REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

871 IAC 26.8(1) provides:

(1) An appeal may be withdrawn at any time prior to the issuance of a decision upon the request of the appellant and with the approval of the presiding officer to whom the case is assigned. Requests for withdrawal may be made in writing or orally, provided the oral request is tape-recorded by the presiding officer.

The administrative law judge has reviewed the records and files herein and concludes that the request of the appealing party to withdraw the appeal should be approved.

DECISION:

The decision of the representative dated August 31, 2005, reference 02, is affirmed. The request of the appealing party to withdraw the appeal is approved, and the decision of the representative shall stand and remain in full force and effect.

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