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March 12, 2025

VIA E-MAIL

RE: FOIA Request No. DOC-OIG-2025-000163

This letter is regarding your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, tracking number DOC-OIG-2025-000163, dated February 10, 2025, and received by the Department of Commerce, Office of Inspector General (OIG) on February 11, 2025, in which you seek “a list of the Dept of Commerce Office of Inspector General INVESTIGATIONS closed during calendar years 2023 and 2024. The records should include information for each investigation, specifically the case number, the subject of the investigation, the category of the investigation, the open date, and the closing date.”

A search of records maintained by the OIG has located three (3) pages that are responsive to your request. We have reviewed these pages under the terms of FOIA and have determined that all of the pages may be released to you in full.

For your information, Congress excluded three discrete categories of law enforcement and national security records from the requirements of FOIA. See 5 U.S.C. § 552(c) (2012 & Supp. V 2017). This response is limited to those records that are subject to the requirements of FOIA. This is a standard notification to all OIG requesters and should not be taken as an indication that excluded records do, or do not, exist.

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Counsel to the Inspector General  
U.S. Department of Commerce  
Office of Inspector General, Office of Counsel  
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Washington, D.C. 20230

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If you have any questions or concerns or would like to discuss any aspect of your request, you may contact the analyst who processed your request, Laura Main, by telephone at (202) 794-8066 or by email at [foia@oig.doc.gov](mailto:foia@oig.doc.gov). You may also contact me, the OIG FOIA Public Liaison, at:

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In addition, you may contact the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS) at the National Archives and Records Administration to inquire about the FOIA mediation services they offer. The contact information for OGIS is as follows:

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Sincerely,  
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Jennifer Piel  
FOIA Officer

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Enclosure

<b>ID</b>	<b>Disposition</b>	<b>Allegation</b>	<b>Date Closed</b>
10-0069	I - Investigative Case	False Statement	06/01/2023
10-0069	I - Investigative Case	False Claim	06/01/2023
17-0111	I - Investigative Case	Contract Matters	05/23/2023
17-0111	I - Investigative Case	Environmental Issues	05/23/2023
17-0794	I - Investigative Case	Antitrust	01/03/2023
17-0891	I - Investigative Case	Theft	04/01/2024
18-0581	I - Investigative Case	Wire/Mail Fraud	03/29/2023
18-0768	I - Investigative Case	Conflict of Interest	09/13/2023
18-1225	I - Investigative Case	Grant Matters	08/01/2024
19-0007	I - Investigative Case	Contract Matters	08/01/2024
19-0043	I - Investigative Case	Other DOC Related Allegation	07/10/2023
19-0110	I - Investigative Case	Grant Matters	08/30/2023
19-0241	I - Investigative Case	Grant Matters	08/30/2023
19-0314	I - Investigative Case	Contract Matters	09/26/2023
19-0424	I - Investigative Case	False Claim	09/27/2024
19-0542	I - Investigative Case	Theft	08/27/2024
19-0579	I - Investigative Case	Grant Matters	03/06/2024
19-0665	I - Investigative Case	False Statement	04/01/2024
19-0665	I - Investigative Case	Contract Matters	04/01/2024
19-0665	I - Investigative Case	Contract Matters	04/01/2024
19-0665	I - Investigative Case	Contract Matters	04/01/2024
19-0769	I - Investigative Case	Grant Matters	02/28/2023
19-0804	W - Whistleblower	HR Matter	04/28/2023
19-0804	W - Whistleblower	Whistleblower Reprisal	04/28/2023
19-1040	W - Whistleblower	Whistleblower Reprisal	05/15/2023
20-0054	I - Investigative Case	Grant Matters	03/11/2024
20-0054	I - Investigative Case	Conflict of Interest	03/11/2024
20-0054	I - Investigative Case	Program Issues	03/11/2024
20-0440	I - Investigative Case	False Statement	08/09/2023
20-0574	I - Investigative Case	Harassment or Hostile Work Environment	10/01/2024
20-0574	I - Investigative Case	Threats and Physical Violence	10/01/2024
20-0574	I - Investigative Case	Misuse of GOV	10/01/2024
20-0574	I - Investigative Case	Time and Attendance Issue	10/01/2024
20-0574	I - Investigative Case	Travel Card Abuse	10/01/2024
20-0574	I - Investigative Case	Abuse of Official Position or Authority	10/01/2024
20-0616	I - Investigative Case	Program Fraud	05/23/2023
20-0656	W - Whistleblower	Whistleblower Reprisal	10/31/2023
20-0656	W - Whistleblower	Program Issues	10/31/2023
20-0656	W - Whistleblower	Program Fraud	10/31/2023
20-0656	W - Whistleblower	Time and Attendance Issue	10/31/2023
20-0688	I - Investigative Case	Wire/Mail Fraud	07/08/2024
20-0688	I - Investigative Case	Sweepstakes or other Scams	07/08/2024
20-0764	W - Whistleblower	Grant Matters	09/27/2024
20-0764	W - Whistleblower	Conflict of Interest	09/27/2024
20-0764	W - Whistleblower	Whistleblower Reprisal	09/27/2024
20-0814	I - Investigative Case	Grant Matters	09/27/2024
20-0909	I - Investigative Case	Grant Matters	10/28/2024
20-0969	I - Investigative Case	Grant Matters	10/31/2023
20-1057	I - Investigative Case	Environmental Issues	03/06/2024
20-1057	I - Investigative Case	False Statement	03/06/2024
20-1057	I - Investigative Case	False Claim	03/06/2024
20-1057	I - Investigative Case	Antitrust	03/06/2024

