

In the Matter of the Compensation of
JOHN M. SODEN, Claimant
WCB Case No. 11-04447, 11-04252
ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT
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Reviewing Panel: Members Lowell and Weddell.

On July 19, 2012, we issued an order that affirmed an Administrative Law Judge's (ALJ's) order that upheld the insurer's denial of claimant's medical services claim for a bilateral L5-S1 facet injection. Claimant petitioned the court for judicial review of our order. The parties have submitted a proposed "Disputed Claim Settlement" (DCS) designed to resolve all issues raised or raisable between them. Specifically, the agreement is also designed to resolve the parties' dispute pending before the Court of Appeals. We are authorized to consider the parties' DCS. ORS 656.298(9)(a); *Rebecca E. Seelye*, 60 Van Natta 332 (2008).

Pursuant to the settlement, claimant agrees that his claim "shall remain in denied status." The parties further agree that all hearing requests are deemed settled by the agreement.

We have approved the parties' settlement, thereby fully and finally resolving their dispute. Accordingly, this matter is dismissed.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Entered at Salem, Oregon on October 3, 2012