U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of TIM S. BUNS <u>and</u> DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY, BUREAU OF ALCOHOL, TOBACCO & FIREARMS, Seattle, WA

Docket No. 98-477; Submitted on the Record; Issued August 12, 1999

DECISION and **ORDER**

Before MICHAEL J. WALSH, WILLIE T.C. THOMAS, BRADLEY T. KNOTT

The issue is whether appellant has met his burden of proof in establishing that he sustained a myocardial infarction due to factors of his federal employment.

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 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative, dated and finalized October 17, 1997, is in accordance with the facts and the law in the case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.

The October 17, 1997 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs is affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C. August 12, 1999

> Michael J. Walsh Chairman

Willie T.C. Thomas Alternate Member

Bradley T. Knott Alternate Member