

IN THE MATTER OF THE
SELF-INSURANCE PRIVILEGE
FOR CANNON EXPRESS CORPORATION

CANNON EXPRESS CORPORATION

PETITIONER

ORDER FILED MARCH 9, 2004

Review by the FULL COMMISSION in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Petitioner represented by the Honorable James F. Dowden,
Attorney-at-Law. Little Rock, Arkansas.

Self-Insurance Division represented by the Honorable Dan Honey,
General Counsel, Arkansas Workers' Compensation Commission.

ORDER

The Arkansas Workers' Compensation Commission hereby authorizes Risk Management Resources to serve as the claims administrator for all workers' compensation claims pending against Cannon Express. See ACA § 11-9-207, 404-406 of the Workers' Compensation Act and Rule 5, Part I, (B), (E), (F) of the Rules of the Arkansas Workers' Compensation Commission.

In our Order dated January 14, 2004, we found, *inter alia*, that Cannon Express was unwilling or unable to pay all of these claims. Because of the revocation of the self-insured authorization of Cannon Express, which will occur on March 15, 2004, it is necessary to transfer the decision making authority regarding the payment of the claims incurred by Cannon Express while it was self-insured to Risk Management Resources. This is designed to facilitate the prompt and efficient payment of claims incurred before the conversion by Cannon Express to an insured

employer.

In order to ensure the proper payment of these claims, Risk Management Resources shall have the authority to pay these claims from the security deposit held by the Commission, until it is exhausted. Payment therefrom shall occur in the following order: (1) all claims with a date of injury from January 8, 2004 through March 15, 2004; (2) indemnity claims with dates of injury prior to January 8, 2004; (3) medical claims with dates of injury prior to January 8, 2004.

By authority of this Order, Risk Management Resources shall stand in the place of the revoked self-insured employer, Cannon Express, until the security deposit funds are exhausted.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

OLAN W. REEVES, Chairman

SHELBY W. TURNER, Commissioner

KAREN H. MCKINNEY, Commissioner