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FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF PENNSYLVANIA

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WEST. DIST. OF PENNSYLVANIA

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA)
)
 v.)
)
 MICHAEL J. RUFFATTO)

Criminal No. 16-167
(18 U.S.C. §§ 287 and 2)

INFORMATION

COUNT ONE

The United States Attorney charges that:

On or about October 13, 2011, in the Western District of Pennsylvania and elsewhere, the defendant, MICHAEL J. RUFFATTO, did knowingly make and present, and cause to be made and presented, to the National Energy Technology Laboratory, an agency of the United States Department of Energy, a claim against the United States for payment, which the defendant, MICHAEL J. RUFFATTO, knew to be false, fictitious and fraudulent, by preparing and causing to be prepared, and submitting and causing to be submitted, a payment request for reimbursement in the amount of \$363,668.50 relating to Financial Assistance Award Number DE-FE0001997 titled, "Recovery Act - Two Elk Energy Carbon Site Characterization Study," well knowing such claim to be false, fictitious and fraudulent.

In violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 287 and Section 2.



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