# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

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WASHINGTON, DC 20004

AUG 16 2017

**MEMORANDUM**

**SUBJECT:** Summary of Pending and Recent Threat Investigations

**FROM:** Patrick F. Sullivan
Assistant Inspector General for Investigations
Office of Inspector General
Environmental Protection Agency

**TO:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Acting Special Agent in Charge
Protective Services Detail
Environmental Protection Agency

Per your request, I have attached for you a summary of pending and recent threat investigations being conducted by the OIG Office of Investigations (OI).

I have formatted the attached document as follows:

- Summary and Threat Statistics
- Threats Directed Against Administrator Scott Pruitt and/or his Family
- Threats directed Against Former Administrator Gina McCarthy
- Threats Directed Against Other EPA Employees

The attached document is Law Enforcement Sensitive and should not be further disseminated without the concurrence of the OIG. I understand that you will be providing this information to (b) (7)(E) [redacted]

Please contact me if you have any questions. I can be reached at my desk (202) 566-0308, my cell phone (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) or via email sullivan.patrick@epa.gov.

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# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
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### THREAT INVESTIGATIONS

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**Summary and Threat Statistics**

The EPA OIG statutory authority under the Inspector General Act of 1978 authorizes EPA OIG special agents full law enforcement authority to (1) carry firearms, (2) serve subpoenas, (3) make arrests, (4) execute search and seizure warrants (5), administer and take oaths, (6), unrestricted access to all EPA records, information, facilities, and personnel per U.S. law and EPA regulations.

The EPA OIG investigates allegations of fraud against EPA, employee misconduct, intrusion into EPA computers and systems, the impersonating of EPA officials, counterfeiting or misuse of EPA official insignia, theft of EPA property or funds and threats against EPA employees, contractors, facilities or assets. EPA OIG is also responsible for investigating assaults on EPA employees and other acts of violence committed in EPA facilities.

*Current EPA OIG Statistics for Fiscal Year 2017:*

FY 17 Total Threat Investigations Opened: 49
FY 17 Total Current Open Cases & Complaints: 28
FY 17 Actions: 7 Bar Notices Issued/ 1 BOLO Issued
FY 17 Employee Admin Action – 1
FY 17 Protection Orders – 0
FY 17 Search Warrants – 2
FY 17 Arrests – 2
FY 17 Unusual Direction of Interest Correspondence directed to Administrator Pruitt - 13

**Threats Directed Against EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt and Family**

1. COMP-2017-75: This investigation was predicated upon an investigative referral which stated that the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) of the EPA Administrator was receiving threats on (b)(6),(b Facebook account. The threats were directed toward (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) The threat stated "I hope your (b) (6), (b) (7)( dies soon, suffering as your (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) watches in horror for hours on end." This investigation is ongoing.

2. OI-HQ-2016-CAC-0032: (b) (7)(A) [redacted]

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(b) (7)(A) [redacted]

3. OI-DA-2017-CAC-0096: OIG agents discovered a threatening Twitter post directed towards Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt. Investigators interviewed the subject, who admitted to posting the tweets in question. This investigation was presented to the United States Attorney's Office and subsequently declined for prosecution. This case was worked jointly with FBI and U.S. Capitol Police (USCP).

4. OI-DA-2017-CAC-0102: The EPA OIG was notified that an email had been received in the Capitol Hill office of Oklahoma Senator, James Lankford threatening to assassinate EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt, President Donald Trump and Vice President Mike Pence. The subject was interviewed and stated (b) (6) intended no harm. This investigation was presented to the United States Attorney's Office and subsequently declined for prosecution. The EPA, Security Management Division issued a Bar Notice for the subject. This case was worked jointly with U.S. Secret Service (USSS) and USCP.

5. OI-CH-2017-CAC-0101: The EPA OIG received notification of a potential threat on social media against the EPA Administrator. The subject stated (b) (6) is not happy with some of the Administrator's policies and wanted to express (b) (6), displeasure. This investigation was presented and declined by the United States Attorney's Office.

6. COMP-2017-47: The EPA OIG received a letter addressed to the EPA Administrator. Special agents conducted a review of the contents of the letter. The letter did not reveal any overt threatening language. An open source search of the subject revealed that the subject is currently incarcerated. This a copy of the letter was forwarded back to prison officials.

7. OI-HQ-2017-CAC-0095: (b) (7)(A) [redacted]

8. OI-BO-2017-CAC-0093: (b) (7)(A) [redacted]

9. OI-HQ-2017-CAC-0078: (b) (7)(A) [redacted]

10. OI-CH-2017-CAC-0077: The subject of the investigation sent a potentially threatening postcard to the EPA Administrator. EPA OIG interviewed the subject who expressed regret and apologized for sending the postcard. During the interview which took place at the subject's residence, (b) (6) was wearing two handguns on (b) (6), (b) waist. This investigation was presented to the United States Attorney's Office and subsequently declined for prosecution.

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11. OI-BO-2017-CAC-0076: The EPA Administrator received a potentially threatening postcard which states; "Get out while you still can, Scott, you are evil incarnate you ignorant fuck." The investigation was unable to determine a subject and the case was not presented to the United States Attorney's Office for prosecution.

12. OI-SE-2017-CAC-0073: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(A) [redacted]

13. OI-HQ-2017-CAC-0069: (b) (7)(A) [redacted]

14. OI-NE-2017-CAC-0029: A letter was received by the EPA OIG and reviewed by Special Agents. It was determined that while the letter was full of disjointed thoughts, the letter was not considered by the EPA OIG to contain an actual threat. The investigation was closed.

**Threats Directed Against Former EPA Administrator Gina McCarthy**

1. OI-HQ-2017-CAC-0043: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(A) [redacted]

2. OI-DA-2017-CAC-0021: The EPA Administrator received a potentially threatening email which stated in the subject line: "Ban glyphosate or die you haggard nazi bitch! DIEDIEDIEDIEDIEDIEDIE." Investigations further revealed the subject had sent threatening emails to then Presidential candidate Hillary Clinton. Investigators interviewed the subject who admitted to sending the threatening emails, but stated that (b) (6) would not hurt anyone because (b) (6) does not leave (b) (6) house. During the interview, the subject had an SK-47 assault rifle standing in the corner of the room. Investigators coordinated with other law enforcement officials regarding the past and current mental instabilities displayed by the subject. This investigation was presented to the United States Attorney's Office for prosecution and subsequently declined. This case was worked jointly with the USSS.



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## Threats Directed Against EPA Employees or Facilities

1. OI-CH-2017-THT-0137: The subject in this investigation discussed committing suicide with another employee while at an EPA facility. The subject was barred from the facility until further notice. The investigation is ongoing.

2. COMP-2017-51: A security officer assigned to monitor EPA facilities was terminated following an online threat to a coworker. The employee was subsequently barred from all EPA facilities by the EPA Security Management Division.

3. OI-HQ-2017-THT-0140: (b) (7)(A) [redacted]

4. OI-DE-2017-CAC-0118: (b) (7)(A) [redacted]

5. OI-AT-2017-CAC-0109: A former EPA contractor threatened to cause "bodily harm" to (b) (6) [redacted] former supervisor. The evidence gathered was inconclusive and was not presented for prosecution. A bar notice was issued by the EPA, Security Management Division.

6. OI-HQ-2017-ADM-0071: (b) (7)(A) [redacted]

7. OI-DE-2017-CAC-0063: The EPA OIG was notified of a suspicious package later identified as an ammunition canister found approximately 20 feet from the handicap entrance of an EPA regional office. A review of the surveillance video and subsequent interviews provided no leads to identify a suspect. The United States Attorney's Office declined prosecution of this investigation. This case was worked jointly with Federal Protective Service (FPS).

8. OI-DE-2017-CAC-0065: The EPA OIG initiated an investigation due to an altercation in which the subject may have verbally threatened EPA personnel. The allegation in this investigation is not supported and the United States Attorney's Office declined prosecution.

9. OI-AT-2017-CAC-0064: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(A) [redacted]



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10. OI-HQ-2017-CAC-0059: Following a sentencing for an environmental crime investigation conducted by the Criminal Investigations Division (CID), the subject of this investigation entered an elevator with an EPA employee (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted] and stated; "I hope to see you again real soon." An interview of the subject revealed that [redacted] did not mean for [redacted] comment to be taken as threatening. The United States Attorney's Office declined prosecution of this matter. This case was worked jointly with the FBI.

11. OI-SE-2017-CAC-0058: (b) (7)(A) [redacted]

12. OI-DE-2017-CAC-0055: An EPA employee received a potentially threatening social media message by a former EPA employee. The former employee was interviewed, admitted to the social media posting and subsequently apologized for the posting. A bar notice was issued by Security Management Division denying the subject access to the EPA regional facility. The United States Attorney's Office declined prosecution of the investigation.

13. OI-SE-2017-CAC-0038: This investigation was initiated in regards to violence in the workplace. A family member potentially made threatening remarks against an EPA employee. The subject stated that [redacted] was prepared to come to the EPA facility and claimed that [redacted] was also prepared to get arrested. A bar notice was issued by the EPA Security Management Division for the subject. This investigation was presented to the United States Attorney's Office and subsequently declined.

14. OI-HQ-2017-CAC-0020: The EPA OIG received notice of termination for an EPA employee. As the employee was escorted to [redacted] office to remove personal items, [redacted] made a potentially threatening gesture and comment toward [redacted] supervisor. The investigation supported the allegation and this investigation was presented to the United States Attorney's Office for prosecution and subsequently declined. The subject was removed from Federal service.

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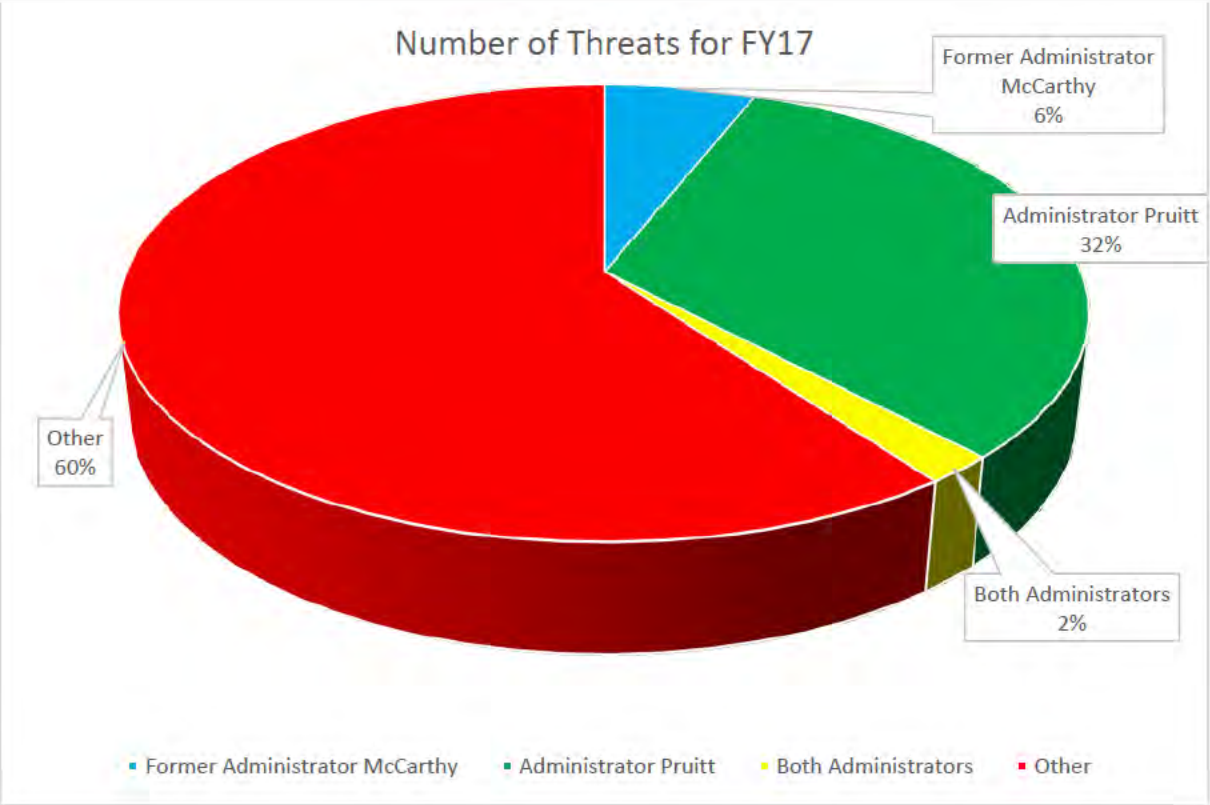
**FY17 Total number of Threats (so far): 50**

