IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT Unemployment Insurance Appeals Section 1000 East Grand—Des Moines, Iowa 50319 DECISION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE 68-0157 (7-97) – 3091078 - EI

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HOME DEPOT USA INC ^c/_o TALX UCM SERVICES INC PO BOX 283 SAINT LOUIS MO 63166-0283

Appeal Number:05A-UI-03677-S2TOC:02/13/05R:O202Claimant:Appellant (1)

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(Administrative Law Judge)

(Decision Dated & Mailed)

Section 96.4-3 - Able and Available

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Garrick Harris-Dykes (claimant) appealed a representative's March 29, 2005 decision (reference 01) that concluded he was not eligible to receive unemployment insurance benefits because he was not able to work with Home Depot USA (employer). After hearing notices were mailed to the parties' last-known addresses of record, a telephone hearing was held on April 28, 2005. The claimant participated personally. The employer participated by Mike Miller, Human Resources Manager.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

The administrative law judge, having heard the testimony and considered all of the evidence in the record, finds that: The claimant worked for the employer from May 2, 1994 to February 8, 2005. The claimant's physician restricted the claimant from working from February 8 to April 1, 2005.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

The issue is whether the claimant was able and available for work. For the following reasons the administrative law judge concludes he is not.

871 IAC 24.23(1) provides:

Availability disqualifications. The following are reasons for a claimant being disqualified for being unavailable for work.

(1) An individual who is ill and presently not able to perform work due to illness.

When an employee is ill and unable to perform work due to that illness he is considered to be unavailable for work. The claimant was restricted from working from February 8 to April 1, 2005. He is considered to be unavailable for work after February 8, 2005. The claimant is disqualified from receiving unemployment insurance benefits beginning February 8, 2005, due to his unavailability for work.

DECISION:

The representative's March 29, 2005 decision (reference 01) is affirmed. The claimant is disqualified from receiving unemployment insurance benefits because he is not available for work with the employer.

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