

February 27, 2006

Battelle Memorial Institute
Attn: General Counsel's Office
505 King Avenue
Columbus, Ohio 43201

Dear General Counsel of Battelle Memorial Institute:

The Project On Government Oversight (POGO) is overhauling and renewing its Federal Contractor Misconduct Database (www.pogo.org/db/index.cfm), a compilation of information from public resources regarding government contractors, including Battelle Memorial Institute. I have enclosed the findings relevant to Battelle Memorial Institute and am requesting verification or refutation of the data from you by March 10, 2006.

Any response would be greatly appreciated, as the accuracy of this information is in the best interest of all parties. Out of fairness to Battelle Memorial Institute, please be assured that any response received by POGO will be posted on the website along with the data.

Changes to the database include: the addition of more current instances, removal of Superfund cleanup costs, and removal of information that could not be verified with official documents. Additionally, pending cases will still be included, but this information will be kept separate from the resolved cases and will not be included in any totals.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at (202) 347-1122. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Kevin L. Phelps
Project Director

Enclosure

Pending Case

Case Name:

Stevens v. Battelle Memorial, et. al.

Date: 03/17/04

Misconduct Type: Health

Contract Type: Government Civilian

Court Type: Civil

Amount: N/A

Disposition: Pending

Synopsis:

Battelle Memorial Institute, as a government contractor with science-related contracts, had a supply of anthrax. During the anthrax scare of 2001, Battelle was suspected of releasing anthrax into the mail system or not sufficiently securing it against terrorist threats. Stevens, a photo editor in Florida, died after anthrax exposure and his estate consequently sued Battelle Memorial.

Documents to Include:

None