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# **DECISION OF THE BOARD OF CONTRACT APPEALS**

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September 10, 2002

## Before POLLACK, VERGILIO, and WESTBROOK, Administrative Judges.

## **Opinion for the Board by Administrative Judge VERGILIO.**

On December 17, 2000, the Board received this appeal filed by Georgia Forestry Services, Inc., of Gray, Georgia (purchaser). The respondent is the U. S. Department of Agriculture, Forest Service (Government). The purchaser on the Compartments 107, 114, 115 Timber Sale contract, No. 017672, in the Oconee Ranger District of the Oconee National Forest, Georgia, seeks to recover \$386,071.39, said to represent damages (lost net income to the purchaser and lost net income to a subcontract logger) resulting from the improper suspension of its contract. The contracting officer had denied the claim in its entirety.

The Board has jurisdiction over this timely-filed appeal pursuant to the Contract Disputes Act of 1978 (CDA), 41 U.S.C. ' 601-613, as amended.

On September 6, 2002, the Board received a letter from the Government indicating that the parties have settled the dispute. As further detailed during a telephone conference of the Board and parties on September 9, the parties agree to a stipulated judgment, which entails full and final settlement of this dispute. The Government offers, and the purchaser accepts, \$187,500. No separate amount will

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be sought for interest under the CDA or for legal fees under the Equal Access to Justice Act (EAJA). Neither party will appeal this Board=s decision which is final.

#### DECISION

In accordance with the settlement and stipulated judgment, the Board awards the purchaser \$187,500. The agency may pay the amount utilizing the judgment fund, with the agency thereafter reimbursing the fund. 41 U.S.C. ' 612.

JOSEPH A. VERGILIO Administrative Judge

Concurring:

HOWARD A. POLLACK Administrative Judge ANNE W. WESTBROOK Administrative Judge

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