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**Subject:** Baker/HQ decision on RI ARB requests to defer to DOL

Ed Baker got back to me this afternoon on the HQ decisions. He will formalize the decisions in a memo to Region I.

For the Beaver Valley file (RI-98-A-0121), they agreed that we can close. Ed added that since this involves a DOL finding (settlement) that was not appealed, that we were not really making a decision to defer, but a decision as to whether we had sufficient information to close. I still don't see the difference, but there's no point in arguing.

For the Salem file (RI-98-A-0102), they would not agree to the deferral, since there have been two findings of H&I within the past 24 months.

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