

WASHINGTON DC 20024

INFORMATION PROVIDED BY REQUESTOR: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

VEHICLE OWNER(S) - NAME/ADDRESS:

VEHICLE TITLE INFORMATION:

TITLE NO: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) TITLE EST DT: 05/03/2004

PURCHASE DT: 04/03/2004

VEHICLE YEAR: 2004 EMPTY/GROSS WGT: 2,672

ODOMETER: 5

SALES PRICE: 21,027.00

DLR PROC: 289.00 DISPOSITION:

NCIC CHECKED: NO

OWNERSHIP DOC: CERTIF OF ORGIN

DEALER: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) CURRENT VCO: GRAY/

ORIGINAL VCO: GRAY/ PPTR VEHICLE USE: PERSONAL

VEHICLE REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

CURRENT PLATE#: 100

PLATE STATUS: RENEWAL

VEHICLE USE: PRIVATE

INSURANCE: YES UNINSURED-FEE-PD: NO

LOCAL VEH REGIST: NO

PLATE TYP: ALTERNATE FUEL ISSUE REASON: EXCHANGE

RENEWAL UPDATE: 03/22/2006

VEHICLE MAKE: HONDA

SALES TAX PD: 630.81

PROC TAX: 8.67

GVWR/GCWR:

DISPOSITION DT:

BODY TYPE: 4D SDN

MODEL: CIVIC

ODOMETER TYPE: ACTUAL MILEAGE

VIN: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

PLATE EXPIRE DT: 04/30/2007

METAL PLATE ISS DT: 05/03/2004

NO PRIOR REGISTRATION INFORMATION ON FILE

LIEN1: STAT DT:05/03/2004 TYPE:ORI AMERICAN HONDA FINANCE CORPORA

8601 MCALPINE PARK DRIVE

#230

CHARLOTTE NC 28211

FILING DATE: 04/26/2004

OTHER VEHICLE INFORMATION: NONE ON FILE



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300 D STREET SW, SUITE WASHINGTON DC 20024

RSN FOR REQ: LAW ENFORCEMENT

USER ID:

LOC: 206

REQUESTED BY:

GSA

300 D STREET SW, SUITE

WASHINGTON DC 20024

INFORMATION PROVIDED BY REQUESTOR: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

VEHICLE OWNER(S) - NAME/ADDRESS:

b) (6), (b) (7)(C) b) (6), (b) (7)(C) OR

VEHICLE TITLE INFORMATION:

TITLE NO: (b) (6), (b) (7)(c) VEHICLE MAKE: ACURA BODY TYPE: 4D SDN TITLE EST DT: 07/21/2006 PURCHASE DT: 06/30/2006 MODEL: 3.2TL

VEHICLE YEAR: 2006 VIN: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

EMPTY/GROSS WGT: 3,493 GVWR/GCWR:

AND

ODOMETER: 55 ODOMETER TYPE: ACTUAL MILEAGE

SALES PRICE: 30,499.00 SALES TAX PD: 914.97

DLR PROC: 299.00 PROC TAX: 8.97

DISPOSITION DT: DISPOSITION:

NCIC CHECKED: NO

OWNERSHIP DOC: CERTIF OF ORGIN

DEALER: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

CURRENT VCO: SILVER/ ORIGINAL VCO: SILVER/ PPTR VEHICLE USE: PERSONAL

VEHICLE REGISTRATION INFORMATION:

CURRENT PLATE#: PLATE TYP: STANDARD ISSUE

ISSUE REASON: 1ST ISSUE PLATE STATUS: ORIGINAL VEHICLE USE: PRIVATE RENEWAL UPDATE: 06/30/2006 INSURANCE: YES PLATE EXPIRE DT: 06/30/2007 UNINSURED-FEE-PD: NO METAL PLATE ISS DT: 06/30/2006

LOCAL VEH REGIST: NO

NO PRIOR REGISTRATION INFORMATION ON FILE

LIEN1: STAT DT:07/21/2006 TYPE:ORI AMERICAN HONDA FINANCE CORPORA

8601 MCALPINE PARK DRIVE

#230

CHARLOTTE NC 28211

FILING DATE: 07/14/2006



State of Nevada Marriage Certificate

 N_0 . (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Fee: \$10.00 N/C Fee: \$0.00

09:31:34

Requestor:

State of Nevada	SS:	RECORDER CLARK COUNTY	
County of Clark	. ,	Frances Deane DNY Clark County Recorder (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) gs.	
did on the	that the undersigned, Minimizer (print) day of Vine	name and title of official performing marriage) 20 (Cross Construction of the performing marriage) Nevada,	
join in lawful wedlock [6	(Groom)	C AMBOUNT	
of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)	, State/Country (ot VIRGINIA .	
of 0,0,0,7,6	, State/Country of	of VIRGINIA , (b) (7)(C)	
SEAL YES OF ALL SEAL YES OF THE SEAL YES OF TH	Signature of Advisor of City: State a	(Witness) (6), (b) (7) (C) If Official Performing Marriage (Black Int. Only) and Title of Official Official Performing Marriage Vegar Nu 99/22 and Zip-Code	
Shirley B. Parriguirre, County Bride/Groom Address:	(6), (b) (7)(C)		

This Certificate must be presented to the Clark County Recorder within ten days. 500 S.Grand Central Parkway, Las Vegas, Nevada 89155-1510

REPORT INSERT - OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL MEMORANDUM OF INTERVIEW **INTERVIEW OF** DATE OF INTERVIEW October 1, 2008 On October 1, 2008, Reporting Agent (RA) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), of the Mid-Atlantic Regional Office of Investigations, and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Counsel to the Inspector General, Federal Election Commission (FEC), interviewed (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Contracting Officer Representative (COTR), Federal Election Commission, regarding knowledge of GSA contractor, Advanced Technology Systems, Inc. (ATS) contract with the FEC. The interview was conducted at the FEC offices located at 999 E Street, NW. Washington, DC 20463. The interview began at approximately 10:00 AM and ended at approximately 10:50 AM. stated that a company called Advanced Technology Systems (ATS) began the Information Technology (IT) work at FEC however after beginning the job ATS decided it no longer wanted the job and terminated the contract. FEC then competed the work as a result; ATS won the bid and was awarded the contract. It took some time for the FEC to get ATS up to speed on the FEC's IT database therefore, it seemed logical and cost effective to to sole source additional work to ATS. stated that in 🎹 role as the COTR 🌃 could only suggest or make recommendations to 🚾 Contracting Officer (CO), FEC on contracting matters and advise on technical matters. stated it was 🚾 idea to keep awarding work to ATS and presented 🚾 idea to l (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and the CO. stated that is the current FEC CO for the ATS contract. elated that en contact at ATS was (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Program Manager, who oversaw a number of projects for ATS. The work being performed at FEC by ATS was one of projects. stated that also spoke with (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Vice President, ATS on occasion. was no longer with ATS. , ATS Project Manager, worked on site at FEC and was in charge of the ATS p) (6), (b) (7)(C) reported directly to (50.00) stated that there was weekly progress meetings held at FEC and attended approximately two meetings per month. believed (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) took over approximately two to three years ago for the former ATS Project never attended the weekly meetings and neither did the FEC C O. Manager, 6 stated was not sure about the succession but thought that preceded the ATS Project Manager. stated that also reported to and was above may have attended weekly progress meetings at FEC once or twice a year. stated that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) worked on site at FEC as the ATS Project Manager prior to o) (6), (b) (7)(C) was hired as a permanent FEC employee by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) at which time (10,00) was promoted to Project Manager to replace (b) (6), (b) (7 ASSIGNMENT NUMBER REPORTING AGENT DATE PREPARED SUPERVISOR 106-0216 10-01-2008 ASAC

