

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT  
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS**

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**PATRICK D OGDEN**  
Claimant

**APPEAL NO. 07A-UI-00822-MT**

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE  
DECISION**

**AASE HAUGEN HOMES INC**  
Employer

**OC: 07/30/06 R: 04  
Claimant: Respondent (1)**

Section 96.5-1 – Voluntary Quit

**STATEMENT OF THE CASE:**

Employer filed an appeal from a decision of a representative dated January 16, 2007, reference 04, which held claimant eligible for unemployment insurance benefits. After due notice, a telephone conference hearing was scheduled for and held on February 7, 2007. Claimant participated. Employer failed to respond to the hearing notice and did not participate. Exhibit A was admitted into evidence.

**ISSUE:**

The issue in this matter is whether claimant quit for good cause attributable to employer.

**FINDINGS OF FACT:**

The administrative law judge, having heard the testimony and considered all of the evidence in the record, finds: Claimant last worked for employer on December 15, 2006. Claimant was hired to work a temporary assignment until a replacement could be found. Claimant worked the temporary assignment and then a little more to benefit the employer. Claimant completed all work assigned to him.

**REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:**

The administrative law judge holds that the evidence has established that claimant voluntarily quit for good cause attributable to employer when claimant terminated the employment relationship because his assignment ended. This is a quit for cause attributable to employer because no further work was available. Benefits allowed.

Iowa Code section 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.

871 IAC 24.26(19) 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:

(19) The claimant was employed on a temporary basis for assignment to spot jobs or casual labor work and fulfilled the contract of hire when each of the jobs was completed. An election not to report for a new assignment to work shall not be construed as a voluntary leaving of employment. The issue of a refusal of an offer of suitable work shall be adjudicated when an offer of work is made by the former employer. The provisions of Iowa Code section 96.5(3) and rule 24.24(96) are controlling in the determination of suitability of work. However, this subrule shall not apply to substitute school employees who are subject to the provisions of Iowa Code section 96.4(5) which denies benefits that are based on service in an educational institution when the individual declines or refuses to accept a new contract or reasonable assurance of continued employment status. Under this circumstance, the substitute school employee shall be considered to have voluntarily quit employment.

**DECISION:**

The decision of the representative dated January 16, 2007, reference 04, is affirmed. Unemployment insurance benefits are allowed, provided claimant is otherwise eligible.

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Marlon Mormann  
Administrative Law Judge

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Decision Dated and Mailed

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