Dear FBI representatives:

Please include the following chronological information in your investigations of BOTH the Amerithrax investigation of the anthrax attacks in 2001, and also the DoD Inspector General's Defense Criminal Investigative Service referral of DCIS complaint #84142 regarding the anthrax vaccine.

It is only through a thorough understanding of the DoD's past violations of proper processes under the law and the anthrax vaccine's illegality history that you can fully appreciate the attempts to obscure past wrongdoing. This timeline may also help the FBI to understand the possibility that someone affiliated with the DoD's AVIP may have been responsible for the anthrax attacks in order to get their program back on track.

Timeline:

1957: 1st anthrax epidemic in 100 years occurs during a US Army anthrax vaccine clinical trial (experiment) at wool mills in Manchester, New Hampshire (NH). Four workers die. Data from this trial was not initially provided to get the DoD anthrax vaccine licensed - obvious question is - if it's used today to justify licensure, why were officials reticent in the late 1960's to submit the data to regulatory authorities?

1970: A different anthrax vaccine is licensed, initially without using the NH experiment data.

1972: FDA takes over regulation of biologic products, and is ordered by the FDA Commissioner that they must review all vaccine licenses.

1985: FDA finally reviews the anthrax vaccine, acknowledging no required clinical trial.

1985: US Army acknowledges limitations of the anthrax vaccine, asks industry for a new one.

1990: US Army anthrax vaccine is illegally altered and adulterated prior to the Gulf War. Over 150,000 US soldiers inoculated with anthrax vaccine. No records are kept.

1993: First active onsite FDA inspections of anthrax vaccine manufacturer begin.

1994: US Senate critiques Army use of anthrax vaccine in Gulf War as “investigational.” Anthrax vaccine considered, but not studied, as a possible cause of Gulf War Illness.

1995: First Warning letter issued by FDA to anthrax vaccine manufacturer for deviations.

1996: Manufacturer applies to FDA at DoD’s request and with their assistance for approval of an “inhalation anthrax” indication for vaccine.

1997: FDA issues a notice of intent to revoke the anthrax vaccine license due to deviations. US Army acknowledges that the anthrax vaccine not licensed for biological warfare.

1998: FDA inspects anthrax vaccine plant, finding the manufacturing process “not validated. Within a month the Defense Secretary mandates anthrax vaccinations for all 2.4 million soldiers. Manufacturer “voluntarily” shuts down production, quarantines 60% of inventory.

1999: Congressional hearings begin, ultimately finding anthrax vaccine “experimental.” DoD begins punishing, imprisoning and discharging over 1,000 vaccine refusers. New law deems use of experimental vaccines, without a presidential waiver, illegal.

2000: FDA continues inspections, finding additional violations of manufacturing practices. DoD continues inoculating over ½ a million soldiers, while 1,000’s fall ill.

2001: President George Bush directs a review of the anthrax vaccine and Gulf War Illness. Initial recommendations to the Secretary of Defense - “minimize” use of anthrax vaccine. Public resistance by US Army officials to proposal considering cancellation of the AVIP. 2nd anthrax epidemic, killing 5 US citizens, unleashed through the US Postal Service. FBI reports anthrax source is “domestic” – most likely
origin is US Army stockpiles. Attacks make it apparent that highly refined and concentrated spores led to the deaths in this epidemic, casting suspicion on the similar number of deaths in the first anthrax epidemic in 1957. Common denominator was US Army involvement.

2002: After a 4-year closure, the anthrax vaccine manufacturer receives expedited reapproval. DoD renews vaccinations, bringing the total to over 1 million soldiers inoculated.

2003: More soldiers fall ill, while still more are punished, imprisoned and discharged. FBI knows that original 'person of interest' is not the likely perpetrator of the anthrax attacks, and that a highly sophisticated process, which included silica and polymerized glass with the anthrax spores, is likely responsible...

Caution – GAO officials have warned me that the US Army advisors on the FBI’s Amerithrax investigation may be implicated.