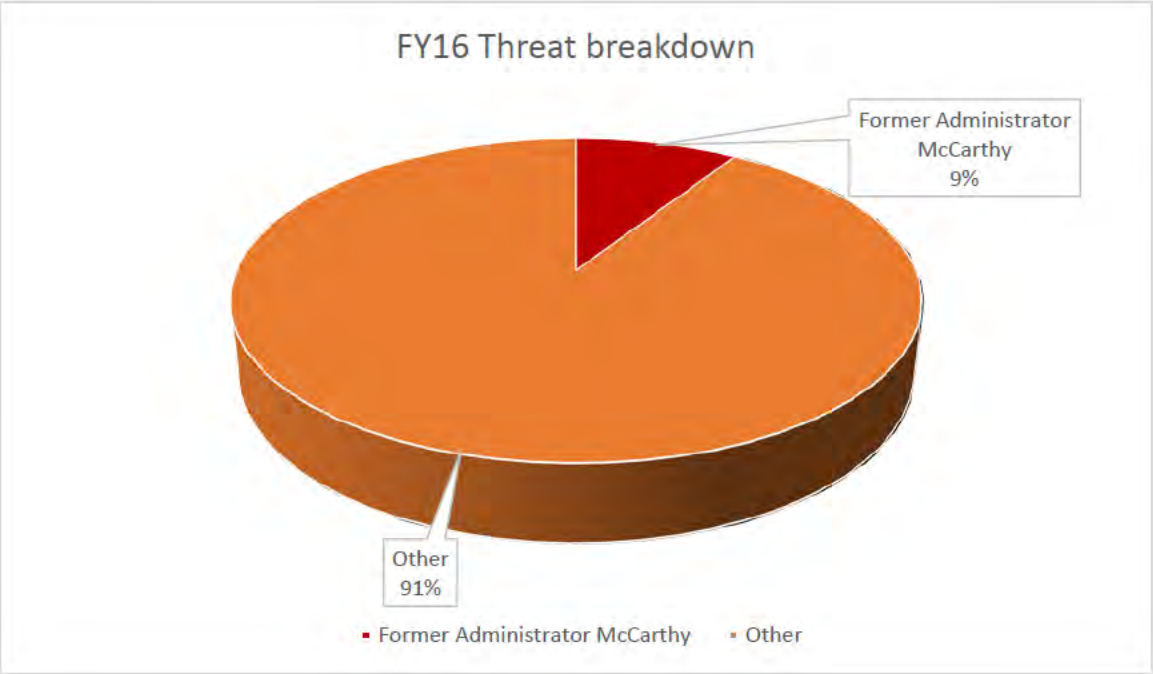
| Entity | Number of Threats |
|---|---|
| Administrator Pruitt | 16 |
| Former Administrator McCarthy | 3 |
| Both Administrators | 1 |
| Other | 30 |



**<u>Total Threats for FY16</u>: 44**

**Former Administrator McCarthy – 4**

**Other - 40**



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**DATE:** MAY 9, 2017 **PREPARED BY:** SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**COMPLAINT #:** COMP-2017-43 **CROSS REFERENCE #:** 2017-0256

**TITLE:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) – MAILING TO EPA ADMINISTRATOR

## COMPLAINT SUMMARY REPORT

| Subject(s) | Location | Other Data |
|---|---|---|
| (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | WASHINGTON, DC | N/A |

**COMPLAINT:** On February 24, 2017, Patrick Sullivan, Assistant Inspector General for Investigations (AIGI), Office of Investigations (OI), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) received a package from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) the EPA Administrator (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) . At the direction of AIGI Sullivan, the matter was opened as a complaint.

**SUMMARY:** The contents of the package were reviewed on February 27, 2017. The package contained a three ring binder with various documents. The documents inside of the binder were examined and it was determined that no threatening language was incorporated in any of the various documents. The binder was provided to the EPA Administrator's staff for further review.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Based upon the foregoing, no evidence of further mailings and lack of an overt threat, it is recommended that this complaint be closed. If new or additional information is received, the EPA OIG will reassess this matter.

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**DATE:** JULY 12, 2017

**PREPARED BY:** SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**COMPLAINT #:** COMP-2017-47

**CROSS REFERENCE #:** 2017-0222

**TITLE:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (NON-FEDERAL EMPLOYEE, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, SALINAS VALLEY INMATE

## COMPLAINT SUMMARY REPORT

| Subject(s) | Location | Other Data |
|---|---|---|
| (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | SALINAS, CA | N/A |

**COMPLAINT:**

On March 6, 2017, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Office of Homeland Security (OHS), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) sent an email to Patrick Sullivan, Assistant Inspector General for Investigations (AIGI), Office of Investigations (OI), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regarding two letters addressed to the EPA Administrator.

**SUMMARY:**

On March 7, 2017, SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) conducted a review of all the contents in both envelopes. The reporting agent did not observe any overt threatening language against the EPA Administrator, EPA Facilities or EPA personnel.

In addition, On March 7, 2017, SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) conducted an open source internet search on the State of California Inmate locator website. The search revealed that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) is currently incarcerated at Salinas Valley Prison since (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) 2011 and was convicted for Offense Code 288.7(b), Oral Copulation/Sexual Penetration with a Victim Under 10 Years.

On April 17, 2017, SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) provided a copy of the letter to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Investigative Service Unit, Salinas Valley State Prison for any action they deem appropriate. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) informed SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) that the inmate is currently residing (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) unit and that (b) (6) would review the letter and take appropriate action.

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**RECOMMENDATION:** Based upon the aforementioned and the lack of an overt threat in this investigation, this matter is recommended for closure. If new or additional information is received, the EPA, OIG will reassess this matter.



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**DATE:** MARCH 13, 2017

**PREPARED BY:** SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**COMPLAINT #:** COMP-2017-48

**CROSS REFERENCE #:** 2017-0222

**TITLE:** UNIDENTIFIED PERSON SENT A LETTER TO THE ENVIORNMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY (EPA) ADMINISTRATORS OFFICE

## COMPLAINT SUMMARY REPORT

| Subject(s) | Location | Other Data |
|---|---|---|
| Unknown | Orlando, Florida | N/A |

**COMPLAINT:**

On March 6, 2017, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Office of Homeland Security (OHS), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) sent an email to Patrick Sullivan, Assistant Inspector General for Investigations (AIGI), Office of Investigations (OI), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) regarding two letters addressed to the EPA Administrator.

**SUMMARY:**

On March 7, 2017, SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) conducted a review of all the contents in both envelopes. The reporting agent did not observe any overt threatening language against the EPA Administrator, EPA Facilities or EPA personnel.

SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) conducted a review of all the contents in both envelopes and did not see any threatening communication. Below is an analysis of the contents envelope #1. A separate analysis of the contents in envelope #2 was conducted under complaint COMP-017-47.

**Envelope #1 from Unidentified Sender:**

- The envelope was addressed to the EPA at 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, NW 1101-A, Washington, D.C. 20460. *[Agent Note: The envelope address line contained various letters or words which were incomprehensive following the addressee EPA. In addition, the envelope encompassed mail code 1101-A which is designated to the Office of the Administrator at the EPA and includes many EPA employees within that office. A review of the EPA Workplace: National Locator could not identify a specific EPA employee for*

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*which the envelope may be addressed.]* In addition, the envelope was not specifically addressed to the EPA Administrator or any other EPA personnel.

- The envelope was post-marked on February 21, 2017 from Orlando, Florida. No return address was included on the envelope.
- A review of the contents of the letter was conducted on March 7, 2017. While the communication contained offensive racial verbiage, the communication contained no overt threat to EPA facilities or personnel.
- The sender of the communication was not found within the contents of the letter and is unidentified at this time.

**RECOMMENDATION:** Based upon the aforementioned and the lack of an overt threat in this investigation, this matter is recommended for closure. If new or additional information is received, the EPA, OIG will reassess this matter.

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**DATE:** September 14, 2017 **PREPARED BY:** SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**COMPLAINT #:** COMP-2017-75 **CROSS REFERENCE #:** 2017-0291

**TITLE:** UNIDENTIFIED PERSON SENDS CONCERNING COMMUNICATION TO (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (EPA ADMINISTRATOR FAMILY MBR)

## COMPLAINT SUMMARY REPORT

| Subject(s) | Location | Other Data |
|---|---|---|
| Facebook User (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Unknown | Communication via Facebook Messenger |

**COMPLAINT:**

On June 6, 2017, Special Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR), Office of Investigations (OI), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) learned from Patrick Sullivan, Assistant Inspector General for Investigations (AIGI), Office of Investigations (OI), Office of Inspector General, EPA, that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Protective Service Detail (PSD), Office of Criminal Enforcement, Forensic and Training (OCEFT), EPA, submitted an investigative referral regarding (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Administrator Scott Pruitt's (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) receiving Facebook threats which were directed at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**SUMMARY:**

Prior to OI's involvement, there were emails exchanged between ASAC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Global Security Investigations, Facebook, regarding (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) complaint. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) to have (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) report the incident online to Facebook.

**OI INVOLVEMENT:**

On June 6, 2017, OI Agents conducted a phone interview with (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) informed OIG agents that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) did not normally check (b) (6), (b) messages often, but received a message alert in April 2017. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) informed investigators that (b) (6), (b) did not open the aforementioned messages until June 5, 2017. After opening and reviewing the content of the messages, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) reported the concerning communication to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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OI Agents learn that a Facebook messenger using the name of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) sent concerning communications via Facebook messenger to (b)(6), (b) (7)(C) on March 9, 2017, May 12, 2017 and May 21, 2017. The most concerning of these messages dated May 21, 2017, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) sent ***"I hope your (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) dies soon, suffering as your (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) watches in horror for hours on end"***, to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) suspected that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) deleted (b) (6), (b) Facebook account because (b) (6), (b) (7) could not find the message to report the incident to Facebook security.

***[Investigators Note: (1) The phone connection was disconnected and efforts to conclude the interview were unsuccessful on June 6 and June 7th, 2017].***

After the phone interview on June 6, 2017 was disconnected (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) contacted the reporting agent and advised that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) to finish the interview with OI special agents.

On June 7, 2017, the reporting agent contacted (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) via email asking (b) (6), (b) (7) if (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) was still planning to meet with OI today to conclude the interview. The reporting agent also attempted to contact (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) via (b)(6),(b)(7) cell phone.

***[Investigators Note: (1). No* response from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) *(2).* (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) *with the Administrator. 7JUN2017]***

On June 8, 2017, the reporting agent left a voicemail on (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) cell phone.

***[Investigators Note: (1). No return call from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (2) To date, multiple attempts have been made to make contact with (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) for additional details concerning the Facebook communications, with no success.]***

(b) (7)(E)

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Based upon the foregoing, there are no further investigative steps to be taken and this case has been recommended for closure.



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**DATE: February 28, 2017** **PREPARED BY: SA** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**CASE #: COMP-2017-124** **CROSS REFERENCE #: Hotline 2017-124**

**TITLE: ALLEGED THREATS TO THE STATE OF VIRGINIA BY AN UNIDENTIFIED CALLER**

## COMPLAINT SUMMARY REPORT

| Subject(s) | Location | Other Data |
|---|---|---|
| Unknown | Unknown | Hotline Complaint #2017-124 |

**COMPLAINT:** On February 13, 2017, Special Agent (SA) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Office of Investigations (OI), Washington Field Office, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, NW, Washington, DC 20460, was asked to investigate revised Hotline Complaint #2017-124; regarding - ***"A potential threat to the EPA in future activity in the State of Virginia".*** An unidentified caller from a blocked number called the Region 3 Customer Service Hotline in Philadelphia and left the following message; ***"Pruitt is going to clean up the EPA. Stay out of our [s]tate Virginia"***; nothing further.

**BACKGROUND:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
Program, Region 3 - Customer Service Hotline, Philadelphia, PA., received a call from an unidentified caller who made the following alleged threat, ***"Pruitt is going to clean up the EPA. Stay out of our [s]tate Virginia"***.

