IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

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VICTOR F NOVAK

Claimant

APPEAL NO. 09A-UI-18643-LT

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

CRST VAN EXPEDITED INC

Employer

OC: 11/08/09

Claimant: Appellant (2)

Iowa Code § 96.5(1) - Voluntary Leaving

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant filed a timely appeal from the December 9, 2009 (reference 01) decision that denied benefits. After due notice was issued, a telephone conference hearing was held on January 25, 2010. Claimant participated. Employer did not respond to the hearing notice instructions and did not participate.

ISSUE:

The issue is whether claimant voluntarily left the employment with good cause attributable to the employer.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having heard the testimony and having reviewed the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: Claimant most recently worked full-time as a CDL driver trainer and was separated from employment on June 5, 2009 when he was required to quit to enter into an alternative driver training arrangement with the same employer wherein he leased a truck from the company. The employer misrepresented the arrangements and refused to correct or amend the terms of the agreement.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

For the reasons that follow, the administrative law judge concludes the claimant voluntarily left the employment with good cause attributable to the employer.

Iowa Code § 96.5-1 provides:

An individual shall be disqualified for benefits:

1. Voluntary quitting. If the individual has left work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the individual's employer, if so found by the department.

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871 IAC 24.26(4) provides:

Voluntary quit with good cause attributable to the employer and separations not considered to be voluntary quits. The following are reasons for a claimant leaving employment with good cause attributable to the employer:

(4) The claimant left due to intolerable or detrimental working conditions.

871 IAC 24.26(23) provides:

Voluntary quit with good cause attributable to the employer and separations not considered to be voluntary quits. The following are reasons for a claimant leaving employment with good cause attributable to the employer:

(23) The claimant left work because the type of work was misrepresented to such claimant at the time of acceptance of the work assignment.

The employer's misrepresentation and non-compliance with the terms of the resignation created an intolerable work environment for claimant that gave rise to a good cause reason for leaving the employment. Benefits are allowed.

DECISION:

The December 9, 2009 (reference 01) decision is reversed. The claimant voluntarily left his employment with good cause attributable to the employer. Benefits are allowed, provided the claimant is otherwise eligible. The benefits withheld effective the week ending November 14, 2009 shall be paid to claimant forthwith.

Dévon M. Lewis Administrative Law Judge	
Decision Dated and Mailed	
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