

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

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In the Matter of VINCENT MARCHESE and DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY,  
PHILADELPHIA NAVAL SHIPYARD, Philadelphia, Pa.

*Docket No. 96-1702; Submitted on the Record;  
Issued May 21, 1998*

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DECISION and ORDER

Before MICHAEL J. WALSH, GEORGE E. RIVERS,  
DAVID S. GERSON

The issue is whether the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs met its burden of proof in terminating appellant's compensation benefits as of April 30, 1995.

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 hearing representative of the Office dated February 14, 1996 is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the Office hearing representative.

The February 14, 1996 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C.  
May 21, 1998

Michael J. Walsh  
Chairman

George E. Rivers  
Member

David S. Gerson  
Member