IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

REBECCA S TAYLOR Claimant

APPEAL NO. 21A-UI-14428-B2T

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

SEABOARD TRIUMPH FOODS LLC Employer

> OC: 04/11/21 Claimant: Appellant (1)

Iowa Code § 96.5-1 – Voluntary Quit

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Claimant filed an appeal from a decision of a representative dated June 21, 2021, reference 01, which held claimant ineligible for unemployment insurance benefits. After due notice, a hearing was scheduled for and held on August 19, 2021. Claimant participated. Employer participated by James Nelson. Employer failed to respond to the hearing notice and did not participate.

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 or around April 6, 2021. Claimant quit her job with Seaboard as her parole officer would not allow claimant to work in Sioux City when she was from Waterloo and had no connections to the city other than her job.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

Iowa Code section 96.5(1) provides:

An individual shall be disqualified for benefits, regardless of the source of the individual's wage credits:

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.

The administrative law judge holds that the evidence has failed to establish that claimant voluntarily quit for good cause attributable to employer when claimant terminated the employment relationship because her parole officer told claimant that she had to move back to Waterloo. While that is certainly a good cause reason to quit, it is not good cause 'attributable to employer. Benefits denied.

DECISION:

The decision of the representative dated June 21, 2021, reference 01, is affirmed. Unemployment insurance benefits shall be withheld until claimant has worked in and been paid wages for insured work equal to ten times claimant's weekly benefit amount, provided claimant is otherwise eligible.

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Blair A. Bennett Administrative Law Judge

<u>August 24, 2021</u> Decision Dated and Mailed

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