According to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) the call was received on the Region 3 Hotline # (800) 438-2474, and this number is also published on the EPA's website. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) advised that the caller did not identify him/herself. According to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) the number did not display, but rather showed as "Blocked". (b) (6), (b) (7) did not write down the time of the call. Due to the potential nature of the call (b) (6), (b) notified (b) (6), (b) (7) chain of command.

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) explained it is not uncommon to receive calls from a blocked number and that receiving calls from blocked numbers happens as little as five times a week; Monday through Friday. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) shared the notes (b) (6), (b) took that day with the Case Agent, and (b) (6), (b) (7) referred to the notes as the February 3, 2017, phone log.

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The Case Agent reached out to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Facilities Management and Services Branch, Region 3, Philadelphia, PA 19103, and requested a print out of the call records from February 3, 2017, at (800) 438-2474, which is the Region 3 Customer Service Hotline number.

**INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS:**

1. The investigative activity concluded that an unidentified person, called an EPA publicly advertised Hotline number, from a blocked number and made a demand, but not a clear threat.

2. On February 14, 2017, the Case Agent reviewed (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) February 3, 2017 phone log. As indicated by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) did not record a time, and there is no number recorded on (b) (6), (b) log.

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

4. According to (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) a third-party company located in Denver, Colorado (MPT) maintains the storage of call records to extension (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) which is synced and displayed as (800) 438-2474. In addition, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) added, ***"Please note that the time stamp is based on Denver, Colorado time zone. Please add (2) hours to each time stamp".***

**RECOMMENDATION:** This office was not able to identify the subject who made the call in question. Additionally, the call did not contain a clear actionable threat. As such, it is believed that continued investigation would not be in the best interests of the government. As such, no further investigative activity is anticipated. This investigation is closed in this office.



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# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

1301 CONSTITUTION AVE, NW
WASHINGTON, DC 20004

**DATE:** February 22, 2018 **PREPARED BY:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**COMPLAINT #:** COMP-2018-34 **CROSS REFERENCE #:** N/A

**TITLE:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Potential Threat Made Toward EPA Administrator

## COMPLAINT SUMMARY REPORT

| Subject(s) | Location | Other Data |
|---|---|---|
| (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) AR | N/A |

**COMPLAINT:**

This investigation was initiated on January 9, 2018, based on a United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Inspector General (OIG) Hotline referral, which alleged that subject (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) made a potential threat by writing a threatening letter on the back of United States Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) paperwork. A review of the letter revealed that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) wrote the letter on November 8, 2017 to "EPA-DC." Furthermore, a review of the letter revealed, "…just read your denial of global warming recently released by the National Academy of Sciences." Throughout the letter, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) used expletives and "…hope[d] that you & your kind choke to death & die of cancer of the guts, slowly in agony, & rot forever in a toxic sewer in hell forever." (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) further added, "there will be a reckoning, & it has begun; it is now! I'm 85, & I want to hang around to see this monster of evil go up in fire & sink into a cesspool of toxic filth. I want to watch you disgusting whores die! Unfortunately, a lot of life will go too, but that is for you to consider; you are to blame! My advice to you is to get out. Trump will die in his own shit, like Mussolini…"

**BACKGROUND:** N/A

**INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS:**

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

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

[redacted]

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Based on the foregoing investigative findings this complaint is closed with no further action. However, if additional information is discovered or provided, OI will assess such information and take appropriate action.

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

None.

# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

1301 CONSTITUTION AVE, NW
WASHINGTON, DC 20004

**DATE:** March 14, 2018 **PREPARED BY:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**COMPLAINT #:** COMP-2018-36 **CROSS REFERENCE #:** N/A

**TITLE:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Potential Threat Made Toward EPA Administrator

## COMPLAINT SUMMARY REPORT

| Subject(s) | Location | Other Data |
|---|---|---|
| (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Washington, DC | N/A |

**COMPLAINT:**

This investigation was initiated on January 9, 2018, based on a United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Inspector General (OIG) Hotline referral, which alleged that a potential threat was posted on January 3, 2018 on Twitter.com and stated, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**BACKGROUND:** N/A

**INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS:**

The Office of Counsel, OIG, EPA, Washington, DC, reviewed the verbiage in the potential threat and determined (b) (5), Attorney-Client

The Office of Investigations (OI), OIG, EPA, conducted database queries, which revealed nothing of investigative significance.

**RECOMMENDATION:**

Based on the foregoing investigative findings this complaint is closed with no further action. However, if additional information is discovered or provided, OI will assess such information and take appropriate action.

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

None.

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# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

1301 CONSTITUTION AVE, NW
WASHINGTON, DC 20004

**CASE #:** Comp-2018-52 **CROSS REFERENCE #**

**TITLE:** Newsweek Magazine Cover Taped to Inside of Elevator in WJC-S Building

**CASE AGENT (if different from prepared):** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Special Agent

## COMPLAINT CLOSING REPORT

| Subject(s) | Location | Other Data |
|---|---|---|
| Unknown | Washington, DC | N/A |

**COMPLAINT:** On March 7, 2018, at approximately 12:30 PM, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Office of Professional Responsibility (OPR), Office of Investigations (OI), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Environmental Protection Agency and Special Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) OPR, OI, OIG, EPA, were directed to respond by Assistant Inspector General for Investigations Patrick Sullivan, OI, OIG, EPA to the William J Clinton – North building, room (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**SUMMARY:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) responded to WJC-N room (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Special Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Personnel Security Division (PSD), Criminal Investigative Division, Office of Compliance and Assurance, EPA provided SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) a printout of what appears to be the cover of Newsweek magazine which contained Administrator Pruitt. A mustache, which appears to be hand drawn appears on the face of Administrator Pruitt.

**RECOMMENDATION:** A review of the printout by SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) on yielded that the printout did not contain any threatening information. Based upon the following, and the lack of an overt threat, this matter is recommended for closure. If new or additional information is received, the EPA OIG will reassess this matter.

**ATTACHMENT(S):**

- None

**CASE #:** Comp-2018-52 **PREPARED BY:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Special Agent



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# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
5 POST OFFICE SQUARE, SUITE 100
BOSTON, MA 02109

**DATE:** MARCH 24, 2017 **PREPARED BY:** SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**CASE #:** OI-BO-2017-CAC-0076 **CROSS REFERENCE #:** N/A

**TITLE:** UNKNOWN SUBJECT: POTENTIAL THREAT TO EPA ADMINISTRATOR SCOTT PRUITT VIA POSTCARD

## CASE CLOSING REPORT

| Subject(s) | Location | Other Data |
|---|---|---|
| UNKNOWN | UNKNOWN | UNKOWN |

**VIOLATION(S):**

| | |
|---|---|
| Title 18 U.S.C § 876 | Mailing Threatening Communications |
| Title 18 U.S.C § 111 | Assaulting, Resisting, Impeding or Intimidating Certain Officers or Employees |

**ALLEGATION:**

On March 15, 2017, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Office of Investigations (OI), Washington Field Office (WFO), referred OIG hotline complaint number 2017-0160 to the Boston Field Office for investigation. This complaint was referred because of an unsolicited postcard with concerning rhetoric was sent to Administrator Scott Pruitt, EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave, NW, Washington, DC.

**FINDINGS:**

Upon examination of the postcard and rhetoric, statements such as, "Get out while you still can, Scott", "You are evil incarnite" and "you ignorant fuck" were hand written on the message portion of the postcard. Statements as such may not constitute a direct threat but are of concern to the Agency. The postcard is postmarked, "Boston, MA, 21 FEB 2017" and received in the Office of the Administrator on March 1, 2017. Also printed on the message side of the post card was the name of the image on the reverse side to be, "Symphony in Red" by James Abbott McNeill Whistler and the notation for the Museum of Fine Arts, Boston (MFA). It is unclear at this time of any conscience underlying message or significant meaning to the title of the image and

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correlation to it being sent to Administrator Pruitt. There was no sender information or signature recorded on the postcard.

OI inquired with the United States (US) Postal Inspection Service of the (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) and was met with negative results.

OI inquired with the Security Operations, Department of Protective Services, MFA, Boston, MA of the possibility in determining the origin of sale and/or a purchaser of the postcard could be determined. OI was told the postcard is not sold through outside vendors and most likely purchased at the MFA. As for determining when or whom may have purchased the postcard, OI was met with negative results.

OI inquired with the (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) (b) (7)(E) and was met with negative results.

**DISPOSITION:**

Because the postcard lacked a clear threat and the investigation was unable to determine a subject, the facts of this case were not presented to the United States Attorney's Office, District of Massachusetts for prosecutorial consideration.

Pending the discovery of new facts or evidence to support the violation(s) and/or identification of a subject(s) this case will be closed at this time.

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# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200
Dallas, Texas 75202

**DATE:** APRIL 18, 2017 **PREPARED BY:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**CASE #:** OI-CH-2017-CAC-0077 **CROSS REFERENCE #:** H/L 2017-0161

**TITLE:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), CIVILIAN

## CASE CLOSING REPORT

| Subject(s) | Location | Other Data |
|---|---|---|
| (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Massillon, Ohio | |

**COMPLAINT:** On March 15, 2017, Special Agent (SA) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Office of Investigations (OI), Office of Inspector General (OIG), U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Chicago Field Office (CFO), initiated an investigation based upon information that (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Civilian, Massillon, Ohio, sent an obscene postcard to current EPA Administrator, Scott Pruitt.

**BACKGROUND:** The postcard was postmarked February 23, 2017 in Cleveland, Ohio. The postcard was sent to Mr. Pruitt with a return address sticker: (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted] Massillon, Ohio, [redacted]. Database queries verified that [redacted] is the current resident at the address listed on the postcard. Additional law enforcement queries with local, state and federal agencies were returned and showed [redacted] has no prior arrest history or contact with law enforcement agencies.

**INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS:** Investigative activities consisting of an interview with [redacted] failed to provide evidence sufficient for prosecution that [redacted] was threatening Mr. Pruitt. Specifically, [redacted] made no specific threat in the postcard and during the interview apologized and stated [redacted] made sure not threaten anyone. Additionally, [redacted] expressed no interest to travel to see Mr. Pruitt or cause him any physical harm.

**RECOMMENDATION:** The matter was presented to the United States Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Ohio who declined the matter. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E) No further investigative activity remains and therefore, it is recommended that this investigation be closed

**Attachments(s)**: None

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# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS 60604

**Date:** September 14, 2017

**Prepared by:** Special Agent (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**Case #:** OI-CH-2017-CAC-0101

**Cross Reference #:**

**TITLE:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) IN

# CASE CLOSING REPORT

| Subject(s) | Location | Other Data |
|---|---|---|
| (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Chicago, IL | |

**VIOLATION(s):** 18 USC § 115 – Influencing, Impeding, or Retaliating Against a Federal Official by Threatening

**ALLEGATION(s):** On April 13, 2017 Special Agent (SA) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Office of Investigations (OI), Chicago Field Office (CFO) received an email from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) EPA OIG OI San Francisco Field Office, referencing a "tweet" posted on social media regarding EPA Administrator, Scott Pruitt. The message, though not a direct threat, could be interpreted as intimidating and potentially threatening towards Mr. Pruitt.

**FINDINGS:** On April 17, 2017, SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) EPA OIG OI CFO, conducted an interview of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) at (b) (6), (b) residence of (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Upon their arrival and prior to interviewing (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) identified themselves and stated the reason for the interview. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) identified (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) and provided identification. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) agreed to talk to the agents and provided the following information.

SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) showed (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) a picture of the tweet in question and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) admitted to authoring the tweet on twitter. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated (b) (6), is not happy with some of Administrator Pruitt's policies and wanted to express (b) (6), (b) displeasure. So (b) (6), just picked the first unhappy .gif (b) (6), found from (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated (b) (6), is absolutely not violent and does not want anything to happen to Administrator Pruitt. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated (b) (6), owns no guns and (b) (6), does not have any access to guns. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) also stated (b) (6), has no training in weapons or combat of any kind. (b) (6), also has no prior military experience. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) declined to sign the standard OIG medical release of information form.




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**DISPOSITION**: On April 24, 2017, SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) contacted Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) Maria Lerner, Northern District of Indiana and advised her of the facts of the case. AUSA Lerner advised that her office would be declining the case because (b) (5), (b) (7)(E) (b) (5), (b) (7)(E) No further action is expected in this case; therefore, this case is closed.

