

Summary: Unfounded Allegations of Procurement and Ethics Violations by Former BLM Employee

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The OIG investigated allegations that a former Bureau of Land Management (BLM) employee provided confidential procurement information to a prospective contractor to give it an unfair advantage on a contract bid. The complainant alleged the former employee provided the information while still employed by BLM and, after retiring, went to work for the contractor. We also investigated allegations the former employee influenced a change to the GSA schedule type to allow the contractor to be eligible to bid on the contract.

Our investigation found no evidence that the former employee had access to or provided any confidential procurement information, and we confirmed the former employee never worked for the contractor in question. We also found no evidence the former employee was involved in the decision to change the GSA schedule type or had any other influence on the contract award.

This is a summary of a report we provided to the Deputy Director of BLM.

