



**EMPLOYEE AGREES TO CIVIL SETTLEMENT RELATED TO THE  
FRAUDULENT RECEIPT OF CARES ACT FUNDS**

**Activity Date: October 11, 2022**

**Date Posted: March 13, 2023**

**Case Number: FL-23-0010-O**

**Web Summary: OIG-WS-2023-314**

On October 11, 2022, an Amtrak pipe fitter based in Miami, Florida, signed a civil settlement agreement with the U.S. Attorney's Office, Southern District of Florida, and agreed to pay \$10,000 in restitution and a \$5,000 penalty. Our investigation found that the employee submitted an application that contained false statements and information to the Small Business Administration in order to qualify for a CARES Act Economic Injury Disaster Loan Advance, resulting in the receipt of funds to which he was not entitled.