
In the Matter of the Compensation of
RONALD L. LUCAS, Claimant
WCB Case No. 12-02326
ORDER APPROVING SETTLEMENT
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Reviewing Panel: Members Weddell and Lowell.

On August 27, 2013, we issued an order that reversed an Administrative Law Judge's (ALJ's) order that: (1) set aside the insurer's *de facto* denial of claimant's medical services claim for "transient unresponsiveness;" and (2) awarded an attorney fee of \$8,750. Claimant petitioned the court for judicial review of our order. The parties have submitted a proposed "Stipulation" designed to resolve all issues raised or raisable between them, in lieu of all prior orders. Specifically, the agreement is designed to resolve the parties' dispute pending before the Court of Appeals. We are authorized to consider the parties' settlement. ORS 656.298(9)(a); *Rebecca E. Seelye*, 60 Van Natta 332 (2008).

Pursuant to the stipulation, the insurer agrees to pay the disputed medical bill at the "audited rate" and to pay claimant's attorney an assessed fee of \$4,375 for finally prevailing over the insurer's denial of this medical bill. The parties further agree that the hearing request is "dismissed with prejudice."

We have approved the parties' stipulation, thereby fully and finally resolving their dispute, in lieu of all prior orders. Accordingly, this matter is dismissed with prejudice.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

Entered at Salem, Oregon on April 2, 2014