CCASE: SOL (MSHA) V. ASH TRUCKING COMPANY DDATE: 19930915 TTEXT: FEDERAL MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH REVIEW COMMISSION

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DECISION

Appearances: Donna E. Sonner, Esquire, Office of the Solicitor, U.S. Department of Labor, Nashville, Tennessee, for Petitioner; Rodney E. Buttermore, Jr., Esquire, Buttermore, Turner, Lawson and Boggs, Harlan, 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. A reduction in penalty from \$16,800 to \$12,200 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 \$12,200 in three equal installments -- the first installment due 90 days from the date of this order and the remaining installments 30 days and 60 days thereafter.

> Gary Melick Administrative Law Judge

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