From:	Phil Rutherford
То:	"IGHOTLINE"
Cc:	The.Secretary@hq.doe.gov; william.white@hq.doe.gov; "Mengers, Joshua"
Subject:	RE: [EXTERNAL] Complaint 23-0160-C
Date:	Thursday, February 8, 2024 2:40:56 PM
Attachments:	FOIA Request for File on OIG Complaint 23-0160-C (887 KB).msg

Dear Hotline Coordinator (RC),

At your suggestion, I have submitted a FOIA request for the investigation file related to Complaint 23-0160-C. See attached email.

Quite aside from the FOIA request, when was the investigation closed, and why did I not receive notification of its conclusion from your office? In the event that your notification went to my spam folder, please resend your closure notification to me.

Sincerely,

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From: IGHOTLINE <ighotline@hq.doe.gov>
Sent: Thursday, February 8, 2024 7:44 AM
To: Phil Rutherford <email@philrutherford.com>
Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] Complaint 23-0160-C

Good Morning,

Your complaint is closed. The OIG determined that no further action was warranted. No further information is available via this venue; however, you are welcome to request a copy of the file via the Freedom of Information Act (FOIA). Please reference complaint # 23-0160-C. Status, disposition and FOIA information can be found on our website: (https://www.energy.gov/ig/ig-hotline).

Hotline Coordinator RC

From: Phil Rutherford <<u>email@philrutherford.com</u>>
Sent: Wednesday, February 7, 2024 11:30 PM
To: IGHOTLINE <<u>ighotline@hq.doe.gov</u>>
Cc: Secretary <<u>the.secretary@hq.doe.gov</u>>; White, William <<u>william.white@em.doe.gov</u>>;
Mengers, Joshua (EMCBC) <<u>joshua.mengers@emcbc.doe.gov</u>>
Subject: [EXTERNAL] Complaint 23-0160-C

Dear Inspector General,

It is now one year since I submitted my complaint, 23-0160-C, regarding falsification of data for waste shipments from DOE's Energy Technology Engineering Center (ETEC).

Attached is the original complaint plus the prior letter to ETEC management, providing background for the complaint.

Please provide a status of your investigation and tell me how many more years that DOE needs to complete its investigation.

Sincerely,

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From: Phil Rutherford <<u>email@philrutherford.com</u>>
Sent: Friday, February 10, 2023 11:14 AM
To: ighotline@hq.doe.gov
Subject: Complaint - Shipments of Waste from the former Energy Technology
Engineering Center

Dear Inspector General Donaldson,

Please find attached, a complaint regarding irregularities in waste shipments from the former Energy Technology Engineering Center.

Sincerely,

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