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# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

77 W. JACKSON BOULEVARD
CHICAGO, IL 60604

**CASE #:** OI-CH-2018-THT-0015 **CROSS REFERENCE #: Hotline #2018-0046**

**TITLE:** UNKNOWN SUBJECT: TELEPHONE THREAT, TROY, MICHIGAN

**PREPARED BY:** SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

## CASE CLOSING REPORT

| Subject(s) | Location | Other Data |
|---|---|---|
| UNKNOWN MALE CALLER | TROY, MI | (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) |

**COMPLAINT:** Possible indirect threats made towards Scott Pruitt, Administrator, United States Environmental Protection Agency, and other employees of the agency.

**BACKGROUND:** On October 31, 2017 Special Agent (SA) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Office of Inspector General (OIG), Office of Investigations (OI), Chicago Field Office (CFO), received EPA OIG Hotline Referral #2018-0046. Specifically, the EPA OIG Hotline referenced a voicemail, which was received through the EPA OIG Hotline on October 9, 2017, from an unknown caller who placed the call using phone number (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) The captioned phone number originates in Troy, MI. The message referenced possible indirect threats made towards the EPA Administrator, Scott Pruitt, and employees of the EPA.

**INVESTIGATIVE FINDINGS:** Investigative activities consisting of records queries from multiple federal agencies failed to identify a subject name associated with the above referenced phone number. Further, there was no evidence of a direct or indirect threat against Mr. Pruitt or the EPA. Due to the (b) (7)(E) [redacted]

**CASE:**
**OI-CH-2017-THT-0015**

**INTERVIEWEE:**

**DATE OF ACTIVITY:**
**12/1/17**

**DRAFTED DATE:**
**12/1/17**

**AGENT:**
**SA** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



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**RECOMMENDATION:** SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) presented this investigation to Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) Matthew Ross, Chief of General Crimes, Eastern District of Michigan. AUSA Ross reviewed the facts of the case and advised his office would be declining to pursue prosecution (b) (5), (b) (7)(E)

No further investigative activities remain, therefore, it is recommended that this investigation be closed.

**CASE:**
**OI-CH-2017-THT-0015**

**INTERVIEWEE:**

**DATE OF ACTIVITY:**
**12/1/17**

**DRAFTED DATE:**
**12/1/17**

**AGENT:**
**SA** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)



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# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

1445 Ross Avenue, Suite 1200
Dallas, TX 75202

**DATE:** June 19, 2017 **PREPARED BY:** RAC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**CASE #:** OI-DA-2017-CAC-0096 **CROSS REFERENCE #:** Hotline #2017-0215

**TITLE:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), TWITTER THREAT TO MURDER ADMINISTRATOR SCOTT PRUITT AND SENATOR MITCH MCCONNELL

## CASE CLOSING REPORT

| Subject(s) | Location | Other Data |
|---|---|---|
| (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Paragould, Arkansas | |

**VIOLATION(S):** 18 U.S.C. § 875 (Interstate Communication) and 18 U.S.C. § 115(a)(2) (Influencing, Impeding, or Retaliating Against a Federal Official by Threatening)

**ALLEGATION:** On April 9, 2017, Special Agent (SA) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Office of Investigations (OI), Office of Inspector General (OIG), United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Washington, D.C., discovered a threatening post on Twitter directed towards Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell and EPA Administrator Scott Pruitt. The tweet was posted by (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Paragould, Arkansas.

**FINDINGS:** On April 10, 2017, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) OI, OIG, EPA, Dallas, Texas, coordinated this investigation with SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI), Littlerock, Arkansas.

On April 11, 2017, RAC (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) coordinated this investigation with (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Joint Terrorism Task Force, FBI, Tulsa, Oklahoma; and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Tulsa Police Department, Tulsa, Oklahoma.

On April 12, 2017, SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) interviewed (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) who admitted to posting the tweets in question regarding Senator McConnell and Administrator Pruitt on April 8, 2017. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated (b) (6), (b) was drinking while watching the Rachel Maddow show and posted the tweets as a flippant comment, not realizing at the time that they could be considered a threat. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) related (b) (6), (b) included Administrator Pruitt in (b) (6), (b) tweets because (b) (6), (b) does not like Administrator Pruitt's record of suing the EPA. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated (b) (6), (b) was very sorry for (b) (6), (b) actions and did not intend to threaten anyone. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) explained (b) (6), (b) had no means to act on the threats.

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**DISPOSITION:** On April 10, 2017, SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) presented this case to Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA) Ali Ahmad, United States Attorney's Office, Eastern District of Arkansas, Little Rock, Arkansas, for criminal prosecution. AUSA Ahmad declined prosecution under the aforementioned statutes (b) (5), (b) (7)(E) (b) (5), (b) (7)(E) This case is closed.

# UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
## OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL
1445 ROSS AVENUE, SUITE 1200
DALLAS, TX 75202

**DATE:** August 7, 2017

**PREPARED BY:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**CASE #:** OI-DA-2017-CAC-0102

**CROSS REFERENCE #:** Hotline #2017-0218

**TITLE:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) NORMAN, OKLAHOMA

## CASE CLOSING REPORT

| Subject(s) | Location | Other Data |
|---|---|---|
| (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) | Norman, Oklahoma | |

**VIOLATION(S):** 18 U.S. Code § 871, Threats against President and Successors to the Presidency.

**ALLEGATION:** On April 18, 2017, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) United States Environmental Protection Agency, Office of Inspector General (OIG) Office of Investigations (OI), Office of Professional Responsibility, DC, was notified by the U.S. Capitol Police (USCP) that an email had been received in the Capitol Hill office of Oklahoma Senator James Lankford. The email stated, in part: we support the assassination and execution of Scott Pruitt who will rape this country and the EPA. We also support the need for the execution and assassination of Trump (the country's greatest rapist), Pence (another Christian terrorist), ... as well as most other terrorist pig republicans.

**FINDINGS:**
On April 18, 2017, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) EPA OIG, OI, coordinated (b) (6), (b) (7)(C), (b) (7)(E)

Also on April 18, 2017, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) interviewed (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) at (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) residence in Norman, Oklahoma. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) admitted to authoring and sending the threatening email in January 2017 shortly after (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) learned Scott Pruitt was appointed as Administrator of the EPA. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated Pruitt is just a pawn for the oil and gas industry. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) does not like

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President Trump or VP Pence. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) said (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) does not want to assassinate, or have anyone else assassinate, President Trump, VP Pence, or Administrator Pruitt. (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) stated (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) does not own weapons and gave consent for the (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) agents to search (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) residence. No weapons were found.

On April 20, 2017, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) coordinated with (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) Security Management Division (SMD), EPA Headquarters, and (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) SMD, EPA Headquarters, regarding the issuance of a Bar Notice for (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

**DISPOSITION:** On April 24, 2017, SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) presented this case to Chris Stephens, Assistant United States Attorney (AUSA), Western District of Oklahoma, for acceptance and prosecution of 18 U.S. Code § 871, Threats against President and Successors to the Presidency.

On May 2, 2017, (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) received a Bar Notice denying (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) access to all EPA facilities (b) (7)(E)

On July 13, 2017, SA (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) informed (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) that AUSA Stephens declined this case for criminal prosecution of 18 U.S. Code § 871, Threats against President and Successors to the Presidency, (b) (5), (b) (7)(E) This case is closed.



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**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
**To:** [redacted]
**Subject:** FY17 Midpoint Stats
**Date:** Thursday, March 30, 2017 8:56:21 AM

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

Now that we have reached the midpoint for fiscal year 17, please see the following:

Midpoint FY17 Investigations or Complaints – 30 FY 16 Total Investigations or Complaints - 44
Midpoint FY17 SMD Actions : 4 Bar Notices/1 Bolo Issuance FY 16 Total SMD Actions: 6 Bar Notices/ 2 Bolo Issuances
Midpoint FY17 Employee Admin Action – 0 FY 16 Total Employee Admin Action – 1 (Employee Suspension)
Midpoint FY17 Protection Orders – 0 FY 16 Total Protection Orders – 1
Midpoint FY17 Search Warrants – 1 FY 16 Total Search Warrants – 0
Midpoint FY17 Arrests – 2 FY 16 Total Arrests – 0

Please let me know if you need anything further.

Respectfully,
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**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
**To:** [redacted]
**Subject:** Threat Tracker Update
**Date:** Thursday, June 15, 2017 9:53:33 AM

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]

Per (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted] request for the 360 today, here is a limited statistical breakdown for the tracker.

Overall Threat Stats (By Approximate)

- Approximately 190 total threat investigations
- OPR has 16 of 30 open threat investigations

Threat Case Breakdown by Year (By Approximate)

- 42 total threat investigations in FY17/ 43 total for FY16
- 30 total open threat investigations
  - ✓ Our highest threat volume was at 35 cases in April
  - ✓ Lowest was 22 at the beginning of the fiscal year.
- Direct threats against the Administrator: 14
  - ✓ FY16: 7
- March 2017 – Highest volume of received threat cases: 12
- October 2016 – Lowest Volume of received threat cases: 3

Threat Actions for FY17 (By Approximate)

- Bar Notices for FY17: 8
- Arrests for FY17: 3 – (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
- Search Warrant: 1 – (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]

Please let me know if you need anything further.

Respectfully,
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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]

**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
**Sent:** Monday, June 19, 2017 4:04 PM
**To:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
**Subject:** Briefing Paper

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]

My apologies, I should have looked at this more carefully. Please see the following in regards to the threat statistics.

- 14 Direct threats against the Administrator: (FY2016 to present) – So far in FY 17, the OIG had approximately 14 investigations opened which involved the Administrator.
- 7 Direct threats against the Administer this year (100% increase) – This was the total threats opened which involved the Administrator in FY 16.
- Approximately 175 total threat investigations from 2014 to present
- 42 total threat investigations in FY 17 thus far
- 43 total threats for all of FY 16.
- At present, there are approximately 30 total open threat investigations

Thanks,

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
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**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
**To:**
**Cc:**
**Subject:** Tracker Numbers
**Date:** Monday, July 10, 2017 2:11:30 PM

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]

Please see the following threat numbers:

- Approximately 18 Direct threats against the current Administrator
- Approximately 7 Direct threats against the former Administrator in FY16
- Approximately 175 total threat investigations from 2014 to present
- 45 total threat investigations in FY 17 thus far
- 43 total threats for all of FY 16.
- At present, there are approximately 30 total open threat investigations

Please let me know if you need any further information.

Respectfully,

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]

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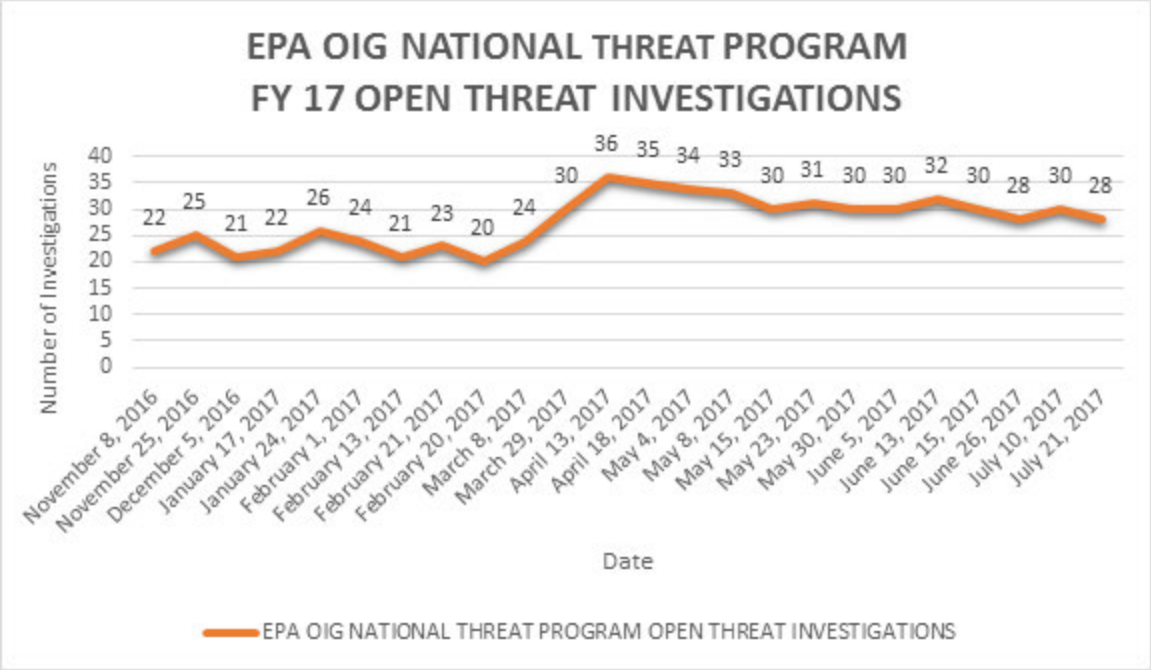


