



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL

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PREPARED BY: [REDACTED]

CASE #: OI-AT-2016-CAC-0074

CROSS REFERENCE #:

TITLE: UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S): THREAT LETTER MAILED TO EPA ADMINISTRATOR

CASE CLOSING REPORT

Table with 3 columns: Subject(s), Location, Other Data. Row 1: UNKNOWN SUBJECT(S), ATLANTA, GA, [REDACTED]

VIOLATION(S): 18 U.S. Code § 111, Assaulting, resisting, or impeding certain officers or employees; U.S. Code § 876, Mailing threatening communications.

ALLEGATION: Unknown Subject(s) mailed a threatening letter to the U.S. EPA Administrator.

FINDINGS: On May 19, 2016, [REDACTED], EPA Protective Services Detail, turned over to EPA-OIG an anonymous letter addressed to the "EPA Administrator, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave NW, Washington, DC 20004" which was received by the EPA Administrator's office on May 16, 2016. The letter was hand printed and it stated "[REDACTED] Knows! There is an old saying in NY organized crime, 'You hurt us and our families, and we will hurt you and your family'. The [REDACTED] would say, 'We know who you are, and we know where you live'." The envelope associated with the threat letter was postmarked "Atlanta Metro 300", "06 May 2016 PM8 L."

On May 23, 2016, EPA-OIG Special Agent (SA) [REDACTED] contacted the U.S. Postal Inspection Service in Charlotte, NC, regarding the anonymous threat letter received by the U.S. EPA Administrator's Office. On May 24, 2016, SA [REDACTED] spoke telephonically with [REDACTED], [REDACTED], U.S. Postal Inspection Service, Charlotte Division - Atlanta Field Office, regarding the anonymous threat letter. SA [REDACTED] emailed [REDACTED] a copy of the threat letter and the envelope at the conclusion of the telephone call. On May 24, 2016, [REDACTED] replied to SA [REDACTED] email, advising that no further information can be obtained regarding this mailing, other than that the enveloped originated in the 300-305 zip code zones. [REDACTED] noted that the North Metro plant processes mail for the majority of the northern third of the state. [REDACTED] further noted that this particular letter was cancelled through the North Metro processing plant on May 6, 2016, so likely it was dropped into the mail stream the same day.

█████ advised that the Postal Inspector National Headquarters Dangerous Mail Group is not aware of any associated mailings.

SA █████ also coordinated with the U.S. Secret Service, the Federal Bureau of Investigation, and the U.S. Marshals Service. All advised that they had not seen a similar letter, but would coordinate with SA █████ if their protectees or organizations received similar letters.

DISPOSITION: On June 6, 2016, EPA-OIG Special Agent █████ presented the facts of this case telephonically to Assistant United States Attorney Bernita Malloy, U.S. Attorney's Office, Northern District of Georgia, for possible violations of 18 U.S. Code § 111, Assaulting, resisting, or impeding certain officers or employees and 18 U.S. Code § 876, Mailing threatening communications. Specifically, SA █████ presented the particulars of the anonymous threatening letter previously identified in this investigation. After hearing the facts of this investigation, Assistant United States Attorney Malloy declined the case.

Case is recommended for closure.