

NATIONAL RAILROAD PASSENGER CORPORATION  
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL  
OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS  
INVESTIGATIVE CLOSING REPORT

TITLE: Theft  
DATE OF REPORT: August 20, 2008  
REPORT PREPARED BY: [redacted] SSA and [redacted] SA  
CASE NUMBER: 07-049

I. FINDINGS OF FACT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

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A. FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Office of Inspector General ("OIG"), Office of Investigations ("OI"), received information alleging that [redacted], [redacted] had been stealing scrap material from Amtrak's [redacted] Yard in [redacted] ("[redacted]"). [redacted] allegedly bragged about having an agreement with a representative from another company, possibly [redacted], involving the scrap material. Allegedly, [redacted] stated that [redacted] was the representative. It was also alleged that management knew about [redacted]'s removal of the scrap material and did not take any corrective action.
2. [redacted] admitted to OI that he had removed various scrap materials from [redacted] and sold the items to a scrap yard. [redacted] told OI that he had permission letters from [redacted] to remove some scrap material from [redacted] but that he had also removed additional scrap material. [redacted] subsequently provided OI with two letters from [redacted] in which she wrote that [redacted] had permission to remove scrap materials from [redacted], and a third letter in which [redacted] wrote that [redacted], [redacted]'s father, had permission to remove an item. (See Exhibit 1).
3. OI confirmed that [redacted] was working as a [redacted] representative in an office at [redacted]. [redacted] initially denied to OI that she had any arrangement with [redacted] or other employees involving the removal of scrap materials. When questioned by OI a second time, [redacted] continued to deny giving permission to [redacted] to remove any items from [redacted]. Only after OI confronted her with copies of the three letters from Exhibit 1, did [redacted] confirm that she had an arrangement with [redacted] to remove scrap material.
4. OI notified management of the admissions [redacted] had made to OI detailing his involvement with the removal of various scrap materials from [redacted] and the sale of the materials for personal gain. Amtrak issued administrative charges against [redacted] on December 20, 2007.
5. [redacted] was terminated by Amtrak on February 29, 2008.
6. OI interviewed employees working at [redacted] during the time period [redacted] indicated he had removed the materials. [redacted] told OI that he had questioned [redacted] after observing him loading some scrap material, and that [redacted] had shown him a letter

- from [REDACTED]. The [REDACTED] told OI that he did not report [REDACTED]'s actions to management because he assumed [REDACTED]'s actions were authorized. OI could not substantiate that management had given [REDACTED] permission to take scrap materials from [REDACTED], observed [REDACTED] removing any scrap materials, or that management collected any proceeds from the sale of the materials.
7. OI reviewed Amtrak's Locomotive service Contract with [REDACTED], and found [REDACTED]'s actions violated the general provisions of the contract (See Exhibit 2).
  8. On April 8, 2008, OI issued an Administrative Report to [REDACTED], [REDACTED], detailing [REDACTED]'s and [REDACTED]'s actions at [REDACTED] (See Exhibit 3).
  9. On April 10, 2008, OI received a response from [REDACTED] indicating that he had sent a memorandum to GE demanding the immediate removal of [REDACTED] from her position working with Amtrak, and that [REDACTED] no longer have access to Amtrak property (See Exhibit 4).
  10. On August 8, 2008, OI received a second response from [REDACTED] indicating that [REDACTED] internal investigation concluded that [REDACTED]'s actions would not lead to her dismissal. However, Amtrak would have the final decision regarding her continued involvement with Amtrak. [REDACTED] indicated in his response that he had notified [REDACTED] that it was Amtrak's position that [REDACTED] continue to have no authorized access to Amtrak property (See Exhibit 5).

**B. RECOMMENDATIONS**

1. Allegation substantiated in part. Close case pending further information.

Chief Inspector: [REDACTED] Date: 8/21/08

Deputy Inspector General/Counsel: [REDACTED] Date: 8/22/08

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