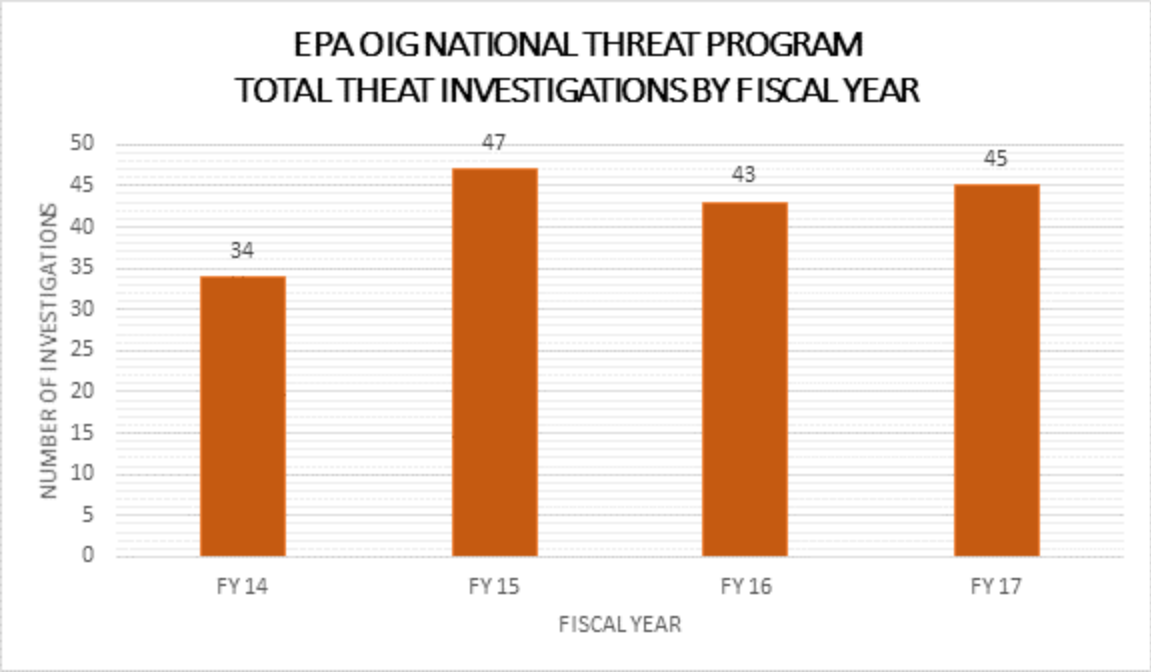

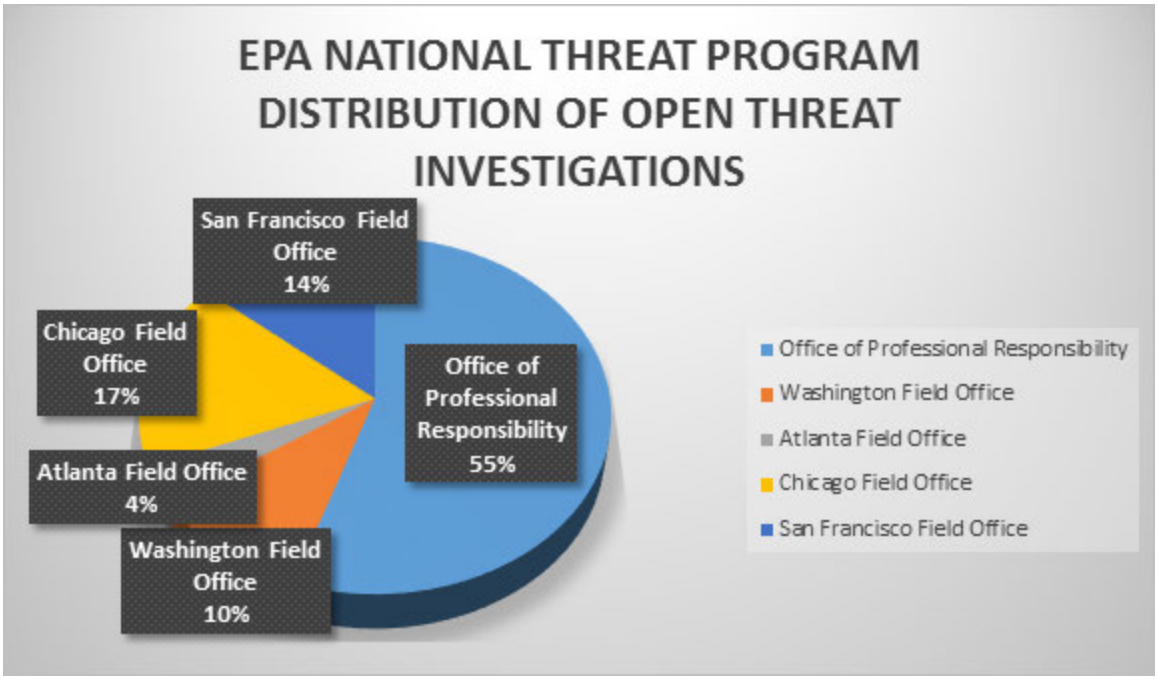
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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]

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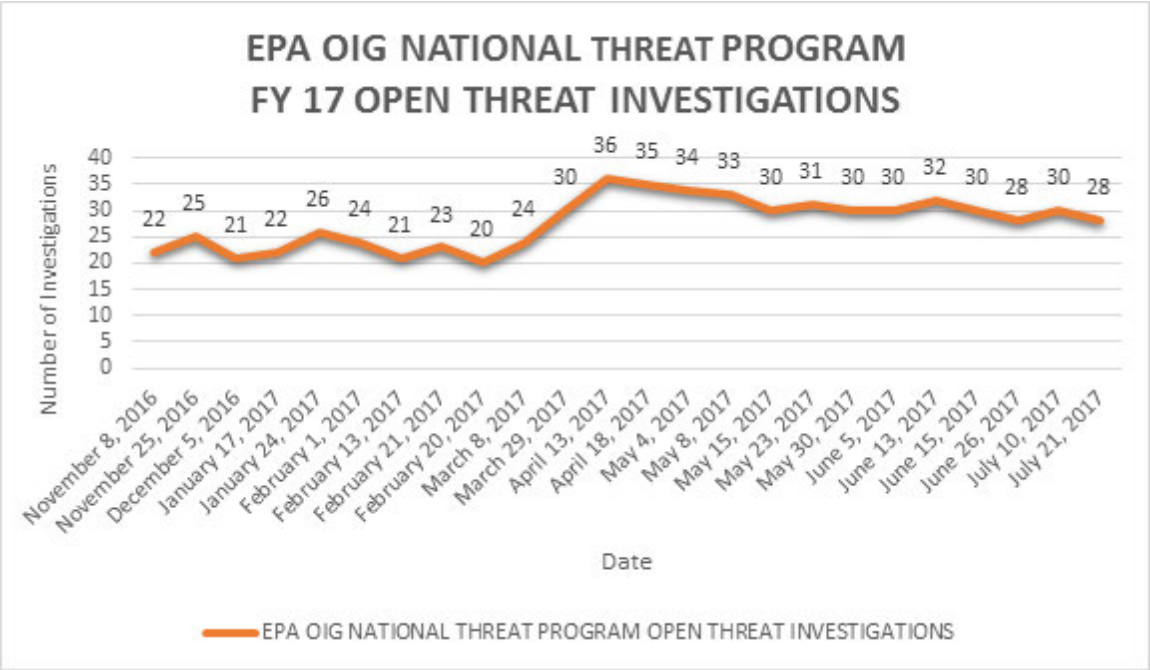


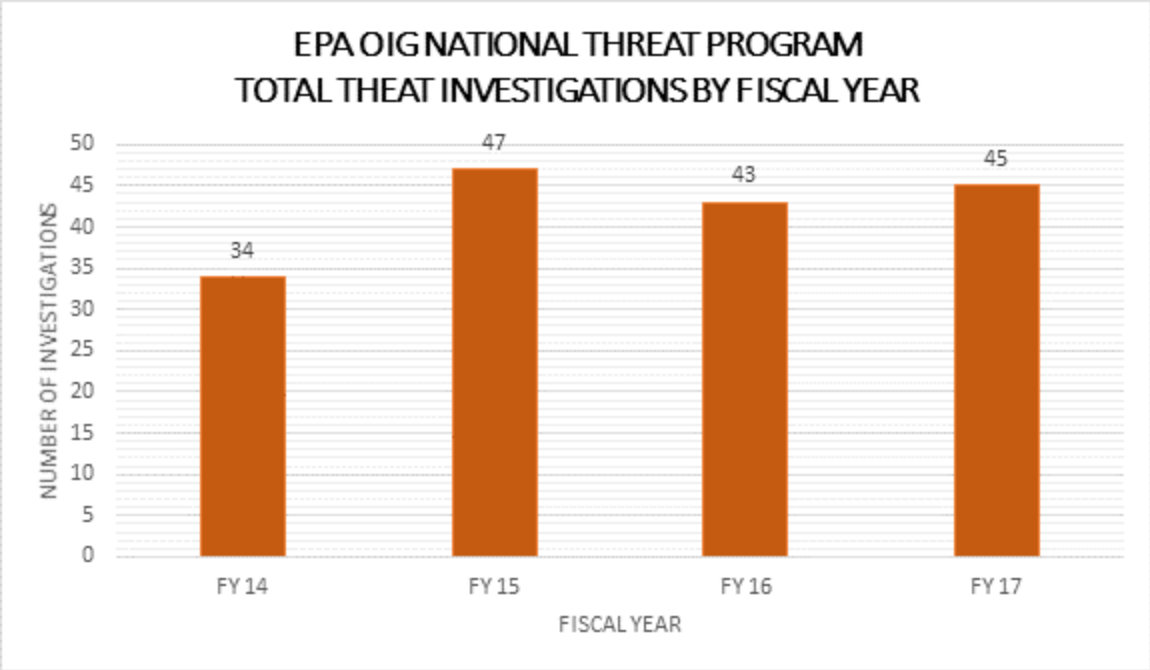

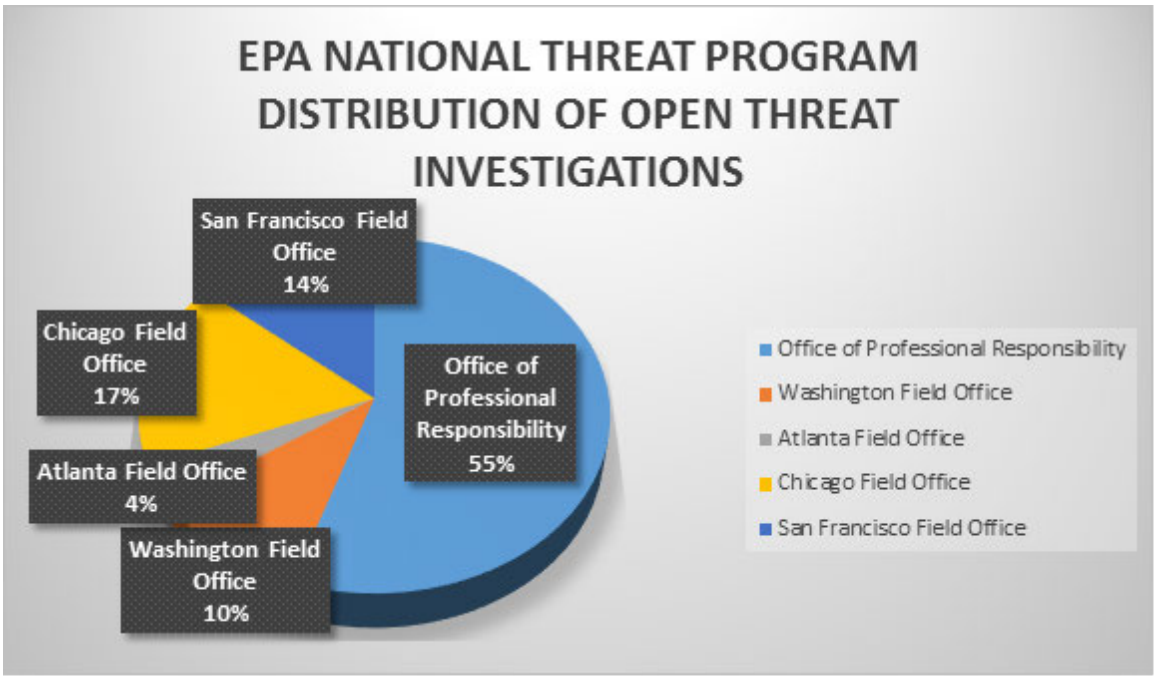
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**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]

Please see the attached.