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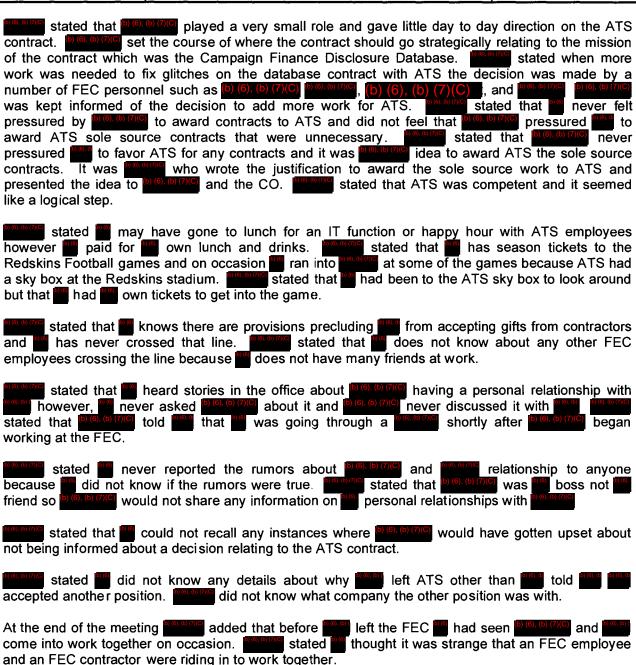
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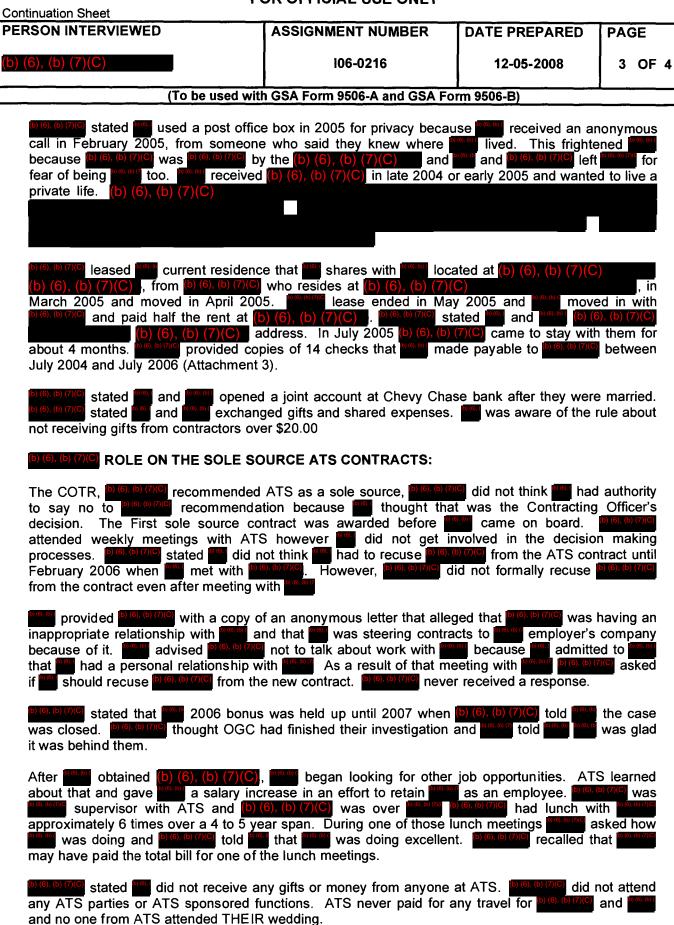
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DIG. (6) (6) (7)(C) set the course of where the contract should go strategically relating to the mission



REPORT INSERT - OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL MEMORANDUM OF INTERVIEW **INTERVIEW OF** DATE OF INTERVIEW (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) December 5, 2008 On December 5, 2008, Reporting Agent (RA) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), of the Mid-Atlantic Regional Office of Investigations, and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Counsel to the Inspector General, Federal Election Commission (FEC), interviewed (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), FEC, regarding knowledge of GSA contractor, Advanced Technology Systems' (ATS) contract with the FEC and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) relationship with former ATS employee (b) (6), (b) (7)(C). Also in attendance were (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) attorney's (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) , of O'Melveny & Myers LLP. The interview was conducted at the General Services Administration (GSA), Office of Inspector General's (OIG), office located at 300 D Street, SW, Suite 800, Washington, DC 20024. The interview began at approximately 9:00 AM and ended at approximately 11:35 AM. was advised of prights, was acknowledged that was understood was rights and signed an Advisement of rights form (Attachment 1). blear working at the FEC in September 2003 as the blear working at the FEC in September 2003 as the blear working at the stated came onboard with the FEC as a grade 15 and in 2005 entered the Senior Level grade status. 60.60,00,000 advised RA that when accepted the position at the FEC was new to the advised RA that when accepted the position at the FEC was new to the government from the private sector and was not aware of some government rules. Prior to working at Richmond, VA. official stated the ATS contract was already in place when got came onboard and had been in place since 2002. 6(7)(7)(7)(8) became the [6](8) of the IT section in 2004, as such [6](8) analyzed the disclosure database and tracked candidate filings and performed maintenance support of Disco to ensure it was integrated and mapped with other FEC data systems. stated that when came onboard in 2003 staff consisted of 🗓 and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), who was initially the Q&A Manager of the ATS contract later applied for a position that was posted on USA Jobs and was hired, [6] (6) (7)(C) added that employed by ATS was reassigned to work at HUD before came on board to work on site at the FEC. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is currently employed at the FE between promotion and the FEC hiring (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is currently employed at the FEC. b) (6), (b) (7)(c) stated there was no connection began working at the FEC in February 2004 on a part time basis until April 2004 when because took over management of the FEC project and began working full time. ATS' sole source contract began led that contract for 13 months and put the architecture in place. in January 2004. got involved in the project by attending weekly meetings in April 2004. It was during those meetings that (b)(6),(b)(7)(d) noticed that (b)(6),(b) was late for a couple of the meetings so (b)(6),(b) ASSIGNMENT NUMBER REPORTING AGENT DATE PREPARED SUPERVISOR 12-05-2008 106-0216 ASAC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) OTHER ADMINSTRATIVE INFORMATION (Use continuation sheet, GSA Form 9506-C)

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Witness (if available):

FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20462 Office of Inspector General

ADVICE OF RIGHTS/WAIVER (GARRITY) (FEDERAL EMPLOYEE NOT IN CUSTODY)

You are being contacted to solicit your cooperation in an official inquiry regarding misconduct of improper performance of official duties. The authority to conduct this interview is contained in the Inspector General Act of 1978, 5 U.S.C. App. 3. The matter under investigation could also constitute a violation of law that could result in criminal prosecution of responsible individuals. This inquiry pertains to an alleged conflict of interest involving Advanced Technology Systems, Inc. (ATS).

I, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) have been advised that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is a Special Agent with the General Services Administration, Office of Inspector General, and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is Counsel to the Inspector General of the Federal Election Commission, Office of Inspector General. I have also been advised that:

- 1. I have the right to remain silent if my answers may incriminate me;
- 2. If I do decide to answer questions or make a statement, my statement will be voluntarily made and I may stop answering at any time;
- 3. Anything I say may be used as evidence in both an administrative proceeding and in any future criminal proceeding;
- 4. Although I would normally be expected to answer questions regarding my official duties, if I refuse to answer the questions posed to me on the grounds that the answers may tend to incriminate me, I cannot be discharged solely for remaining silent.

WAIVER I have read this statement of my rights and understand what my rights are. I am willing to make a

voluntary statement and answer any questions. I understand and know what I am doing. No promises or threats have been made to me, and no pressure or coercion of any kind has been used against me to induce me to execute this waiver of my rights.

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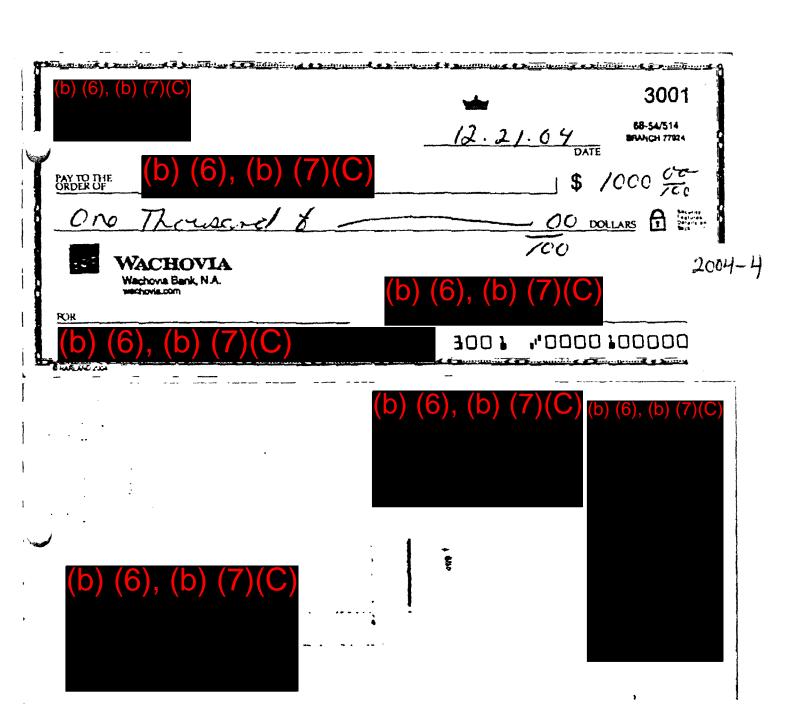
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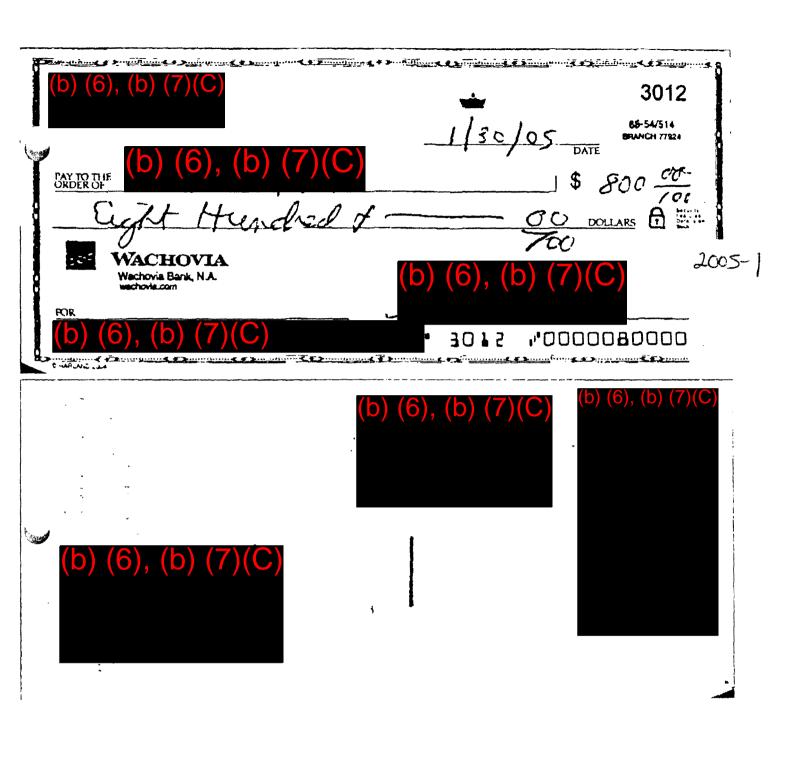
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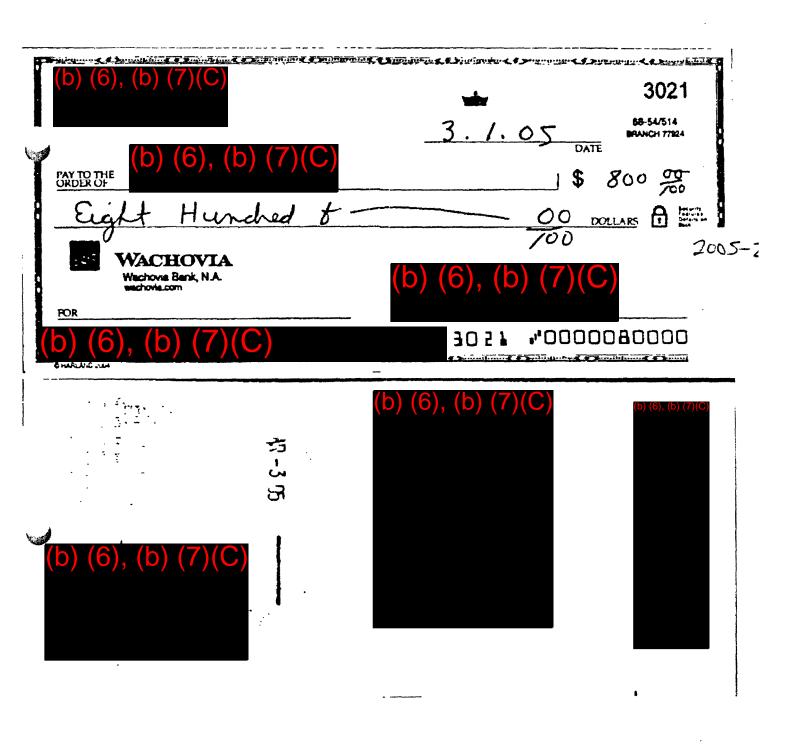
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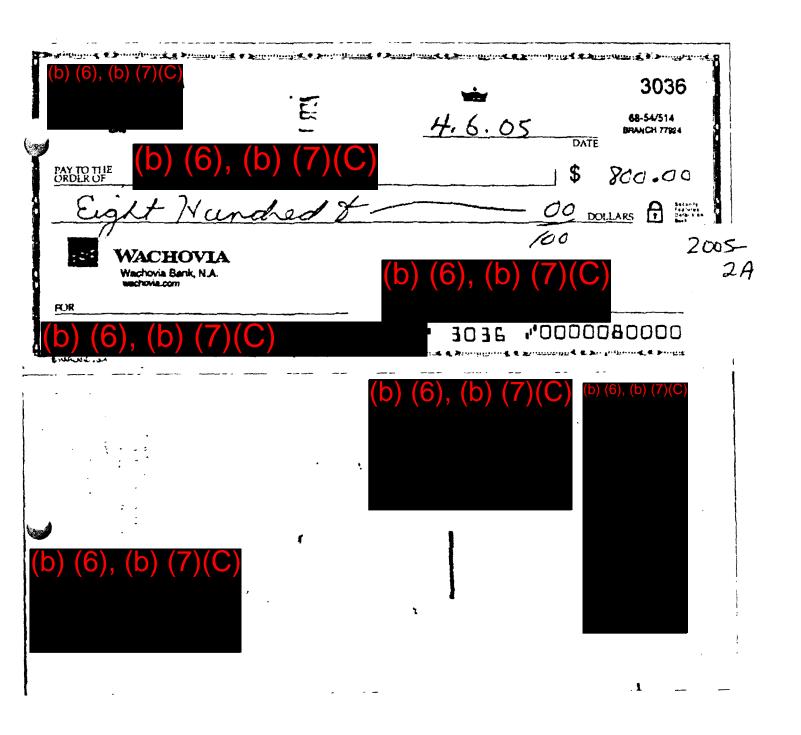
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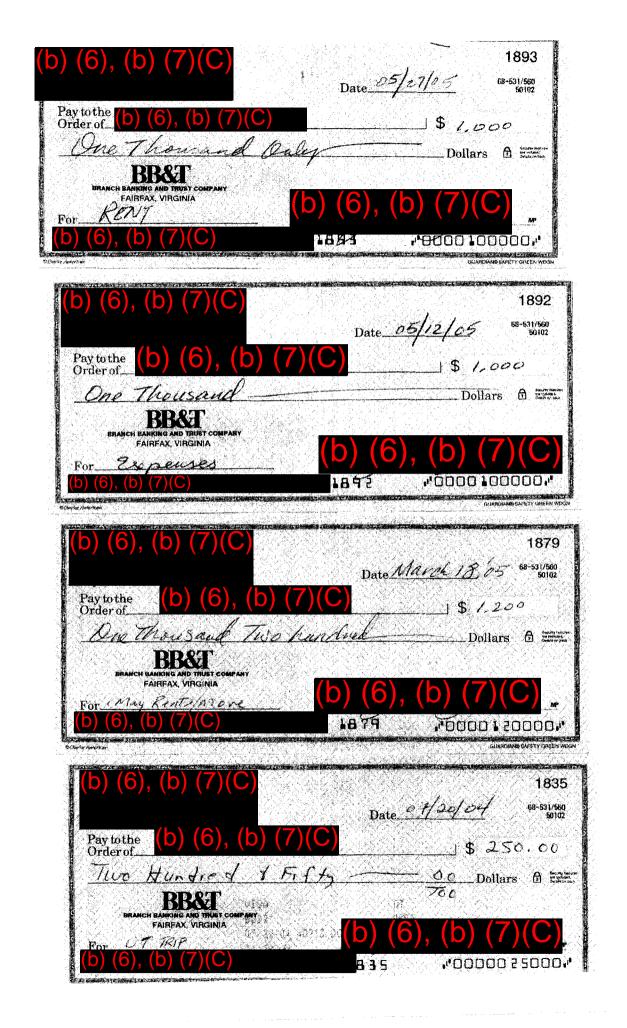
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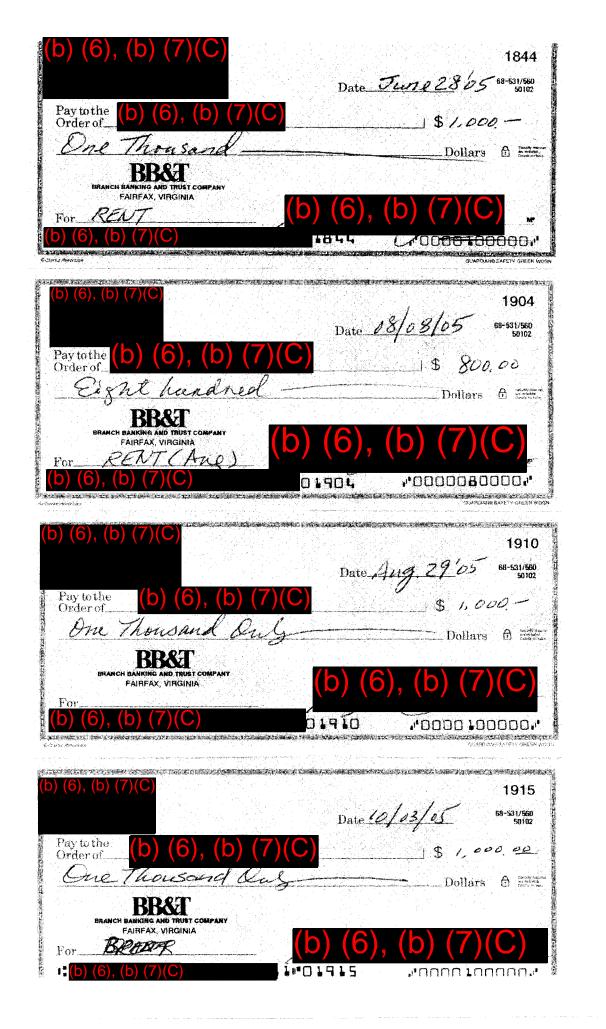
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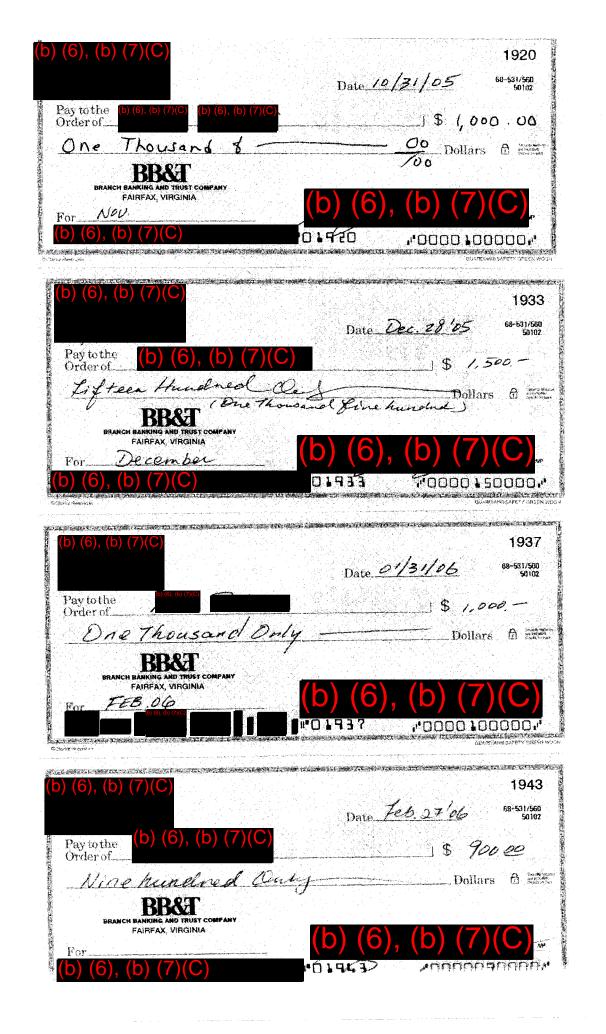


