GOVERNMENT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

Office of the Inspector General

Inspector General



July 20, 2016

The Honorable Muriel E. Bowser Mayor District of Columbia 1350 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. Mayor's Correspondence Unit, 2nd Floor, Suite 316 Washington, D.C. 20004

Re: SIGNIFICANT ACTIVITY REPORT

Dear Mayor Bowser:

This letter is to inform you that on July 13, 2016, a U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia judge sentenced Lucretia B. Barksdale, a former Department of Consumer and Regulatory Affairs (DCRA) employee, to 3 years of probation, to include 180 days of home confinement and location monitoring, for receiving bribe payments to facilitate the illegal issuance of DCRA permits and licenses. In addition, the court ordered Ms. Barksdale to complete 80 hours of community service and to pay a special assessment of \$100.00.

The joint Federal Bureau of Investigation (FBI) and D.C. Office of the Inspector General (OIG) investigation revealed that, on at least two occasions, Ms. Barksdale misused her official position to extort money from customers seeking business licenses and construction related permits. Specifically, from in or about April 2012 through in or about May 2012, Ms. Barksdale illegally issued construction permits to a Confidential Human Source in exchange for money that she kept for her personal use. On March 24, 2016, Ms. Barksdale pled guilty to one felony count of Receipt of a Bribe by a Public Official, in violation of 18 U.S.C. § 201 (b)(2)(A).

If you need any additional information, please feel free to call me or Martin J. Kenney, Assistant Inspector General for Investigations, at (202) 727-2540. When calling, please reference OIG Control Number 2010-0067.

Sincerely,

Daniel W. Lucas Inspector General

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