Respectfully,
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
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Office of Inspector General – Office of Investigations
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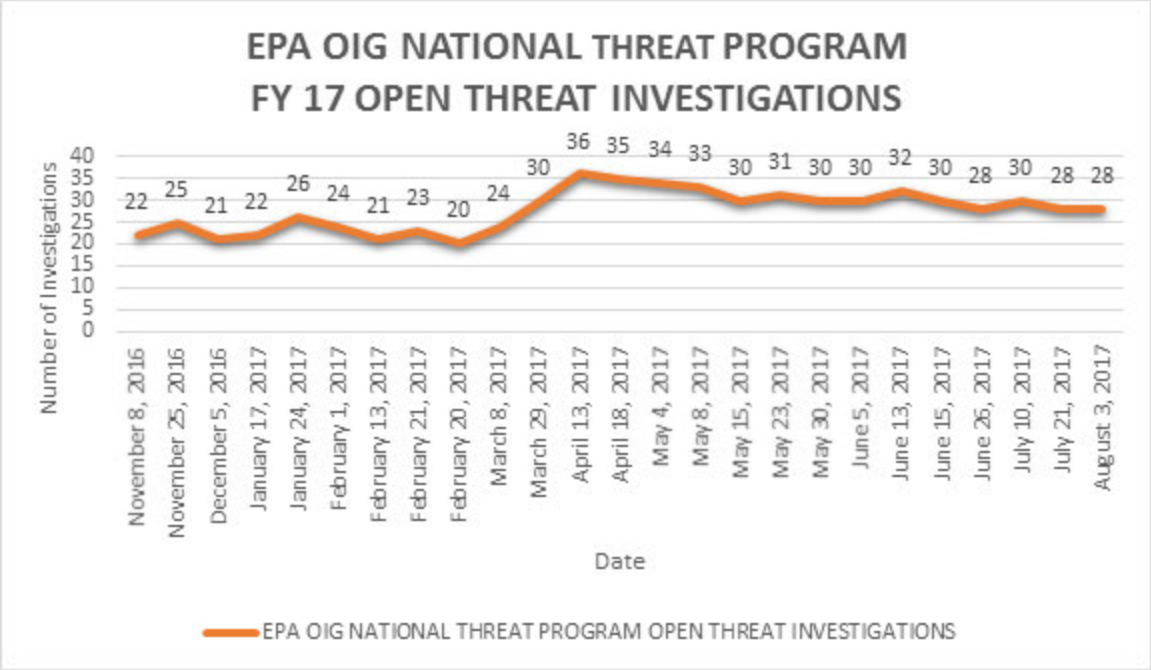

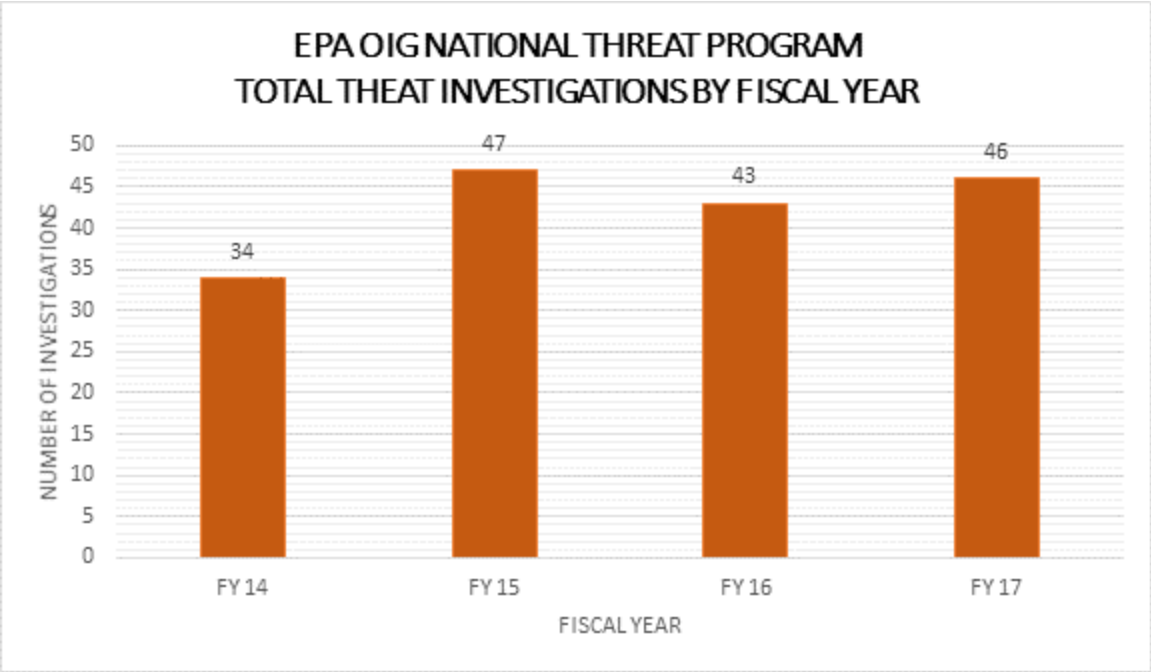
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TOTAL THEAT INVESTIGATIONS BY FISCAL YEAR
NUMBER OF INVESTIGATIONS
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10
5
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FY 17
FISCAL YEAR

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**To:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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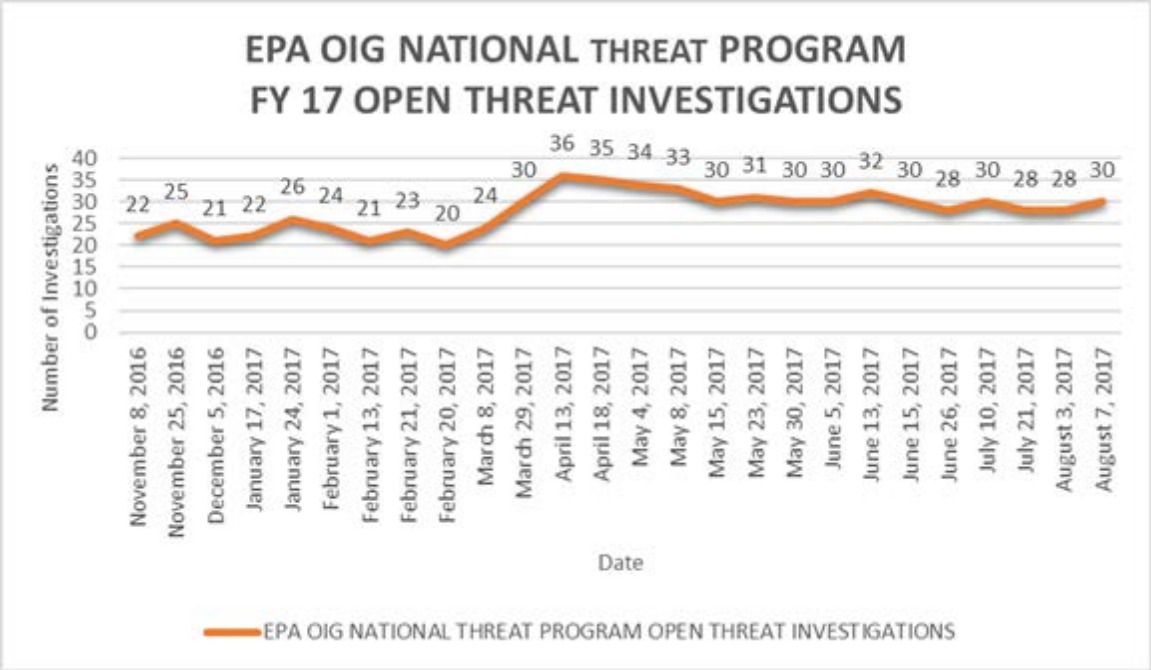


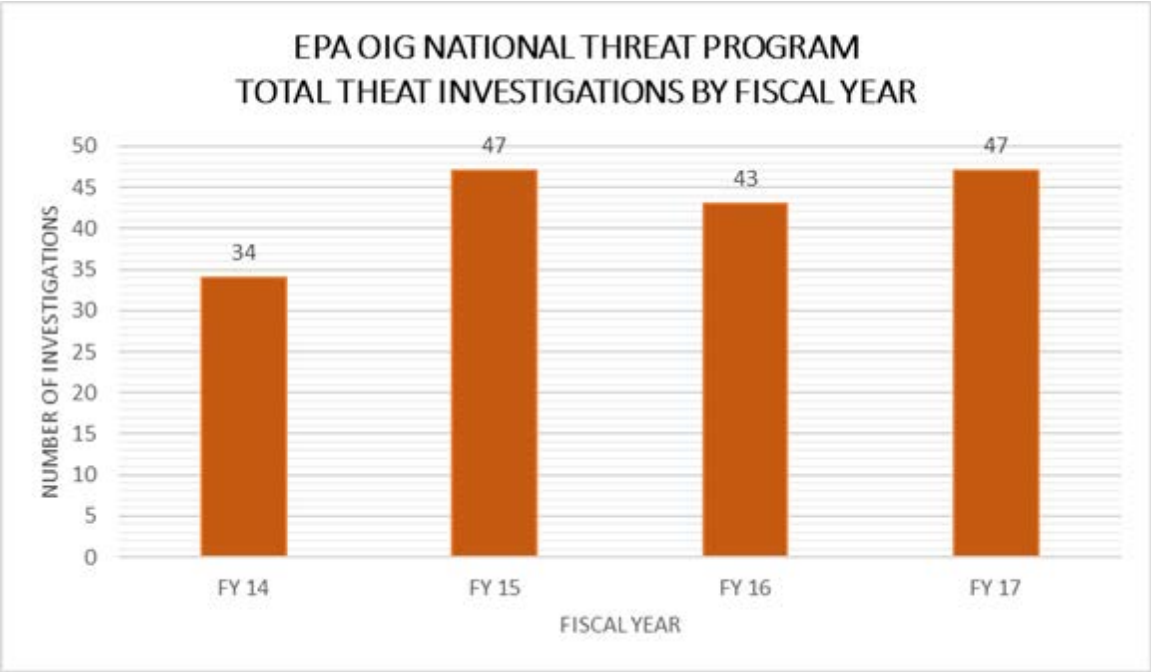

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**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
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**Cc:**
**Subject:** Threat Tracker Update
**Date:** Saturday, September 02, 2017 11:19:03 AM
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Good Morning Sir,

The threat tracker has been updated as of September 2, 2017. I have also started to compile stats for the end of the fiscal year. Please let me know if you need anything further.

