

INSPECTOR GENERAL REPORT

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April 8, 2011

SPD DEPENDENT AUDIT INVESTIGATION #19

Inspector General Staff Attorney Todd Shumaker, after an investigation by Special Agent Darrell Boehmer, reports as follows:

In February 2011, the State Personnel Department (SPD) forwarded to the Office of Inspector General (OIG) a series of complaints alleging possible insurance fraud that arose out of a Dependent Eligibility Verification Audit (Audit) by SPD. Among those complaints was one against a former Department of Child Service employee ("Employee"), who failed to deliver to the Audit administrator documentation confirming the eligibility of her spouse and son.

The OIG is charged by the Indiana Legislature to address fraud, waste and abuse in state agencies. IC 4-2-7-2(b). In so doing, the OIG is instructed to supervise and coordinate investigations. IC 4-2-7-3(1).

OIG Special Agent Darrell Boehmer was assigned to investigate. Special Agent Boehmer received copies of Employee's marriage license, her son's birth certificate and records of joint debt held by Employee and her spouse. Special

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¹ Employee's employment with DCS terminated on October 13, 2010. Benefits termed on November 20, 2010 as a result of her termination from state employment.

Agent Boehmer was unable to locate any divorce filings by Employee or her spouse to suggest they were no longer married. This documentation confirmed Employee's spouse and son were eligible dependents to her State insurance plans.

Finding no basis for criminal charges, Special Agent Boehmer recommended the investigation be closed at this time. Should additional evidence be brought forward, this case may be evaluated for further action. At this time and for these reasons, this case is closed.

Dated this 8th day of April, 2011.

APPROVED BY:

/s/ David O. Thomas, Inspector General