

### **Awards and Settlements Appropriation**

Section 415 of the Act established "an account of the Office in the Treasury of the United States for the payment of awards and settlements . . . under this Act," and further authorized to be appropriated "such sums as may be necessary to pay such awards and settlements." Section 415 stipulated that awards and settlements under the Act can only be paid from that account, which is to be separate from the operating expenses account of the Office of Compliance established under section 305 of the Act. The Executive Director approves all such awards and settlements.

In FY 2016, a total of \$573,929 was awarded and disbursed under 14 settlements made under section 415 of the CAA. In FY 2017, 8 settlements have been awarded totaling \$934,754.

### **Settlements by Fiscal Year**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Number of Settlements*</b>	<b>Total \$ Amount</b>
1997	7	\$45,729
1998	16	\$103,180
1999	6	\$72,350
2000	16	\$55,638
2001	7	\$121,400
2002	10	\$3,974,077
2003	11	\$730,071
2004	15	\$388,209
2005	14	\$909,872
2006	18	\$849,529
2007	25	\$4,053,274
2008	10	\$875,317
2009	13	\$831,360
2010	9	\$246,271
2011	16	\$437,465
2012	12	\$426,539
2013	14	\$334,823
2014	11	\$806,450
2015	13	\$483,529
2016	14	\$573,929
2017	8	\$934,754

Monetary settlements could resolve multiple claims across fiscal years\*