United States Department of Labor Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

R.G., Appellant)
and) Docket No. 22-0435) Issued: June 28, 202
U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, VEHICLE MAINTANCE FACILITY, Brooklyn, NY, Employer) 155ded. 3dife 26, 202
Appearances: Appellant, pro se Office of Solicitor, for the Director	Case Submitted on the Record

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

Before:

JANICE B. ASKIN, Judge

VALERIE D. EVANS-HARRELL, Alternate Judge

JAMES D. McGINLEY, Alternate Judge

On January 28, 2022 appellant sought appeal from a purported August 31, 2021 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP). The Clerk of the Appellate Board assigned Docket No. 22-0435.

The Board, having duly considered this matter, notes that the Board has jurisdiction to review final adverse decisions of OWCP issued under the Federal Employee's Compensation Act.¹ This jurisdiction encompasses any final decision issued by OWCP within 180 days of the date appellant filed his appeal.² Although the case record does contain a letter from OWCP dated August 31, 2021, it is informational in nature. Thus, it does not constitute a final adverse OWCP decision.³ As there is no final adverse decision issued by OWCP over which the Board may

¹ 5 U.S.C. § 8101 et seq; 20 C.F.R. §§ 501.2(c) and 501.3(a).

² 20 C.F.R. § 501.3(e) provides in pertinent part: "Any notice of appeal must be filed within 180 days from the date of issuance of a decision of the OWCP."

³ See Order Dismissing Appeal, K.S., Docket No. 20-1401 (issued March 17, 2021); Order Dismissing Appeal, S.U., Docket No. 20-0636 (issued December 3, 2020) (correspondence that is purely informational in nature does not constitute a final adverse decision of OWCP from which appellant may properly appeal). *Id.* at §§ 501.2(c) and 501.3(a).

properly exercise jurisdiction, the Board concludes that the appeal assigned Docket No. 22-0435 must be dismissed. Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the appeal docketed as No. 22-0435 is dismissed.⁴

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> Janice B. Askin, Judge Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

> Valerie D. Evans-Harrell, Alternate Judge Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

> James D. McGinley, Alternate Judge Employees' Compensation Appeals Board

⁴ The Board's decisions and orders are "final upon the expiration of 30 days from the date of their issuance." *Id.* at § 501.6(d).