Respectfully,
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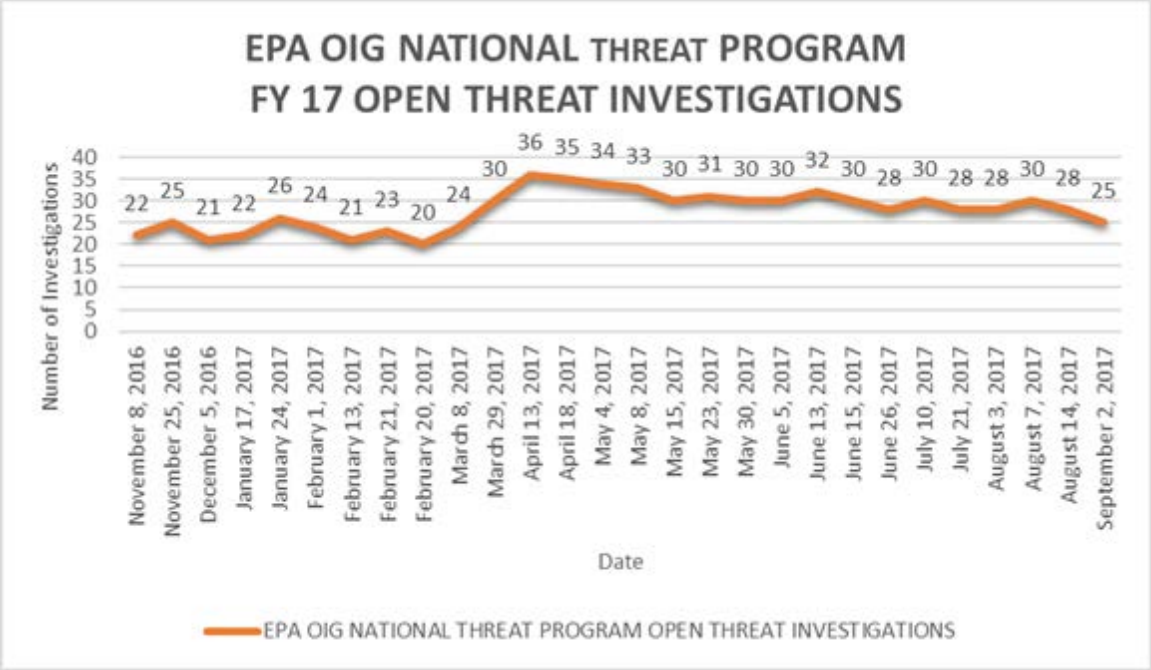

**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
**To:** [redacted]
**Subject:** FY17 Statistical Breakdown
**Date:** Tuesday, October 24, 2017 11:45:58 AM

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]

Please see the following statistical breakdown for FY17: All numbers are subject to change.

FY17 THREAT INVESTIGATION STATISTICS
FY17 Total Threat Investigations: 50
FY17 Total Threats Against the Administrator/Administrator's Family: 21

- Former Administrator McCarthy – 3
- Administrator Pruitt – 16
- Both Administrator Pruitt and Former Administrator McCarthy: 1
- Administrator Pruitt Family Members: 1
- Administrator McCarthy Family Members: 0

FY17 Total Threats Against EPA Personnel or Facilities: 29
FY17 Highest Number of Open Threat Investigations: 36 (Mid-April 2017)
FY17 Lowest Number of Open Threat Investigations: 21 (Early December 2016)

FY17 INVESTIGATION STATISTICS
FY17 Total Threats Accepted for Prosecution: 2
FY17 Total Bar Notices: 7
FY17 Total BOLOs: 2
FY17 Total Arrests: 3 ([redacted])
FY17 Total Seizures: 0
FY17 Total Search Warrants: 1 ([redacted])

FY17 BREAKDOWN OF INVESTIGATIONS BY FIELD OFFICE

- OPR: 18 – 36%
- WFO: 12 – 24%
- SFO: 10 – 20%
- CFO: 4 – 8%
- DFO: 3 – 6%
- AFO: 2 – 4%
- OPS: 1 – 2%
- TOTAL: 50 – 100%

**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
**To:**
**Subject:** Threat Tracker
**Date:** Thursday, November 30, 2017 1:00:56 PM
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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]

Please see the following: This data is current as of November 29, 2017. I'm still having trouble with the line graph.

Respectfully,
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]

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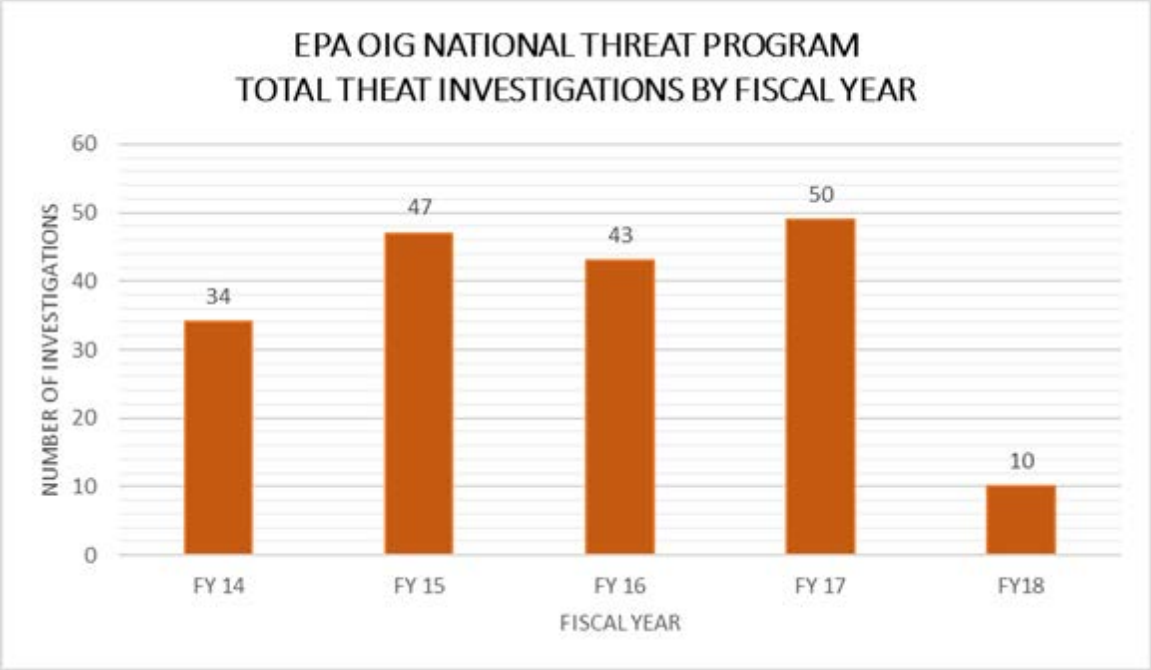

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]

Please see the following. We currently have 28 open threat investigations. Please let me know if you need any further information.

Respectfully,
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
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Office of Inspector General – Office of Investigations
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]

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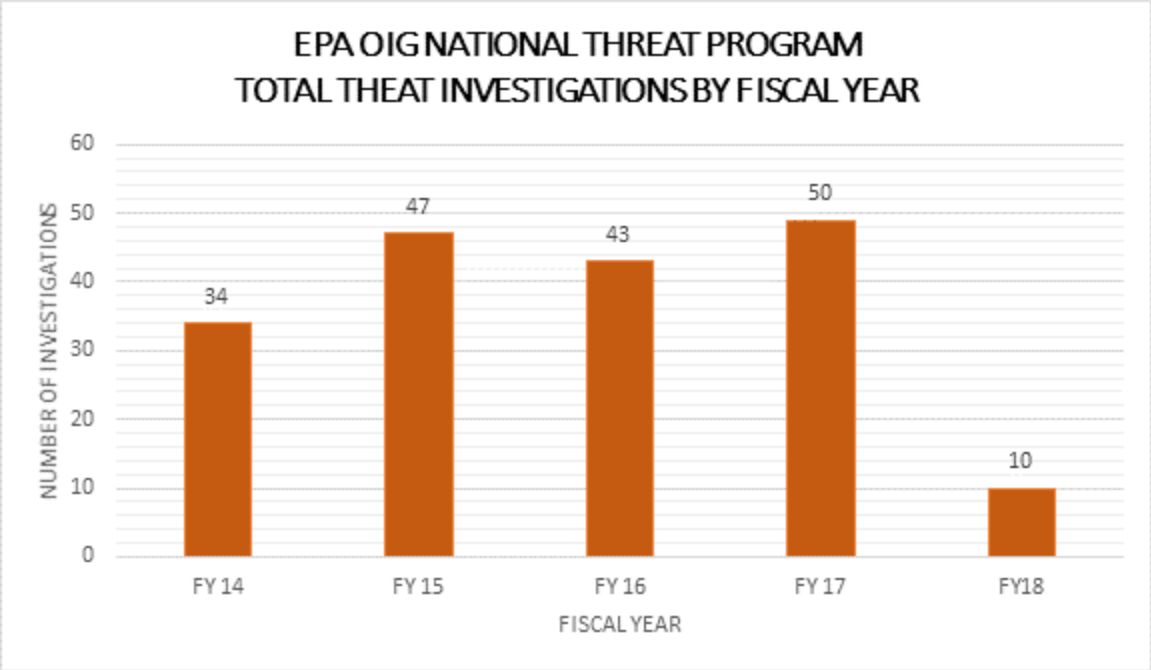

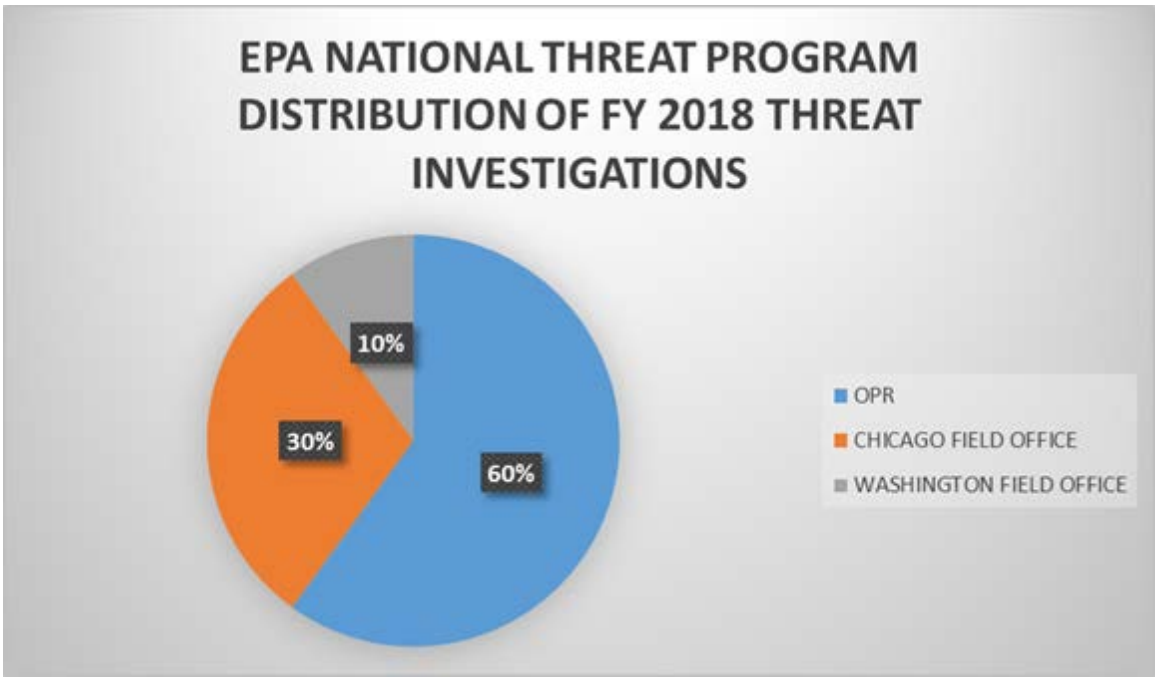
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**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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**Cc:**
**Subject:** Threat Tracker Stats
**Date:** Thursday, December 07, 2017 10:58:46 AM
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Good Morning,

Please see the following stats in regards to the threat program

Respectfully,
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)
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Environmental Protection Agency
Office of Inspector General – Office of Investigations
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C)

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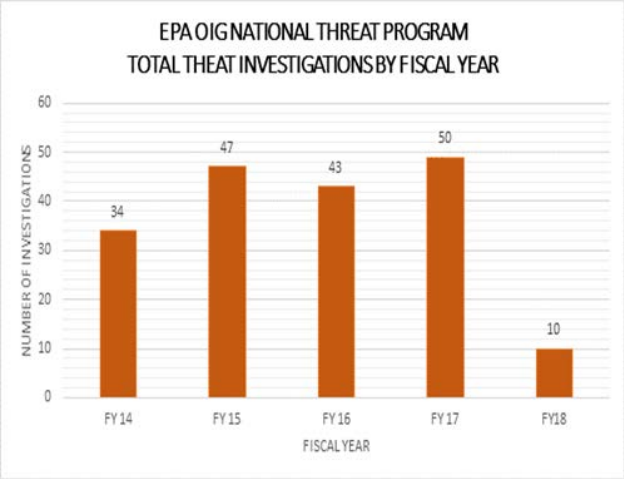

