

U. S. DEPARTMENT OF LABOR

Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

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In the Matter of VIRGIL F. CROSS and DEPARTMENT OF THE NAVY,  
CHARLESTON NAVAL SHIPYARD, Charleston, SC

*Docket No. 98-699; Submitted on the Record;  
Issued December 15, 1999*

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DECISION and ORDER

Before GEORGE E. RIVERS, MICHAEL E. GROOM,  
A. PETER KANJORSKI

The issue is whether appellant sustained a hearing loss causally related to factors of his employment.

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 October 6, 1997 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs' hearing representative is in accordance with the facts and the law in this case and hereby adopts the findings and conclusions of the hearing representative.

The decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs dated October 6, 1997 is hereby affirmed.

Dated, Washington, D.C.  
December 15, 1999

George E. Rivers  
Member

Michael E. Groom  
Alternate Member

A. Peter Kanjorski

Alternate Member