COMMISSIONER OF LABOR FOR THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA,

MCGEE BROTHERS COMPANY, INC.

COMPLAINANT,

v.

OSHANCNO. 2003-4218 OSHA INSPECTION NO. 305746497 CSHO ID NO. K0050

ORDER

RESPONDENT.

and its successors,

THIS MATTER came on for Hearing before the Undersigned at 10:00 a.m. on June 18, 2003, Guilford County Courthouse, Courtroom 3D - Third Floor, 201 South Eugene Street, Greensboro, North Carolina. Complainant was represented by Jane Gilchrist, Assistant Attorney General, North Carolina Department of Labor. Respondent was represented by Don R. McGee, Vice President, McGee Brothers Company, Inc..

Following a pre-hearing conference Complainant made the following Motion : Dismiss Citation 1 Item (d); and reclassify Citation 1 Item (b) and (c) as non-serious without penalty. Respondent had no objection to the Motion and the Motion is GRANTED.

Respondent made a Motion to Withdraw its Notice of Contest to the Citation As Amended, stating that it was making its Motion without acknowledging liability but for the purpose of resolving the matter without the necessity of further litigation.

Respondent and Complainant agreed during the pre-hearing conference that the facts and circumstances with respect to Citation 1 Item (b) and (c) are unique in that: (1) both employees involved in the incident had received training from Respondent but had only approximately 1 year's work experience; (2) the employees were assigned a specific short-term task using a basket-pallet and forklift; and (3) the employees were informed that after completing the task they would be allowed to take a break from work. Complainant and Respondent agree that this Citation shall be used as the basis for a repeat citation only if the new violation involves the same facts and circumstances as stated above.

Complainant did not object to Respondent's Motion, and Respondent's Motion is GRANTED.

This the 18th day of June, 2003.

R. Joyce Garrett, Hearing Examine

