UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT MIDDLE DISTRICT OF FLORIDA FORT MYERS DIVISION

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Plaintiffs,

v.

Case No: 2:14-cv-161-FtM-29CM

P & L HARVESTING, LLC,

Defendant.

OPINION AND ORDER

This matter is before the Court on consideration of the Magistrate Judge's Report and Recommendation (Doc. #47), filed July 13, 2015, recommending that the Joint Amended Motion for Approval of Amended Settlement Agreement and Release and for Dismissal With Prejudice (Doc. #46) be granted, the request to retain jurisdiction be denied, and the case be dismissed with prejudice. No objections have been filed and the time to do so has expired.

After conducting a careful and complete review of the findings and recommendations, a district judge may accept, reject or modify the magistrate judge's report and recommendation. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1); <u>Williams v. Wainwright</u>, 681 F.2d 732 (11th Cir. 1982), <u>cert. denied</u>, 459 U.S. 1112 (1983). In the absence of specific objections, there is no requirement that a district judge review factual findings *de novo*, <u>Garvey v. Vaughn</u>, 993 F.2d 776, 779 n.9 (11th Cir. 1993), and the court may accept, reject or modify, in whole or in part, the findings and recommendations. 28 U.S.C. § 636(b)(1)(C). The district judge reviews legal conclusions *de novo*, even in the absence of an objection. <u>See Cooper-Houston v.</u> <u>Southern Ry. Co.</u>, 37 F.3d 603, 604 (11th Cir. 1994); <u>Castro</u> <u>Bobadilla v. Reno</u>, 826 F. Supp. 1428, 1431-32 (S.D. Fla. 1993), aff'd, 28 F.3d 116 (11th Cir. 1994) (Table).

After conducting an independent examination of the file and upon due consideration of the Report and Recommendation, the Court

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accepts the Report and Recommendation of the magistrate judge that the settlement was a fair and reasonable resolution of a bona fide dispute under the Fair Labor Standards Act. The Court further agrees that the undersigned need not retain jurisdiction over the enforcement of the Amended Settlement Agreement and Release of Claims.

Accordingly, it is now

ORDERED:

1. The Report and Recommendation (Doc. #47) is hereby **adopted** and the findings **incorporated** herein.

2. The parties' Joint Amended Motion for Approval of Amended Settlement Agreement and Release and for Dismissal With Prejudice (Doc. #46) is **granted**, with the exception of the request on page 3 for the Court to retain jurisdiction, and the Amended Settlement Agreement and Release of Claims (Doc. #46, p. 9) is approved as a fair and reasonable resolution of a bona fide dispute.

3. The Clerk shall enter judgment **dismissing** the case with prejudice, terminate all deadlines and motions, and close the file.

DONE and ORDERED at Fort Myers, Florida, this <u>3rd</u> day of August, 2015.

SENIOR UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Copies: Hon. Carol Mirando United States Magistrate Judge

Counsel of Record Unrepresented parties