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## **Government Contractor Settles Civil False Claims Act Allegations**

ALEXANDRIA, Va. – ManTech Advanced Systems International, Inc., a federal government contractor located in Herndon, has agreed to pay \$750,000 to settle civil fraud allegations that ManTech falsely represented that its principal manager of a contract for security services at U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) had a Top Secret clearance.

ManTech was awarded a subcontract on an EPA contract that required that certain tasks be performed only by individuals with a Top Secret clearance. ManTech represented that the principal project manager for the contract, and one of the individuals who would be performing those tasks, had the required Top Secret clearance. The United States alleged that when the project manager's clearance was revoked, ManTech failed to inform EPA of the loss of the manager's clearance. In a proposal to extend ManTech's contract with EPA, ManTech allegedly again represented that the same project manager had a Top Secret clearance. The settlement resolves allegations that from the time the project manager's clearance had been revoked until the time the project manager was removed from the project, ManTech billed EPA \$325,701 for his services.

The resolutions obtained in this matter were the result of a coordinated effort between the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Virginia and EPA's Office of Inspector General (OIG). The matter was investigated by EPA OIG Special Agents, Assistant U.S. Attorney Krista Anderson and Special Assistant U.S. Attorney Ron Fiorillo. The civil claims settled by this False Claims Act agreement are allegations only; there has been no determination of civil liability.

A copy of this press release may be found on the website of the <u>U.S. Attorney's Office for the Eastern District of Virginia</u>.

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