

APPEAL NO. 031467
FILED JULY 16, 2003

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 opened on May 6, 2002, and closed on May 10, 2003. The hearing officer determined that the _____, compensable injury of the appellant (claimant) extends to the cervical spine; that the claimant has not had disability after August 14, 2000; and that the claimant reached maximum medical improvement (MMI) on April 17, 2002, with a 13% impairment rating (IR). The claimant appealed the hearing officer's determination that he did not have disability after August 14, 2000. The respondent (carrier) responded, urging affirmance. The hearing officer's determinations regarding extent of injury, MMI, and IR have not been appealed and have become final. Section 410.169.

DECISION

We affirm.

We have reviewed the complained-of determination regarding the claimant's period of disability and conclude that the issue involved a factual question for the hearing officer. The hearing officer reviewed the record and decided what facts were established. We conclude that the hearing officer's determination regarding disability is supported by the record and 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 **TIG PREMIER INSURANCE COMPANY** and the name and address of its registered agent for service of process is

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Judy L. S. Barnes
Appeals Judge

CONCUR:

Elaine M. Chaney
Appeals Judge

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