

BRB Nos. 03-680, 04-132
and 04-173
Case No. 01-LHC-2396
OWCP No. 03-0027603

JAMES DONAHUE)	
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Claimant-Respondent)	DATE ISSUED: <u>11/25/03</u>
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v.)	
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NOVOLOG BUCKS COUNTY)	
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Employer-Petitioner)	ORDER

By motion dated November 7, 2003, employer requested that its appeals in the above captioned cases be withdrawn and remanded to the district director for approval of a settlement.

Section 8(i)(1), of the Longshore and Harbor Workers' Compensation Act, 33 U.S.C. §908(i)(1), provides for the approval of such settlements by the district director. Accordingly, consistent with this Section, the Board grants the motion, dismisses employer's appeals, and remands these cases to the Office of the District Director for further appropriate action.

In the event the proposed settlement is not approved and the petitioner wishes review of the merits of the appeals, the Board will reinstate the appeals at the request of the petitioner. 33 U.S.C. §921(b)(4), 20 C.F.R. §802.405(a).

ROY P. SMITH
Administrative Appeals Judge

REGINA C. McGRANERY
Administrative Appeals Judge

BETTY JEAN HALL
Administrative Appeals Judge