**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
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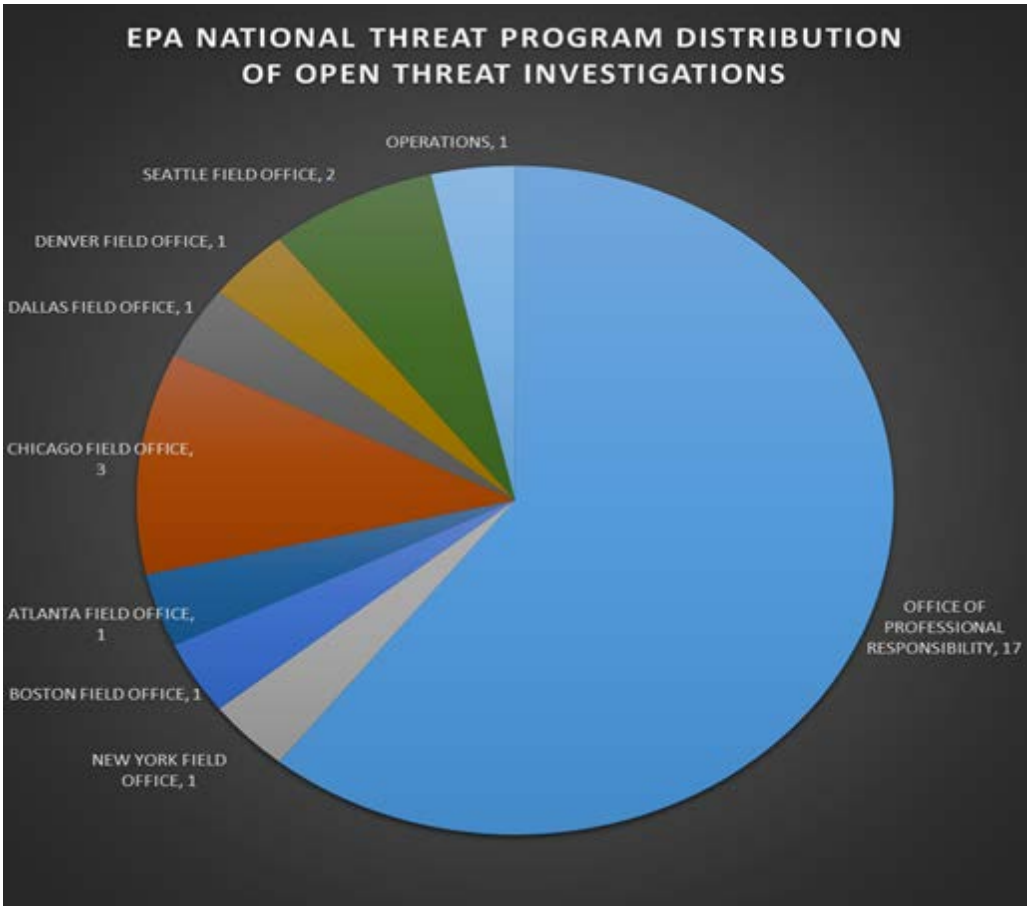
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]

As requested. The tracker was last updated on December 4, 2017. Please let me know if you need anything further.



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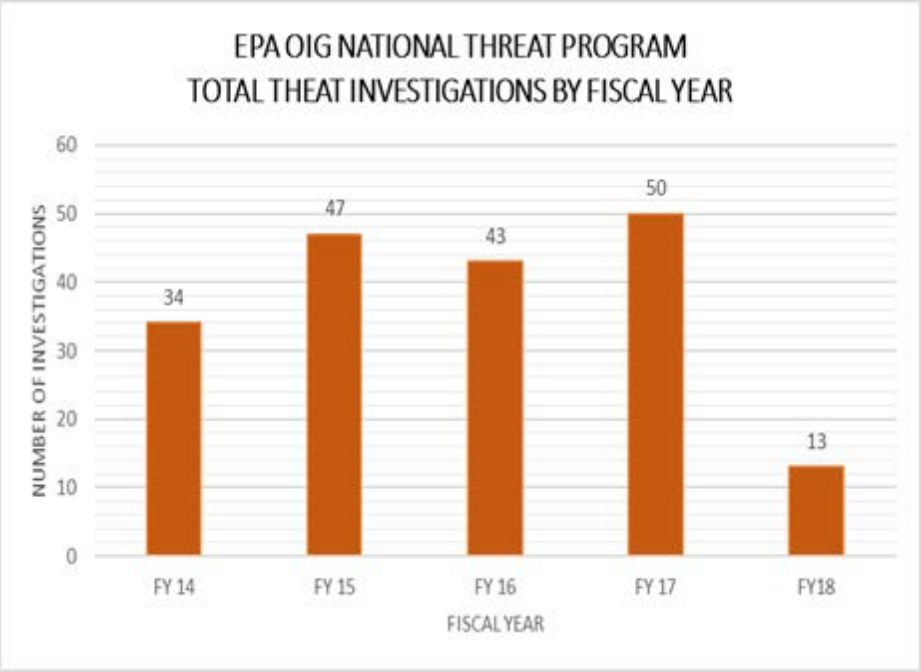
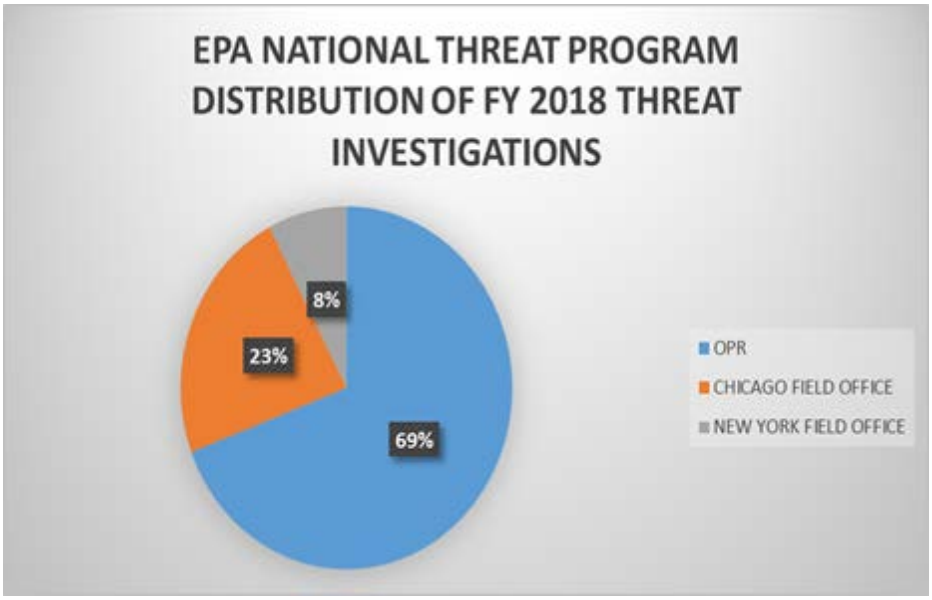
All,

Please see the following.

- Approximate Total Number of Threat Investigations (All Years): 190
- Total OPEN OPR Investigations – 28
- Total OPEN OPR Investigations (This time last year) – 25
- Total Threat Investigations in FY18 – 13
- Total Threat Investigations This Time Last Year for FY17 – Approximately 11
- Total FY18 Threat Investigations Regarding the EPA Administrator: 6
- Total FY17 Threat Investigations Regarding Both EPA Administrators (This time last year): Approximately 4

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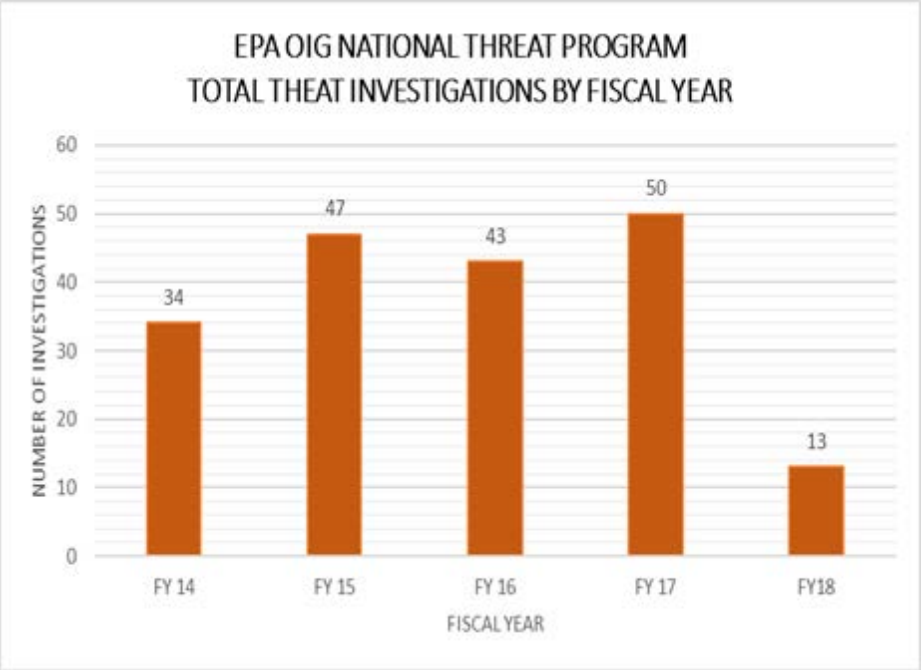

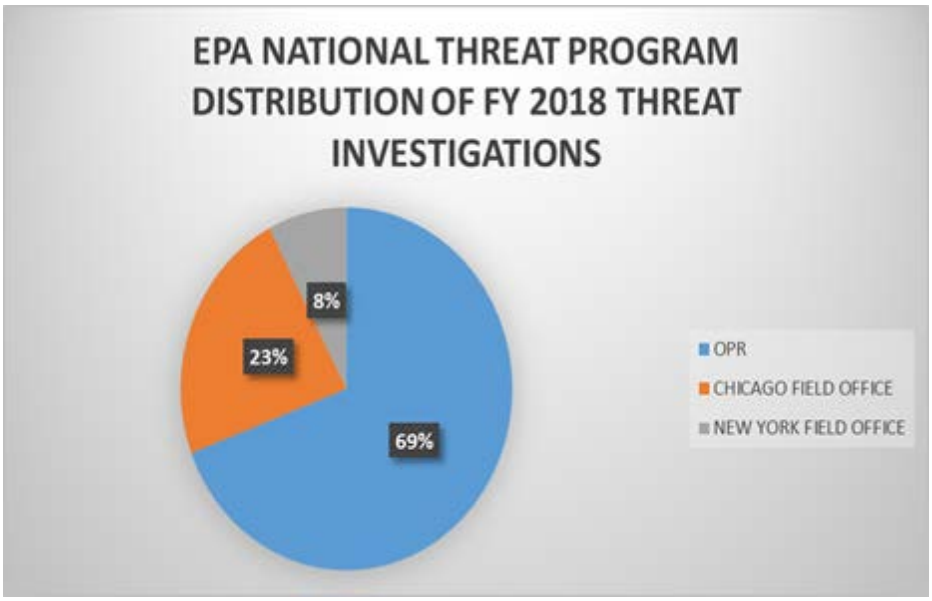
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**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
**To:** [redacted]
**Subject:** Tracker Info
**Date:** Wednesday, March 07, 2018 8:48:56 AM

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]

Please see the following update for the conference call today. Let me know if you need anything further.

Total Cases (All FYs): Approximately 200
Total Open (All FYs): 32
Total Cases (FY18): 22
Total on 3/7/2017: 24

Respectfully,
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
Special Agent
Office of Investigations
Office of Inspector General
Environmental Protection Agency
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]

**From:** (b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
**To:** [redacted]
**Subject:** Tracker Update and Info
**Date:** Monday, March 12, 2018 9:47:24 AM

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(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]

Tracker was updated today. Please see the following for the meeting today. Let me know if you need anything further.

Total Cases (All FYs): Approx. 200
Total Open (All FYs): 33
Total Cases (FY18): 23
Total on 3/7/2017: 24
Total concerning Admin FY18: 10

(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]
Special Agent
Office of Investigations
Office of Inspector General
Environmental Protection Agency
(b) (6), (b) (7)(C) [redacted]