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Settlement Reached in Field Renovation Project

The Eastchester Union Free School District has settled its lawsuit against Dirtman Enterprises and Anthony Adinolfi, with whom the District had contracted to supply clean fill and perform other work in connection with the construction of athletic fields for the District.

The District agreed to settle for a payment of \$600,000 to be made by Dirtman Enterprises' insurers. The District brought the action in New York State Supreme Court in White Plains, alleging Dirtman had violated his contract with the District by bringing construction and demolition material onto the project site.

The settlement brings the case to an end and avoids the need for it to be brought to trial. Speaking on behalf of the Eastchester Board of Education, President Michelle Simon Kissel said, "The Board is very pleased with the settlement. We are gratified that we have been able to bring this matter to a close and obtain significant financial recovery for the community."

The athletic fields were completed in compliance with recommendations from the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC). Ecosystems Strategies, Inc., an independent consulting firm that has worked closely with the DEC, has concluded that all of the Eastchester Schools athletic fields are safe for all users and do not pose any threat to health or the environment.