



**Issue Date: 24 June 2005**

CASE NO.: 2005-PSI-00001

*In the Matter of*

**RONALD D. MILLER,**  
Complainant,

v.

**ALYESKA PIPELINE SERVICE COMPANY,**  
Respondent,

**ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT**

This case arises out of a complaint of discrimination filed pursuant to the employee protection provisions of section 6 of the Pipeline Safety Improvement Act of 2002, 49 USC 60129; 29 CFR Part 1981 ("the Act"). The Act affords protection from employment discrimination by a person owning or operating a pipeline facility or a contractor or subcontractor of such person because the employee has engaged in protected activity pertaining to a violation or alleged violation of any order, regulation, or standard under chapter 601, subtitle VIII of Title 49 of the United States Code or any other provision of Federal law relating to pipeline safety.

On June 22, 2005, the parties submitted a proposed agreement (the "Agreement") that would settle the case in its entirety. Accompanying the Agreement was a Joint Motion for Approval of Settlement requesting my approval of the Agreement (the Joint Motion).

The Agreement does not appear to be either inadequate or the result of duress.

For good cause shown:

**IT IS ORDERED** that the Joint Motion is **GRANTED**.

**IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that the fully executed settlement agreement submitted by the parties on June 22, 2005, is **APPROVED**. The formal hearing of this case scheduled to commence on or after July 27, 2005 in Anchorage, Alaska is hereby **CANCELLED**.

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Gerald M. Etchingham  
Administrative Law Judge

*San Francisco, California*

