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OPINION BY ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE JOSEPH A. VERGILIO

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Regarding the construction and inspection of the Federal Building, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, disputes existed between the General Services Administration (GSA) and two of its contractors, Glover Smith Bode, Inc. (Contract No. GS-07P-89-HUC-0066) and Buckner and Moore, Inc. (Contract No. GS-07P-89-HUC-0096). These three parties opted to attempt to resolve these matters, prior to the contracting officer issuing decisions, through the use of an alternative dispute resolution (ADR) technique--non-binding mediation with the Board.¹

In Fort Worth, Texas, on December 21-22, 1998, the Board engaged in mediation with the parties and other pertinent participants. Without further input from the Board, the Government and parties entered into a settlement agreement on August 4, 1999, and signed a mutual release. By letter dated September 24, 1999, the Government informed the Board of the agreement and release, and noted that the Board can close the matter.

DECISION

The Board closes this ADR matter.

JOSEPH A. VERGILIO
Administrative Judge

Issued at Washington, D.C. September 29, 1999

This mediation matter was initially filed and docketed at the General Services Administration Board of Contract Appeals (GSBCA), GSBCA 14414-ADR. When the presiding judge changed jobs from the GSBCA to this Board, the parties requested a dismissal at the GSBCA, and filed the matter at this Board, with the request that the matter be docketed with the same presiding judge. The requests were granted.