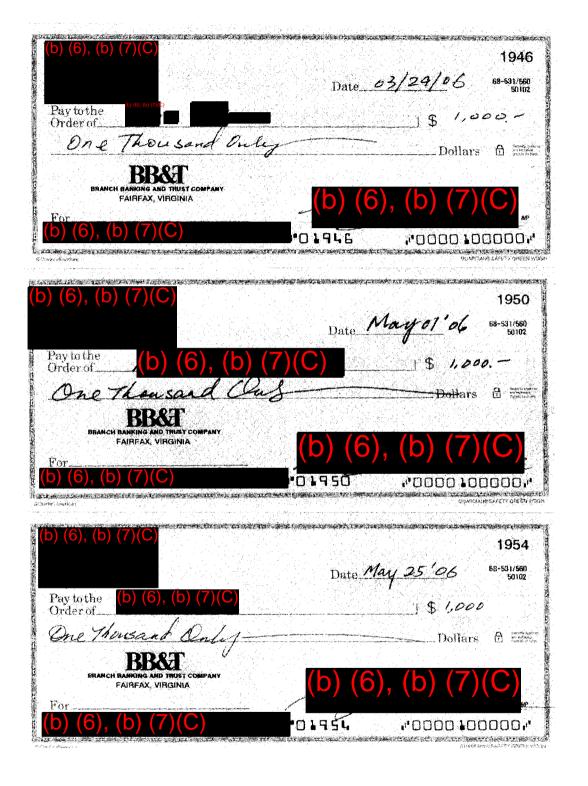
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To (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)@gsa.gov>

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bcc Subject (b) (6) **FEC** matter

☐ This message has been replied to.

Dear Special Agent

Sincerely,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Assistant United States Attorney Fraud and Public Corruption Section District of Columbia

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (Fax)



U.S. GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION Office of Inspector General

August 2, 2010

MEMORANDUM FOR:

ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE (JI-W)

FROM:

SPECIAL AGENT (JI-W)

SUBJECT:

Report of Investigation re:

MOTOROLA-FALSE CLAIMS

QUI TAM

Case Number: I-07-0127

This memorandum presents the findings of my investigation. No further actions or referrals are necessary to close this matter.

On February 16, 2007, the General Services Administration (GSA) Office of Inspector General (OIG), National Capital Region Office of Investigations (JI-W), received information of a Qui Tam filed by a Relator alleging MOTOROLA Inc. (MOTOROLA) defrauded the United States Government by failing to provide GSA with current and accurate discounting practice information during contract negotiations for GSA contract# GS-35F-1125D. The Relator alleged MOTOROLA's failure to disclose accurate discount information resulted in overcharges to the United States Government in excess of \$100 million dollars.

From June 2007 to March 2008, GSA OIG Special Agents, General Counsel, and officials from the U.S. Department of Justice reviewed GSA contract files GS-35F-1125D and GS-35F-0004L, reviewed documents obtained from MOTOROLA through an Inspector General subpoena, conducted interviews of former MOTOROLA employees and current GSA procurement officials.

On February 24, 2010, The Relator voluntarily dismissed the civil complaint filed against MOTOROLA. The Reporting Agent was subsequently informed by officials at the U.S. Department of Justice that the United States Government declined intervention of the complaint against MOTOROLA.

This matter does not require any further investigation or action.

Northeast Regional Investigations Office

April 15, 2011

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

FROM: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE (JI-2)

SUBJECT: CASE CLOSING MEMORANDUM

COGENERATION PLANT- MISMANAGEMENT 201 VARICK STREET, NEW YORK, NY

File Number: I0920929

This memorandum presents the findings of our investigation. No further actions or referrals are necessary to close this matter.

On September 23, 2008, the General Services Administration (GSA), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Northeast Regional Investigations Office (JI-2), received information from (b) (7)(D)), that the CoGeneration Plant (CGP) project, Contract GS-00P-05-BSD-0359, located at 201 Varick Street, NY, was mismanaged. (b) (7)(D) stated the project began in 2004, under the direction of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), GSA-Manhattan Service District, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, NY, and was completed in 2007. The Operating and Maintenance (O&M) expense required to service the CGP was not considered and resulted in the CGP sitting dormant when the warranty expired. (b) (7)(D) was not sure if the CGP involved fraud, but believed the project was mismanaged. The following summarizes the results of our investigation.

ten million dollars to service the CGP. stated that (b) (6). (b) (7)(C), retired GSA Contracting Officer, signed off on the installation contract knowing that the O&M contract details were not agreed upon between GSA and CES. stated the CGP was supposed to save GSA \$250,000 a year if CES serviced it. However, it is now going to cost GSA over \$300,000 a year to operate it.

