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BEFORE THE ARKANSAS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

CLAIM NO. F206159

RONALD L. STANDRIDGE, EMPLOYEE CLAIMANT

TYSON FOODS, INC., A SELF-INSURED EMPLOYER RESPONDENT

OPINION FILED MAY 14, 2004

Upon review before the FULL COMMISSION, Little Rock, Pulaski County, Arkansas.

Claimant, RONALD L. STANDRIDGE, presented pro se.

Respondent represented by HONORABLE MELISA G. YOPP, Attorney at Law, Springdale, Arkansas.

Decision of Administrative Law Judge: Affirmed and Adopted.

OPINION AND ORDER

The claimant appeals from a decision of the Administrative Law Judge filed December 10, 2003.

The Administrative Law Judge entered the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

1. The stipulations agreed to by the parties at the pre-hearing conference conducted on August 20, 2003, and contained in a pre-hearing order filed August 21, 2003, are hereby accepted as fact.

2. Claimant has failed to prove by a preponderance of the evidence that he suffered a compensable injury to his cervical spine while employed by respondent.

3. Claimant has failed to prove by a preponderance of the evidence that he is entitled to additional temporary total disability benefits or additional medical treatment for his compensable bilateral carpal tunnel syndrome.

We have carefully conducted a de novo review of the entire record herein and it is our opinion that the Administrative Law Judge's decision is supported by a preponderance of the credible evidence, correctly applies the law, and should be affirmed. Specifically, we find from a preponderance of the evidence that the findings of fact made by the Administrative Law Judge are correct and they are, therefore, adopted by the Full Commission.

Thus, we affirm and adopt the decision of the Administrative Law Judge, including all findings and conclusions therein, as the decision of the Full Commission on appeal.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

OLAN W. REEVES, Chairman

KAREN H. MCKINNEY, Commissioner

Commissioner Turner dissents.