



INTERIOR BOARD OF INDIAN APPEALS

Jicarilla Apache Tribe v. Deputy Assistant Secretary -  
Indian Affairs (Operations), et al.

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| JICARILLA APACHE TRIBE,      | : | Order Dismissing Appeal |
| Appellant                    | : |                         |
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| v.                           | : |                         |
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| DEPUTY ASSISTANT SECRETARY-- | : |                         |
| INDIAN AFFAIRS (OPERATIONS), | : | Docket No. IBIA 84-3-A  |
| EPX COMPANY, EL PASO         | : |                         |
| EXPLORATION COMPANY,         | : |                         |
| ENTERPRISE GAS COMPANY and   | : |                         |
| DAVE M. THOMAS,              | : |                         |
| Appellees                    | : | May 9, 1986             |

On October 26, 1983, the Board of Indian Appeals (Board) received a notice of appeal and brief from the Jicarilla Apache Tribe (appellant). Appellant sought review of an August 15, 1983 decision issued by the Deputy Assistant Secretary--Indian Affairs (Operations) (appellee). Appellee's decision reversed a January 14, 1983 decision of the Albuquerque Area Director concerning a Joint Exploration and Development Agreement between appellant and Odessa Natural Corporation/Dave M. Thomas, Jr.

Appellees requested and were granted several extensions of time for the filing of their answer briefs in order that the parties might pursue settlement negotiations. By order dated August 24, 1984, the Board formally stayed further proceedings before it pending the completion of the negotiations. On April 22, 1986, the Board received a statement from the parties that they had reached a settlement. A copy of the settlement agreement was obtained from appellee Deputy Assistant Secretary on May 1, 1986.

Therefore, pursuant to the authority delegated to the Board of Indian Appeals by the Secretary of the Interior, 43 CFR 4.1, this case is dismissed.

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Jerry Muskrat  
Administrative Judge

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Franklin D. Arness  
Alternate Member