FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION

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SECRETARY OF LABOR,

v.

MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (MSHA).

Petitioner

CIVIL PENALTY PROCEEDING

Docket No. LAKE 84-38

A.C. No. 11-00599-03548

Orient Mine No. 6

FREEMAN UNITED **COAL** MINING COMPANY,

Respondent

DECISION

Appearances: Rafael Alvarez, Esq., Office of the Solicitor,

U.S. Department of Labor, Chicago, Illinois,

for Petitioner:

Harry M. Coven, Esq., Gould & Ratner, Chicago,

Illinois, for Respondent.

Before:

Judge Kennedy

The captioned penalty proceeding came on for an evidentiary hearing in Chicago, Illinois on May 17, 1984. The 104(a) S&S citation charged a violation of 30 C.F.R. 75.304, failure to make an adequate **onshift** examination for hazardous conditions.

During examination of the inspector it became apparent that the violation charged could not in fact have occurred. Whereupon, counsel for the Secretary moved to vacate the citation and dismiss the proposal for penalty. **There being** no opposition the motion was granted and the case dismissed.

The premises considered, it is ORDERED that the bench decision in this matter be, and hereby is, AFFIRMED and the

matter DISMISSED.

Joseph B. Kennedy

Administrative Law Judge

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