On July 9, 2009, JI-2 Special Agents interviewed (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) **Property** Manager, GSA/PBS, 290 Broadway, New York, NY, who provided the following was tasked by GSA information. After only being with GSA for under a year, management to correct the problems GSA was having with the \overline{CGP} . CGP was to make 201 Varick Street a self sustainable building and to conserve energy, "go green." At the time of the interview, (b) (6), (b) (7)(c) stated the CGP runs but does not stay running due to ongoing mechanical problems and exorbitant contractor tariffs. The GSA contract required the CGP be commissioned by CES, which explained commissioned to mean that the plant must be running for a predetermined amount of time. stated the predetermined amount of time is usually approximately 10,000 hours. CES ran the CGP for about two weeks but did not properly commission CGP as required by the stated there was no service contract for the CGP, and that CES stated they would run the CGP because other contractors are not capable or willing to run the CGP successfully. stated that the CGP cost GSA \$8 million to install. Additionally, stated it would take at least five-hundred thousand dollars to get the plant running properly and then about a million dollars a year to have full time stationary engineers on site to maintain it. opined that these additional expenses incorporated with the initial anticipated operation expenses of the CGP would cost GSA more money than the project would ever provide in savings.

On November 12, 2009, JI-2 Special Agents interviewed (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Acquisition 6) (6), (b) (7)(C), GSA/PBS, 26 Federal Plaza, New York, NY, who provided the following was the was of GSA's Manhattan Service Center at the time CGP's information. negotiations were taking place. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated that removed the responsibility of the O&M from the contract, and understanding was that wanted to change how the O&M on the CGP would be done. attempted to renegotiate the O&M contract with CES, after retired, but was unsuccessful. CES agreed to ensure the CGP was up and running for two weeks, but left after running the CGP for a few days. The CGP started leaking after CES left. It is common for PBS to award the installation contract for a project to one contractor and award the O&M contract for the same project to a different contractor. stated GSA was not misled by CES; however, terms regarding the O&M could not be agreed upon after the installation contract was awarded.

On September 10, 2010, a JI-2 Special Agent re-interviewed Specialist, GSA/PBS, who provided the following information. Stated that the negotiation for the CGP project was already in progress when the contract was assigned to in Tourist. The installation of the CGP was completed in 2007; however, the CGP was not used until October 2008. At the time the contract was outlined, GSA did not have the expertise of a CGP contract. As a result, GSA relied on CES. The contract for

installation was approved by GSA before the terms and conditions of O&M contract was agreed upon. CES subsequently did not agree to any of the terms and conditions offered by GSA regarding the O&M work. was unhappy as to the way the project turned out. The CGP is now working but through another O&M contract. CES did not do anything illegal but did not act in good faith.

On October 26, 2010, a JI-2 Special Agent interviewed (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) CES, who provided the following information. was the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on the CGP project. CES did not have any problems with GSA during the construction of the CGP. The terms and conditions of the O&M could have been negotiated before the contract was signed; however, CES could not reach an agreement with GSA. GSA had the option of setting the contract in motion without an O&M contract in place and that is what they did. CES wanted an O&M contract before the commencement of the project but could not reach an agreement with GSA and GSA wanted to go ahead with the project. After the project was completed, GSA did not operate the plant for about a year because they did not have the O&M contract in place. CES never walked away from the job. stated that CES assists GSA and the company which currently has the O&M contract for the CGP when they need assistance with maintenance. claimed that CES provides assistance to GSA without financial reimbursement because CES has a name to maintain. The projection of a \$250,000 yearly profit to GSA by CES was not a contractual requirement nor was it a guaranteed savings. anything wrong according to the contract.

On January 10, 2011, a JI-2 Special Agent received from part of the O&M contract for the CGP. The O&M states that the contract number is GS-06F-0025R, and the contractor is LB&B Associates Inc. (LB&B), 9891 Broken Land Parkway, Suite 400, Columbia, MD 21046. The O&M contract outlines LB&B's responsibilities in maintaining the CGP from December 1, 2010 through December 31, 2012.

Based upon interviews of both GSA and CES personnel, it appears the contract for the CGP installation was awarded to CES prior to any agreement being made upon the O&M aspect of the project. This resulted in GSA and CES not being able to come to an agreement on an O&M contract, which consequently resulted in the CGP being inactive for a period of time. This investigation did not disclose any indicators of criminal or civil fraud associated with the GSA contracts; however, the quick award of the contract by GSA prior to establishing an O&M agreement with CES appears to have played a role in the subsequent issues that have played the project over the last few years.

Consequently, JI-2 has concluded its investigation and no further action is warranted.

September 9, 2011

MEMORANDUM FOR GEOFFREY CHERRINGTON

ASSISTANT INSPECTOR GENERAL

FOR INVESTIGATIONS (JI)

FROM: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) /// Signed /// (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE (JI-9)

SUBJECT: Case Closing Memorandum

Case Title: SUSPECTED WEX CREDIT CARD FRAUD - G41-1607G - PITTSBURGH. CA AND SURROUNDING

AREA

Case Number: I1090943

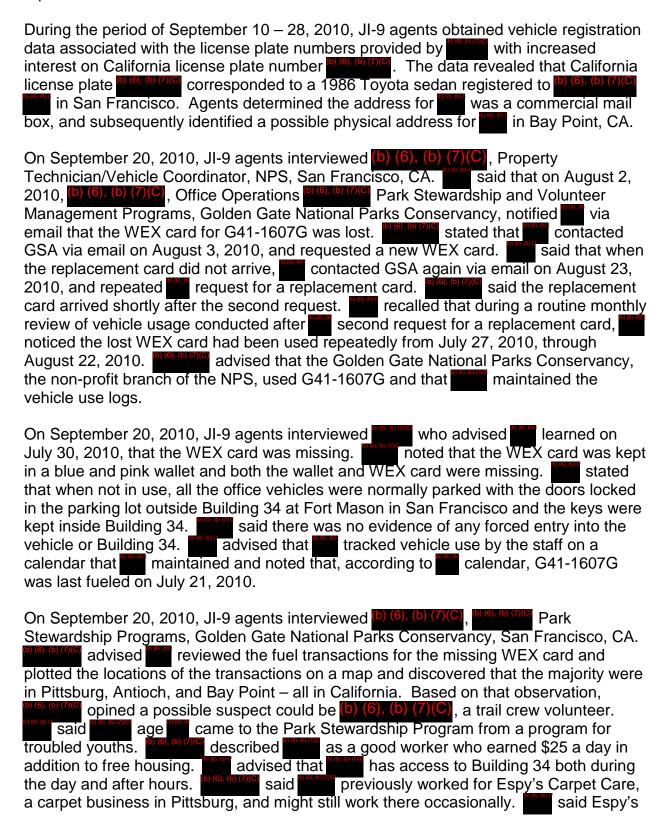
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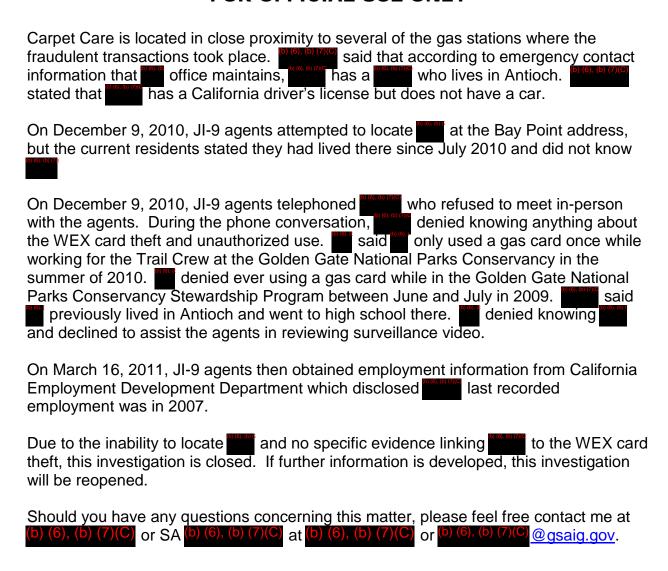
On August 26, 2010, (b) (7) (c), Region 9 (b) (6), (b) (7) (c) Card Services Team, Fleet Management Division, Federal Acquisition Service, U.S. General Services Administration (GSA), notified the Pacific Rim Regional Office of Investigations (JI-9) of possible fraudulent Wright Express (WEX) credit card transactions associated with U.S. Government vehicle number G41-1607G, a National Parks Service (NPS) vehicle. According to over 150 suspected fraudulent transactions totaling \$12,508.47 were posted to the WEX card during the period of July 27, 2010, to August 22, 2010.

