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FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION

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SECRETARY OF LABOR, : CIVIL PENALTY PROCEEDING

MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH

ADMINISTRATION (MSHA), : Docket No. KENT 93-376

Petitioner : A.C. No. 15-09568-03607

v.

: Stone Mine No. 2

BELL COUNTY COAL CORPORATION, :

Respondent :

DECISION APPROVING SETTLEMENT

Appearances: Thomas A. Grooms, Esquire, Office of the

Solicitor, U.S. Department of Labor, Nashville,

Tennessee, for Petitioner;

Gary G. Thompson, Safety Coordinator, Bell County

Coal Corporation, Middlesboro, Kentucky, for

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 hearing, Petitioner filed a motion to approve a settlement agreement and to dismiss the case. Respondent has agreed to pay the proposed penalty of \$1,400 in full. 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 a approval of settlement is GRANTED and it is ORDERED that Respondent pay a penalty of \$1,400 within 30 days of this order.

Gary Melick Administrative Law Judge

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