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Issue Date: 15 August 2008

Case No.: 2008-SOX-22

In the Matter of

KEVIN MAGUIRE, Complainant,

v.

APPLIED MATERIALS, Respondent

ORDER APPROVING WITHDRAWAL OF OBJECTIONS TO THE SECRETARY'S ORDER AND DISMISSING THE CASE

This matter involves a complaint under the whistleblower protection provisions of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 (the Act)¹ and regulations promulgated pursuant thereto² brought by Kevin Maguire (Complainant) against Applied Materials (Respondent).

Complainant filed his initial complaint with OSHA on 7 Aug 07. The matter was investigated and a determination was issued. On 15 Feb 08, Complainant filed objections and requested a formal hearing.

On 31 Jul 08, the parties jointly filed a Stipulation of Dismissal with Prejudice indicating that the matter had been settled. 29 CFR 1980.111 provides that a copy of a settlement must be filed with the administrative law judge for approval. The parties chose not to submit a settlement and filed a Joint Motion to Withdraw Stipulation. Complainant then filed an unopposed unconditional Motion to Withdraw his objections to and request for a hearing on the Secretary's Determination and findings in this matter.

¹ 18 U.S.C. § 1514A et. seq.

² 29 C.F.R. Part 1980.

Accordingly, the Joint Motion to Withdraw Stipulation is **GRANTED**, Complainant's Motion to Withdraw Objections is **GRANTED**, and the case is hereby **DISMISSED** with prejudice.³

So ORDERED.

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PATRICK M. ROSENOW Administrative Law Judge

NOTICE OF APPEAL RIGHTS: To appeal, you must file a Petition for Review ("Petition") with the Administrative Review Board ("Board") within ten (10) business days of the date of the administrative law judge's decision. *See* 29 C.F.R. § 1980.110(a). The Board's address is: Administrative Review Board, U.S. Department of Labor, Suite S-5220, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210. Your Petition is considered filed on the date of its postmark, facsimile transmittal, or e-mail communication; but if you file it in person, by hand-delivery or other means, it is filed when the Board receives it. *See* 29 C.F.R. § 1980.110(c). Your Petition must specifically identify the findings, conclusions or orders to which you object. Generally, you waive any objections you do not raise specifically. *See* 29 C.F.R. § 1980.110(a).

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³ Cf <u>Concone v. Capital One Financial Corp.</u>, ARB No. 05-038, ALJ No. 2005-SOX-6 (ARB May 13, 2005).