On September 10, 2010, JI-9 agents met with the managers of three of the gas stations where the WEX card was used to gather any available information regarding the suspect transactions. (b) (6), (b) (7)(c), the manager of the Circle K station in Pittsburg, CA, said noticed suspicious activity around the fuel pumps on August 19th and went outside to see what was happening. stated saw two males who appeared to be collecting money and assisting other individuals fueling various vehicles. noted the license plate numbers of several vehicles, including the plate number (California license plate number males. of a vehicle that may have been driven by one of the aforementioned males. Said called the Pittsburg Police

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On September 10, 2010, JI-9 determined that Pittsburg Police Department wrote a report on the incident but took no further action.





U.S. GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATIONOffice of Inspector General

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July 2, 2010

MEMORANDUM FOR:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

ASSISTANT SPECIAL AGENT-IN-CHARGE (JI-W)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

FROM:

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SUBJECT: Report of Investigation re

Report of Investigation re: **Employee Misconduct**

SPECIAL AGENT (JI-W)

Case Number: Z-10-H-0344

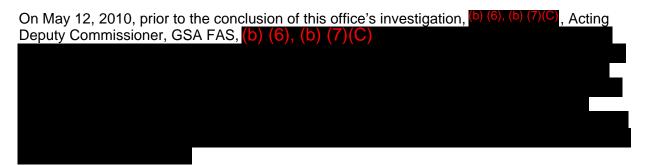
This memorandum presents the findings of my investigation. No further actions or referrals are necessary to close this matter.

This case was initiated based on a complaint letter alleging (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Strategic Planning and Analysis Branch, Federal Acquisition Service (FAS), improperly pressured a subordinate employee to defer jury duty and forged the employee's signature on a letter to the clerk of the Loudon County Circuit Court requesting the employee be excused from jury duty. This office reviewed the investigative file of the General Services Administration (GSA) Human Resources (HR) division, which initially investigated the matter; conducted additional interviews and inquiries; and presented the case to the Commonwealth Attorney's Office for Loudon County. Virginia for consideration of possible criminal prosecution.

The complaint alleges that in November 2009, exerted pressure on a subordinate employee to seek deferment of from jury duty in Loudon County, Virginia, so that the employee could attend an event and receive on-the-job training from a more experienced employee. On the night before the employee's scheduled jury service, the complainant alleged that wrote a letter purporting to be from the employee that requested deferment of the employee's jury service. The letter stated the employee's job could be negatively impacted if the employee served jury duty that day.

This office reviewed the interview notes of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) HR Specialist (Employee Relations), who interviewed (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and the employee who was summoned for jury duty.

Supervisor, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), was also interviewed. Based on those interviews, it was unclear whether the employee consented to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) writing and signing the letter on the employee's behalf, although it was clear the employee felt pressured into seeking deferment of jury service.



The Loudon County Commonwealth Attorney's Office declined to prosecute due to insufficient evidence of criminal activity.

June 19, 2012

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

FROM: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SPECIAL AGENT-IN-CHARGE (JI-1)

SUBJECT: Case Closing Memorandum

GSA NEW ENGLAND REGION HOLIDAY PARTY

File Number: Z1010188

On December 11, 2009, the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA), Office of Inspector General (OIG), New England Regional Investigations Office (JI-1), received an email complaint alleging possible fraud, waste and abuse by GSA, Public Building Service (PBS), New England Region personnel attending a December 2009 "All Hands" meeting that coincided with a previously scheduled holiday party. The complainant stated this event occurred annually and was costing the taxpayers thousands of dollars each year and believes it was waste, fraud and abuse. According to the complainant, GSA New England Region employees were paid per diem for three days to attend an "All Hands" meeting and later stayed for the holiday party. Additionally, the complainant further states that the meeting was a "farce" and that it concluded at 2:00 p.m., giving the associates ample time to return to their duty locations or home.

JI-1 Special Agents reviewed relevant documents and interviewed GSA New England Region employees who authorized and coordinated the All Hands meeting and holiday party held on December 9, 2009. JI-1 Special Agents also interviewed a sample of GSA New England Region employees who attended both the All Hands meeting and holiday party held on December 9, 2009. All GSA employees interviewed stated the All Hands meeting served a legitimate purpose and need for the GSA employees who attended. According to those interviewed, the training began at 8:30 a.m. and concluded at approximately 3:30 p.m. Those who authorized and coordinated both functions advised the All Hands meeting was held in disregard for the holiday party. All GSA employees interviewed advised the GSA New England Region holiday party held on December 9, 2009, was attended voluntarily and absolutely no government funds were used to pay for the event. Those who attended the holiday party paid \$30.00 each, which was used to cover all of the costs for the event. An interview was conducted of the non-GSA affiliated General Manager hosting the holiday party who provided a receipt/invoice and corroborated how payments were made for the event. Additionally, a review was conducted of all travel vouchers associated with and submitted by GSA New England Region employees for the All Hands meeting and holiday party. All vouchers appeared to be in accordance with GSA policies and regulations.

This investigation did not substantiate the claims made on December 11, 2009. This investigation is now closed.