20-1184	I - Investigative Case	Theft	03/19/2024
20-1261	I - Investigative Case	Grant Matters	12/07/2023
20-1471	I - Investigative Case	False Statement	03/06/2024
21-0495	I - Investigative Case	Cyber-Crime	10/31/2023
21-0554	W - Whistleblower	Whistleblower Reprisal	09/18/2023
21-0751	I - Investigative Case	Conflict of Interest	03/01/2023
21-0856	W - Whistleblower	Harassment or Hostile Work Environment	08/28/2023
21-0856	W - Whistleblower	Whistleblower Reprisal	08/28/2023
21-0875	I - Investigative Case	Abuse of Official Position or Authority	03/06/2024
21-0875	I - Investigative Case	Whistleblower Reprisal	03/06/2024
21-0939	I - Investigative Case	Conflict of Interest	09/13/2023
21-1022	I - Investigative Case	Grant Matters	05/02/2023
21-1098	I - Investigative Case	False Claim	09/27/2024
21-1160	I - Investigative Case	Abuse of Official Position or Authority	02/28/2023
21-1235	I - Investigative Case	False Claim	01/20/2023
21-1235	I - Investigative Case	False Statement	01/20/2023
21-1235	I - Investigative Case	Wire/Mail Fraud	01/20/2023
21-1245	I - Investigative Case	False Statement	08/09/2023
21-1245	I - Investigative Case	False Claim	08/09/2023
21-1245	I - Investigative Case	Program Fraud	08/09/2023
21-1246	I - Investigative Case	Other DOC Related Allegation	09/18/2023
21-1287	W - Whistleblower	Whistleblower Reprisal	08/16/2023
21-1287	P - Preliminary Investigation	Contract Matters	08/16/2023
21-1410	I - Investigative Case	Conflict of Interest	07/08/2024
21-1410	I - Investigative Case	Conflict of Interest	07/08/2024
21-1410	I - Investigative Case	Abuse of Official Position or Authority	07/08/2024
21-1410	I - Investigative Case	Conflict of Interest	07/08/2024
21-1410	I - Investigative Case	Abuse of Official Position or Authority	07/08/2024
21-1413	I - Investigative Case	Contract Matters	08/27/2024
21-1438	I - Investigative Case	Theft	10/28/2024
21-1458	I - Investigative Case	Trade	12/12/2023
21-1468	I - Investigative Case	Scientific Integrity	08/01/2024
21-1468	I - Investigative Case	False Statement	08/01/2024
21-1483	I - Investigative Case	Grant Matters	10/06/2023
21-1550	I - Investigative Case	Contract Matters	07/18/2023
21-1552	I - Investigative Case	Cyber-Crime	06/06/2023
22-0033	I - Investigative Case	False Claim	03/06/2024
22-0040	I - Investigative Case	False Statement	04/01/2024
22-0040	I - Investigative Case	Program Fraud	04/01/2024
22-0185	I - Investigative Case	False Statement	03/21/2023
22-0185	I - Investigative Case	Program Fraud	03/21/2023
22-0252	I - Investigative Case	Program Fraud	07/18/2023
22-0271	W - Whistleblower	Whistleblower Reprisal	05/23/2023
22-0271	W - Whistleblower	Management Matters	05/23/2023
22-0295	W - Whistleblower	Whistleblower Reprisal	03/11/2024
22-0308	I - Investigative Case	False Claim	09/26/2023
22-0371	I - Investigative Case	Contract Matters	07/16/2024
22-0371	I - Investigative Case	Other DOC Related Allegation	07/16/2024
22-0444	I - Investigative Case	Conflict of Interest	08/23/2023
22-0484	P - Preliminary Investigation	Abuse of Official Position or Authority	03/22/2023
22-0486	I - Investigative Case	Grant Matters	08/09/2023
22-0514	W - Whistleblower	Whistleblower Reprisal	02/28/2023
22-0525	I - Investigative Case	Contract Matters	11/29/2023

