

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of JERRY L. HAWKINS and DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY,
CORPS OF ENGINEERS, Vicksburg, Miss.

*Docket No. 97-767; Submitted on the Record;
Issued September 22, 1998*

DECISION and ORDER

Before WILLIE T.C. THOMAS, BRADLEY T. KNOTT,
A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant had any disability after November 29, 1994, causally related to his August 31, 1994 employment-related lumbar strain injury.

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 September 13, 1996 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative is in accordance with the facts and law in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.

Accordingly, the decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated September 13, 1996 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C.
September 22, 1998

Willie T.C. Thomas
Alternate Member

Bradley T. Knott
Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski
Alternate Member