

AMEC plc / AMEC Construction Management Inc.

Case ID:

ST-42

Case Cluster :

AMEC plc

Jurisdiction of Settlement:

United States

Jurisdiction of Settlement / Enforcement Agency:

Department of Justice; General Services Administration Inspector General

Jurisdiction of Foreign Public Official(s) :

United Kingdom, United States

Year of Settlement:

2009

Month/Day of Settlement (or Notes):

02/02

Other Jurisdictions of Settlement:

Unknown

Settlement with Individual or Legal Person?:

Legal Person

Type of Settlement:

Criminal

Legal Form of Settlement:

Agree to Civil Penalties, Forfeit previous claim

Monetary Sanctions (Types):

Civil Penalty, Forfeit Previous Claim

Total Monetary Sanctions (US\$):

\$19,040,256.00

Civil Fine / Penalty (US\$):

\$19,040,256

Monetary Sanctions Returned / Ordered Returned (US\$):

\$0

UNCAC Articles(s) Implicated:

Art.16

Art.26

OECD Anti-Bribery Convention Articles Implicated:

Art. 1, Art. 2

Offenses - Alleged:

Fraud, False Claims, Kickbacks; Excessive re-procurement costs

Offenses - Settled:

Fraud, False Claims, Kickbacks; Excessive re-procurement costs

Public Procurement Contract / SOE Involved?:

Yes

Summary:

According to a US Department of Justice Press Release, AMEC Construction Management Inc. agreed to pay \$19 million to settle litigation regarding fraud, false claims, kick-backs and

re-procurement costs on US federal construction projects. In one of the counterclaims filed in the US Court of Federal Claims, the US had sought damages and penalties under the False Claims Act, the Anti-Kickback Act and common law theories for false bond reimbursement claims submitted by AMEC Construction Management Inc. (ACMI) to the US General Services Administration (GSA) and bond premium kickbacks paid by the company's bond broker to ACMI's United Kingdom parent company, AMEC plc, on four federal contracts. (Source: US Department of Justice, U.S. Recovers \$19 Million from AMEC Construction Management to Settle Litigation Regarding Fraud, False Claims, Kickbacks & Re-Procurement Costs on Federal Construction Contracts," February 2, 2009, accessed at <http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/2009/February/09-civ-085.html>). Additional details also in US General Services Administration Inspector General Press Release, "GSA OIG Recovers Over \$19 Million in False Claims from GSA Contractor -- Contractor Also Forfeits \$83.5 Million in Pending Claims," accessed at <http://www.gsaig.gov/index.cfm/news/gsa-oig-recovers-over-19-million-in-false-claims-from-gsa-contractor-contractor-also-forfeits-83,5-million-in-pending-claims/>.

Sources :

US Department of Justice Press Release, "U.S. Recovers \$19 Million from AMEC Construction Management to Settle Litigation Regarding Fraud, False Claims, Kickbacks & Re-Procurement Costs on Federal Construction Contracts," February 2, 2009, accessed at <http://www.justice.gov/opa/pr/2009/February/09-civ-085.html>; US General Services Administration Inspector General Press Release, "GSA OIG Recovers Over \$19 Million in False Claims from GSA Contractor -- Contractor Also Forfeits \$83.5 Million in Pending Claims," accessed at <http://www.gsaig.gov/index.cfm/news/gsa-oig-recovers-over-19-million-in-false-claims-from-gsa-contractor-contractor-also-forfeits-835-million-in-pending-claims/>.