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SOL (MSHA) v. CONSOLIDATION COAL

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SECRETARY OF LABOR,

CIVIL PENALTY PROCEEDING

MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (MSHA),

Docket No. WEVA 91-192 A.C. No. 46-01453-03947

V.

Humphrey No. 7 Mine

CONSOLIDATION COAL COMPANY, RESPONDENT

DECISION APPROVING SETTLEMENT

Appearances:

Robert Wilson, Esq., Office of the Solicitor, U.S.

Department of Labor, Arlington, Virginia, for the

Petitioner;

PETITIONER

Walter J. Scheller III, Esq., Consolidation Coal

Company, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, for the

Respondent.

Before: Judge Melick

This case is before me upon a petition for assessment of civil penalty under Section 105(d) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977 (the Act). At hearings Petitioner filed a motion to approve a settlement agreement and to dismiss the case. The Secretary vacated Citation No. 3307355 for insufficient evidence. A reduction in penalty from \$212 to \$135 was proposed. I have considered the representations and documentation submitted in this case, and I conclude that the proffered settlement is appropriate under the criteria set forth in Section 110(i) of the Act.

WHEREFORE, the motion for approval of settlement is GRANTED, and it is ORDERED that Respondent pay a penalty of \$135 within 30 days of this order.

Gary Melick Administrative Law Judge