22-0537	P - Preliminary Investigation	Conflict of Interest	02/28/2023
22-0579	I - Investigative Case	Grant Matters	11/19/2024
22-0622	I - Investigative Case	Antitrust	07/08/2024
22-0657	P - Preliminary Investigation	Other DOC Related Allegation	03/27/2023
22-0659	I - Investigative Case	Contract Matters	04/08/2024
22-0660	I - Investigative Case	Contract Matters	09/18/2023
22-0677	I - Investigative Case	Antitrust	08/23/2023
22-0678	I - Investigative Case	Contract Matters	06/07/2024
22-0696	P - Preliminary Investigation	Contract Matters	03/22/2023
23-0080	P - Preliminary Investigation	Grant Matters	02/28/2023
23-0092	P - Preliminary Investigation	Grant Matters	02/06/2023
23-0099	I - Investigative Case	False Statement	09/27/2024
23-0099	I - Investigative Case	Theft	09/27/2024
23-0139	P - Preliminary Investigation	False Claim	02/28/2023
23-0156	I - Investigative Case	Theft	05/30/2023
23-0156	I - Investigative Case	False Statement	05/30/2023
23-0175	W - Whistleblower	Whistleblower Reprisal	11/29/2023
23-0176	W - Whistleblower	Whistleblower Reprisal	04/08/2024
23-0290	I - Investigative Case	Wire/Mail Fraud	10/31/2023
23-0290	I - Investigative Case	Other DOC Related Allegation	10/31/2023
23-0297	I - Investigative Case	Hindering or Obstruction	03/11/2024
23-0317	P - Preliminary Investigation	Contract Matters	08/09/2023
23-0399	I - Investigative Case	False Claim	04/23/2024
23-0410	P - Preliminary Investigation	Contract Matters	09/13/2023
23-0416	I - Investigative Case	Contract Matters	03/19/2024
23-0469	I - Investigative Case	Contract Matters	03/11/2024
23-0531	I - Investigative Case	Other DOC Related Allegation	01/02/2024
23-0700	P - Preliminary Investigation	Grant Matters	09/26/2023
23-0744	W - Whistleblower	Whistleblower Reprisal	10/28/2024
23-0768	I - Investigative Case	Contract Matters	12/03/2024
23-0775	P - Preliminary Investigation	Contract Matters	10/31/2023
23-0776	P - Preliminary Investigation	Contract Matters	10/31/2023
23-0864	I - Investigative Case	False Statement	08/01/2024
23-0871	I - Investigative Case	Grant Matters	08/27/2024
23-0874	P - Preliminary Investigation	False Statement	03/13/2024
23-0895	P - Preliminary Investigation	Contract Matters	01/02/2024
24-0096	P - Preliminary Investigation	Theft	12/07/2023
24-0176	P - Preliminary Investigation	False Statement	05/01/2024
24-0202	P - Preliminary Investigation	Contract Matters	06/03/2024
24-0214	P - Preliminary Investigation	Security Matters	03/19/2024
24-0252	P - Preliminary Investigation	Grant Matters	06/12/2024
24-0315	P - Preliminary Investigation	Conflict of Interest	07/16/2024
24-0370	P - Preliminary Investigation	Grant Matters	04/25/2024
24-0376	P - Preliminary Investigation	Grant Matters	08/01/2024
24-0404	P - Preliminary Investigation	Conflict of Interest	10/01/2024
24-0567	P - Preliminary Investigation	Contract Matters	10/02/2024
24-0680	P - Preliminary Investigation	Grant Matters	07/16/2024
24-0729	P - Preliminary Investigation	Grant Matters	11/19/2024