March 22, 2017

CBCA 5634-RELO

In the Matter of DAVID A. MUNSELL

David A. Munsell, Olympia, WA, Claimant.

Robin L. Kelley, Financial Administrative Services, Department of Agriculture, Tolland, CT, appearing for the Department of Agriculture.

SHERIDAN, Board Judge.

This claim involved the Department of Agriculture, Natural Resources Conservation Service's (NRCS's) refusal to compensate claimant, David A. Munsell, for expenses associated with moving his household goods [HHG] from Santa Fe, NM to Spokane, WA.

On March 15, 2017, the Civilian Board of Contract Appeals (CBCA) received a letter from NRCS stating that "the agency has determined that since the extension was authorized by an employee with the authority to grant such an extension at the time, the agency will move forward with coordinating with the employee regarding the shipment of his HHGs to Spokane, WA." The agency noted that "[p]ayment of the shipment of his HHGs will be made in accordance with FTR [Federal Travel Regulation] 302-2.5, and the portion paid by NRCS will be limited to the amount it would cost to ship the HHGs from Spokane, WA to Olympia, WA.

Based on NRCS's position, the matter that brought claimant to the CBCA is moot pending appropriate action by the agency on the shipment of HHG. In the event the parties are not able to successfully resolve the issue of HHG shipment expenses, claimant may resubmit its claim to the Civilian Board of Contract Appeals.

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Claimant was contacted and agreed that this matter should be dismissed. Accordingly, this matter is dismissed.

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Board Judge