MEMORANDUM FOR: The Record
FROM: Craig McLean
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SUBJECT: FY 2018 Scientific and Research Misconduct Annual Report

NOAA is publishing the following report in accordance with NOAA Administrative Order 202-735D: Scientific Integrity, Section 10: Communication, Oversight, Review, and Reporting. During Fiscal Year 2018 (starting on October 1, 2017 and ending September 30, 2018) NOAA received one allegation of scientific misconduct involving NOAA employees. The status of that allegation is as follows:

Allegations in Progress

2018-009Q – A private citizen alleged scientific misconduct and loss of scientific integrity by National Ocean Service employees who worked as co-authors of an external publication, and, scientific misconduct and loss of scientific integrity of a National Marine Fisheries employee who served as an editor of the external publication. The case has been referred to inquiry by the NOAA Scientific Integrity Officer.

Allegations Closed

None