GANGMARTURS LICENSING

IN THE MATTER OF AN APPEAL PURSUANT TO REGULATION 6 OF THE GANGMASTERS (APPEALS) REGULATIONS 2006

BETWEEN:

CHIEF San P. Limited

Bizzy B Limited

-and-

Case No: 62/E/R

EMPLOYMENT TRIBUNALS

RECEIVED ON

-3 APR 2013

MANCHESTER

Appellant

THE GANGMASTERS LICENCING AUTHORITY

Respondent

HELD AT Birmingham

ON 28 March 2013

APPOINTED PERSON: K.J.G. TUCKER

DECISION

The appeal by Bizzy B Limited is dismissed on withdrawal by the Appellant.

REASONS

- 1. I was appointed to consider this appeal pursuant to reg. 3 of the Gangmasters (Appeals) Regulations 2006, (SI-2006 No.662), ("the Gangmasters Appeals Regulations"). This document records the summary reasons pursuant to reg. 22 of the Gangmasters Appeals Regulations.
- 2. The appeal was against a decision not to grant the Appellant a licence pursuant to the Gangmasters (Licensing) Act 2004. The Appellant appealed on 30 July 2012. At that point in time the Appellant was represented by solicitors, Fraser Dawbarns LLP. Directions were issued regarding the appeal in November 2012.
- 3. The Respondent was then informed that the Appellant's solicitors were without instruction and, as confirmed in a letter dated 21 January 2013, they ceased to act for the Appellant. That letter also stated that post had been returned from the Appellant un-delivered and stating "Addressee Gone Away".
- 4. Enquiries were made directly with the Appellant thereafter but to no avail. Neither the Tribunal nor the GLA have had any contact from the Appellant.
- 5. I have had regard to the Gangmasters Appeals Regulations. Regulation 8(3) states that an Appellant may withdraw an appeal at any time before it is determined. I consider that, by its inaction and failure to progress the appeal, the Appellant has withdrawn its appeal. Accordingly I have dismissed the appeal. I consider that this decision is in accordance with the over-riding

objective and in particular the need to deal with the appeal justly so far as practicable ensuring that it is dealt with expeditiously and fairly.

6. I consider that it is regrettable that the Gangmasters Appeals Regulations do not contain an express power to dismiss an appeal when it is not actively pursued.

Signed by Catherine Realler on 28 March 201

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28 March 2013