

APPEAL NO. 021099
FILED JUNE 17, 2002

This appeal arises pursuant to the Texas Workers' Compensation Act, TEX. LAB. CODE ANN. § 401.001 *et seq.* (1989 Act). A contested case hearing was held on April 8, 2002. The hearing officer determined that the impairment rating (IR) of appellant (claimant) is 14%, based on the amended report of the designated doctor, Dr. M. Claimant appealed this determination, contending that the hearing officer should have determined that his IR is 22%, based on his treating doctor's report. Respondent (carrier) responded that the Appeals Panel should affirm the hearing officer's decision and order.

DECISION

We affirm.

We have reviewed the complained-of determination and perceive no error. The hearing officer reviewed the record and decided what facts were established. The hearing officer accorded presumptive weight to the designated doctor's amended report and we perceive no error. Texas Workers' Compensation Commission Appeal No. 013025, decided January 28, 2002. Although claimant contends that the designated doctor did not properly apply the Guides to the Evaluation of Permanent Impairment, third edition, second printing, dated February 1989, published by the American Medical Association, the record does not support this contention. We conclude that the hearing officer's determination is not so against the great weight and preponderance of the evidence as to be clearly wrong or manifestly unjust. Cain v. Bain, 709 S.W.2d 175, 176 (Tex. 1986).

We affirm the hearing officer's decision and order.

The true corporate name of the insurance carrier is **CORPORATION SERVICE COMPANY** and the name and address of its registered agent for service of process is

**CORPORATION SERVICE COMPANY
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Judy L. S. Barnes
Appeals Judge

CONCUR:

Daniel R. Barry
Appeals Judge

Thomas A. Knapp
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