U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

In the Matter of NANCY TUCKER <u>and</u> U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, GENERAL MAIL FACILITY, Los Angeles, CA

Docket No. 98-702; Submitted on the Record; Issued December 21, 1999

DECISION and **ORDER**

Before GEORGE E. RIVERS, WILLIE T.C. THOMAS, BRADLEY T. KNOTT

The issue is whether appellant has met her burden of proof in establishing that she sustained a recurrence of disability commencing March 1, 1995 that was causally related to her accepted December 30, 1992 employment injuries.

The Board has given careful consideration to the issue involved, the contentions of the parties on appeal and the entire case record. The Board finds that the November 17, 1997 decision of the hearing representative of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, finalized on that date, is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.¹

The decisions of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated November 17 and January 6, 1997 are hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C. December 21, 1999

> George E. Rivers Member

Willie T.C. Thomas Alternate Member

Bradley T. Knott Alternate Member

¹ See Robert S. Winchester, 45 ECAB 135 (1993).