

**United States Department of Labor
Employees' Compensation Appeals Board**

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| <p>M.M., Appellant) and) U.S. POSTAL SERVICE, MORGAN) PROCESSING & DISTRIBUTION CENTER,) New York, NY, Employer))</p> | Docket No. 25-0665 Issued: July 17, 2025 |
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Appearances:
Appellant, pro se
Office of Solicitor, for the Director

Case Submitted on the Record

ORDER DISMISSING APPEAL

Before:
ALEC J. KOROMILAS, Chief Judge
JANICE B. ASKIN, Judge
VALERIE D. EVANS-HARRELL, Alternate Judge

On June 27, 2025 appellant sought appeal from a purported June 13, 2025 decision of the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs (OWCP). The Clerk of the Appellate Boards assigned the appeal Docket No. 25-0665.

The Board, having duly considered the matter, notes that its jurisdiction is limited to the review of final adverse OWCP decisions issued under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act.¹ This jurisdiction encompasses any final decision issued by OWCP within 180 days of the date appellant filed this appeal.² Although the case record does contain a letter dated June 13, 2025, which included appeal rights, it was purely informational in nature, as it was a follow-up development letter advising appellant that she had 60 days to submit additional evidence. This follow-up development letter did not constitute a final adverse OWCP decision from which appellant may properly appeal.³ Because there is no final adverse OWCP decision over which the

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, J.G.*, Docket No. 22-0657 (issued April 19, 2023); *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).

Board may properly exercise jurisdiction, the Board concludes that the appeal docketed as No. 25-0665 must be dismissed.⁴ Accordingly,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT the appeal docketed as No. 25-0665 is dismissed.

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Washington, DC

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⁴ The Board's decisions and orders are "final upon the expiration of 30 days from the date of their issuance." 20 C.F.R. § 501.6(d).