BEFORE THE IOWA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSIONER

RANDALL JOHN MEESTER,

FILED

APR **2 7** 2015

VS.

WORKERS' COMPENSATION

CENTRAL IOWA POWER COOPERATIVE,

File No. 5043346

Employer,

Claimant.

APPEAL

DECISION

and

NATIONAL UNION FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY,

Insurance Carrier, Defendants.

Head Note No.: 1402.30, 1803, 1803.1

Defendants Central Iowa Power Cooperative and National Union Fire Insurance Company appeal from an arbitration decision filed on May 22, 2014. The case was heard on February 18, 2014, and it was considered fully submitted on March 18, 2014, in front of the deputy workers' compensation commissioner. The deputy commissioner determined that claimant proved permanent injuries to his low back and hips in addition to his left upper extremity and his right lower extremity. The deputy commissioner awarded claimant a 30 percent industrial disability. Defendants assert on appeal that the deputy commissioner erred in determining that claimant proved entitlement to industrial disability benefits. Claimant asserts on appeal that the deputy commissioner's award should be upheld. The detailed arguments of the parties have been considered and the record of evidence has been reviewed de novo.

Pursuant to Iowa Code sections 86.24 and 17A.5, I affirm and adopt as the final agency decision those portions of the proposed arbitration decision filed on May 22, 2014, that relate to issues properly raised on intra-agency appeal without additional comment.

ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the arbitration decision of May 22, 2014, is AFFIRMED.

MEESTER V. CENTRAL IOWA POWER COOPERATIVE Page 2

Defendants shall pay the costs of the appeal, including the preparation of the hearing transcript.

Signed and filed this 27+4 day of April, 2015.

JOSEPH S. CORTESE II IOWA WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSIONER

Dough S. Corteset

Copies To:

Matthew J. Petrzelka Attorney at Law 1000 – 42nd St. SE, Ste. A Cedar Rapids, IA 52403 mpetrzelka@petrzelkabreitbach.com

Aaron T. Oliver
Attorney at Law
5th Floor, US Bank Bldg.
520 Walnut St.
Des Moines, IA 50309-4119
aoliver@hmrlawfirm.com