

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

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In the Matter of HEINZ HERZIG and DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY,  
NAVAL SHIPYARD, Long Beach, Calif.

*Docket No. 96-1870; Submitted on the Record;  
Issued April 28, 1998*

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DECISION and ORDER

Before GEORGE E. RIVERS, DAVID S. GERSON,  
A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant met his burden of proof in establishing that his progressive loss of hearing was causally related to noise exposure at work.

The Board has given careful consideration to the issue involved, the contentions of appellant on appeal, and the entire case record. The Board finds that the May 26, 1995 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and therefore adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.

The decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated May 26, 1995 is affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C.  
April 28, 1998

George E. Rivers  
Member

David S. Gerson  
Member

A. Peter Kanjorski  
Alternate Member