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SECRETARY OF LABOR, : CIVIL PENALTY PROCEEDING

MINE SAFETY AND HEALTH :

ADMINISTRATION (MSHA), : Docket No. WEVA 94-80

Petitioner : A.C. No. 46-08122-03502 NFZ

V.

: Mine: Murphy No. 1 Prep Plant

FIELDING HYDROSEEDING, :

Respondent :

DECISION APPROVING SETTLEMENT

Before: Judge Amchan

This case is before me upon petition for assessment of civil penalty under section 105(d) of the Federal Mine Safety and Health Act of 1977, 30 U.S.C. '801 et seq. The Secretary of Labor has filed a motion to approve a settlement agreement. The terms of the settlement are that the total proposed penalties are reduced from \$6,000 to \$5,000. Petitioner represents that Respondent has agreed to pay this amount in an installment payment plan specified in the settlement agreement.

I have considered the representations and documentation submitted and I conclude that the proffered settlement is consistent with the criteria in section 110(i) of the Act.

ORDER

WHEREFORE IT IS ORDERED that the motion for approval of settlement is **GRANTED** and Respondent shall pay the approved penalties in accordance with the terms of the settlement agreement. Upon such payment this case is **DISMISSED**.

Arthur J. Amchan Administrative Law Judge

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