



March 3 and 17, 2010 reports from OWCP's medical adviser. The case record, however, does not contain the reports of Dr. Tecschan or the medical adviser. As discussed, on March 29, 2010 OWCP indicated that it had referred all three file numbers to its medical adviser for review. It thus appears that Dr. Tecschan's reports and the opinions of the medical adviser were associated with another file number. The absence of this evidence precludes the Board from properly reviewing OWCP's schedule award determination as it relied upon evidence from other file numbers in reaching its conclusions.

As the case record submitted to the Board would not permit an informed adjudication of the case, the Board finds that the case is not in posture for decision and must be remanded to OWCP. On remand, OWCP should combine the present case record, file number xxxxxx568, with the case records for file numbers xxxxxx089 and xxxxxx676.<sup>1</sup> Following this and any further necessary development, OWCP shall issue a *de novo* decision.

**IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT** the November 10 and August 18, 2010 decisions of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs are set aside and the case is remanded for further proceedings consistent with this order of the Board.

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Richard J. Daschbach, Chief Judge  
Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

Alec J. Koromilas, Judge  
Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

Colleen Duffy Kiko, Judge  
Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

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<sup>1</sup> See Federal (FECA) Procedure Manual, Part 2 -- Claims, *File Maintenance and Management*, Chapter 2.400.9 (February 2000).