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BEFORE THE ARKANSAS WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION

CLAIM NO. F203572

VIRGINA MADEWELL, EMPLOYEE	CLAIMANT
THE MORNING NEWS, EMPLOYER	RESPONDENT
CHUBB GROUP OF INSURANCE COMPANIES, INSURANCE CARRIER	RESPONDENT

OPINION FILED FEBRUARY 9, 2005

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

Claimant represented by HONORABLE JAY TOLLEY, Attorney at Law, Fayetteville, Arkansas.

Respondent represented by HONORABLE CAROL LOCKARD WORLEY, Attorney at Law, Little Rock, 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 4, 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 July 2, 2003, and contained in an amended pre-hearing order filed August 14, 2003, are hereby accepted as fact.

2. The parties' stipulation that claimant earned an average weekly wage of \$70.30 which would entitle her to compensation at the rate of \$47.00 per week for temporary total disability benefits and permanent partial disability benefits is also hereby accepted as fact.

3. Claimant has failed to prove by a preponderance of the evidence that she suffered a compensable injury to her back while employed by the respondent.

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.

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OLAN W. REEVES, Chairman

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KAREN H. MCKINNEY, Commissioner

Commissioner Turner dissents.