State Of California DIVISION OF WORKERS' COMPENSATION WORKERS' COMPENSATION APPEALS BOARD

CASE NO. ADJ6526780

NADIA TAN,

Applicant,

FINDING OF FACTS AND ORDER ON PETITION TO RE-OPEN FOR NEW AND FURTHER DISABILITY

V.

TOP PRIORITY COURIER; UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, (one of the Crum & Forster Group of Companies), Administered by CRUM & FORSTER,

Defendants.

LAW OFFICES OF LESTER J. FRIEDMAN, APC

By: Lester J. Friedman Attorneys for Applicant

BRADFORD & BARTHEL, LLP

By: J. Douglas Mestad Attorneys for Defendants

An application having been filed herein; all parties having appeared and the above entitled matter having been heard and regularly submitted, the **Honorable JACQUELINE A. WALKER**, Workers' Compensation Administrative Law Judge ("WCJ"), finds and orders as follows:

ADMITTED FACTS

Nadia Tan, born April 15, 1951, while employed on August 15, 2008, as a Courier, Occupational Group Number 250, at Riverside, California, by Top Priority Courier, sustained injury

arising out of and in the course of employment to her hands, upper extremities, cognitive disorder, head, nose, left hip, left elbow and back.

Applicant received an Award of 99 percent approved on June 12, 2012.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. It is found that Applicant does not have new and further disability.
- 2. It is found that the provisions of Labor Code section 4662 are not applicable.
- 3. Applicant's petition for new and further disability is denied.
- 4. All other issues are moot.
- 5. There are no funds from which to award an attorney fee.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that the applicant take nothing by virtue of her petition for new and further disability.

Dated: 12/16/2014

JACQUELINE A. WALKER

Workers' Compensation Administrative Law Judge

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NADIA TAN

VS.

TOP PRIORITY COURIER UNITED STATES FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY CRUM & FORSTER

Date of Injury:

August 15, 2008

Parts of Body Injured:

Hands, Upper Extremities, Cognitive Disorder, Head, Nose, Left Hip, Left Elbow & Back

Workers' Compensation Administrative Law Judge

Jacqueline A. Walker

OPINION ON DECISION REGARDING PETITION TO REOPEN

PETITION FOR NEW AND FURTHER DISABILITY:

Applicant received an Award of 99 percent which was approved on June 12, 2012. Subsequently a timely Petition for New and Further Disability was filed on behalf of Applicant.

The parties utilized the services of Alan Sanders, M.D., David Freeman, M.D. and Lawrence Richman, M.D. as Agreed Medical Examiners. Dr. Sanders, in his report dated August 15, 2013 and Dr. Richman, in his report dated June 5, 2013 indicates that Applicant's disability/impairment has improved, not worsen.

While Dr. Freeman, in his report dated June 5, 2013 indicates a slight increase in impairment from his prior report, this medical report is not substantial evidence as it does not include a review of the recent reporting of Drs. Sanders and Richman. However, development of the record is not warranted, because even if his report was substantial evidence, in combination with the recent reports of Drs. Sanders and Richman, Applicant's overall disability would still be less than the current Award.

Finally, based upon the medical reporting and the entire record it is found that the provisions of Labor Code section 4662 are not applicable as the record does not support a determination that Applicant has incurable mental incapacity or insanity.

Based upon the medical reporting and the entire record, it is found that there is no new and further disability.

Applicant's Petition for New and Further Disability is denied.

OTHER ISSUES:

All other issues are rendered moot in light of the determination that there is no new and further disability.

Dated: 12/16/14

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JACQUELINE A. WALKER

Workers' Compensation Administrative Law Judge

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