Northeast and Caribbean Regional Investigations Office

December 21, 2009

MEMORANDUM FOR THE FILE

FROM: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)(c)

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE (JI-2)

SUBJECT: Case Closing Memorandum

GSA New England Region Holiday Party

GSA/Public Building Service

New England Region Boston, MA 02222

File Number: Z1010188

On December 11, 2009, the GSA/Office of Inspector General (OIG), Boston Resident Field Investigations Office (JI-1), received an email complaint alleging possible waste, fraud and abuse by GSA/Public Building Service (PBS), New England Region, personnel attending a December 2009 "All Hands" meeting that coincides with a previously scheduled Holiday party. The complainant states this event occurs annually and it is costing the taxpayers thousands of dollars each year and believes it is waste, fraud and abuse.

According to the complainant, GSA associates from the New England Region were paid per diem for three days to attend the "All Hands" meeting and later stayed for the holiday party. Additionally, the complainant further states that the meeting was a "farce" and that it concluded at 2:00 p.m., giving the associates ample time to return to their duty locations or home.

In November 2008, JI-1 received a similar complaint on the same subject and it was documented under Case File Number Z0910081. This case was determined to be a management issue and was forwarded to Dennis R. Smith, Regional Administrator, New England Region, for management review. On May 4, 2009, Acting Regional Administrator Glenn C. Rotondo responded by advising that these meetings were legitimate, substantive meetings designed to review critical regional issues, provide training and strengthen morale. Acting Regional Administrator Rotondo further advised that it was regional management's practice to plan the holiday party to coincide with these meetings in order to afford associates who are not located in Boston the opportunity to meet with their fellow employees in a business as well as social setting.

JI-1 will not conduct an investigation into this matter, and this case will be closed.

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June 14, 2012

MEMORANDUM FOR GEOFFREY CHERRINGTON

ASSISTANT INSPECTOR GENERAL

FOR INVESTIGATIONS (JI)

FROM: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

SPECIAL AGENT IN CHARGE (JI-1)

SUBJECT: Case Closing Memorandum

Threats to Release Personally Identifiable Information

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

Administrative Support Contractor

Plaza Personnel, LTD

4047 Central Street, Kansas, City, MO

File Number: Z1010769

This investigation was initiated on August 2, 2010, when the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA), Office of Inspector General, New England Regional Investigations Office (JI-1), received information from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Northeast Operations Center, Supplier Management, Federal Acquisition Service (FAS), regarding (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Administrative Support Contractor, GSA/FAS, hired under GSA contract number GS-07F-0023N, Plaza Personnel, LTD., 4047 Central Street, Kansas City, MO. reported that on July 29, 2010, (b) (7)(c) allegedly told another GSA contract employee about a database discovered containing GSA FAS/Supplier Management personnel's Personally Identifiable Information (PII) and told this employee that when quit job would leave with a "bang" by using the PII against GSA. The following morning, this incident was reported to the Department of Homeland Security, Federal Protective Service (DHS/FPS) before reported to work. Immediately after learning of the incident, GSA Information Technology (IT) Division removed the laptop assigned to (b) (6), (b) (7)(0) from the office to determine if the file with the PII data had been copied, forwarded or printed. Upon o) (6), (b) (7)(C) arrival for work on July was relieved from duty and government identification card was confiscated 30, 2010, before the DHS/FPS escorted out of the Thomas P. O'Neill, Federal Office Building (FOB), Boston, MA. In addition to reporting this incident to JI-1, also reported the incident to the GSA Office of the Senior Agency Information Security Officer. JI-1 obtained and reviewed a copy of the DHS/FPS incident report which corroborated (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) complaint.

JI-1 obtained the hard drive that was removed from the laptop assigned to sent to a JI-3 Special Agent certified as a Seized Computer Evidence Recovery Specialist (SCERS) to conduct a forensic examination of the hard drive for any evidence that (SCERS) to conduct a forensic examination of the hard drive for any evidence that

accessed files containing PII data and to determine if any of the PII data was downloaded, emailed or transferred to any other device. On September 14, 2010, the SCERS Special Agent obtained a disk which contained (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) network share storage where (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Lotus Notes e-mail archive files were maintained.

On October 7, 2010, the SCERS Special Agent provided a forensic report of the hard drive and Lotus e-mail account assigned to (b) (6), (b) (7)(c) The examination concluded (b) (6), (b) (7)(c) to a [shared] file (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), the file containing PII data. However, the examination showed (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) only accessed this file on July 29, 2010, the day stated saw the file b) (6), (b) (7)(C) computer. There was no evidence (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) downloaded the file onto the hard drive. There was evidence that three external devices were attached to was logged on computer, however, there was no corollary laptop when information between the insertion of external devices and the access to the file in question. It was noted in the report that only the most recent date and time the external device was attached to the hard drive would be maintained in the Microsoft Windows registry. No definitive evidence was identified that (b) downloaded files to an external device although it is possible to transfer files to an external device without leaving evidence that such an action took place. The review of the Lotus e-mail account did not identify any relevant information.

On November 16, 2010, JI-1 Special Agents interviewed stated had only mistakenly opened that file containing the PII data within the database (6), (b) (7)(C) on July claimed clicked on an icon on the left window pane of the file was working with when the file containing the PII data appeared. said prior to this had not entered that file and did not know it existed. [This corroborates the information contained in the SCERS forensic report denied showing the file with the did not copy, download, print or otherwise remove the PII data to anyone and stated information in that file for any reason or to cause harm towards GSA employees. denied showing the file in question to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), GSA Contract Employee, or making any would do with the information when threatening remarks about what was no longer working at the GSA facility. When asked why did not report discovering the database file to supervisor, (b) (6), (b) (7)(c) claimed supervisor left the office at 2:30 p.m. and had planned on reporting it the following day. [The SCERS forensic report indicated the file in question was b) (6), (b) (7)(C) at 1:59 p.m.] The following day (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) employment at GSA was accessed by terminated.

On November 19, 2010, JI-1 Special Agents re-interviewed reported to supervisor and the DHS/FPS on July 30, 2010.

On November 22, 2010, JI-1 was advised that (b) (6), (b) (7)(c) computer was no longer in the system to check when the Microsoft Office Windows 2007 migration was performed but other computers in the area appeared to have been migrated on June 8, 2010. According to all of the information JI-1 received, it appears that the file in question was only shared on other computers when this migration was performed. Since this incident occurred, however, the database file with the PII data was modified to delete PII data and further encryption was going to be used.

According to (6) (6) (7) (C) the database file containing the spreadsheet with PII data was restricted to GSA FAS/Supplier Management personnel in Boston, MA. There were seventy five (75) names on the spreadsheet, both former and current employees where emergency contact information was viewable (i.e. home address, telephone numbers and dates of birth), and of those, approximately nine (9) employees Social Security Account Numbers (SSAN) were in view. (5) (6) (7) (C) further advised that the nine employees where the SSAN's may have been breached were offered free credit monitoring services for one year.

JI-1 does not contemplate any further investigation on this matter, and the case is closed.