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Issue Date: 20 November 2008

Case No.: 2008-SOX-66

In the Matter of:

Richard D. Melton,
Complainant

v.

Southern Union Company,
Respondent

ORDER OF DISMISSAL

This proceeding arises under the employee protection provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 and the procedural regulations found at 29 C.F.R. Part 18. The U.S. Department of Labor issued the Secretary's Findings on a complaint filed by Richard D. Melton, who requested a hearing on these findings. A hearing was scheduled for December 9 through December 11, 2008, in Houston, Texas.

On November 19, 2008, Ms. Miranda Tolar, Esq., counsel for the Respondent, submitted an Agreed Motion to Dismiss With Prejudice, signed by the Claimant and counsel for the Respondent. In the motion, the parties represented that they had settled all claims and disputes, and requested that the claims filed in this matter be dismissed with prejudice. The parties have agreed to bear their own attorneys' fees, costs, and other expenses incurred.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the parties' request is granted, and this matter is hereby dismissed with prejudice.

SO ORDERED.

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LINDA S. CHAPMAN
Administrative Law Judge