IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

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TREVOR D LEWIS Claimant

APPEAL NO. 14A-UI-00646-SWT

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

> OC: 01/06/13 Claimant: Appellant (2)

871 IAC 24.23(11) - Failure to Report as Directed

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant appealed an unemployment insurance decision dated January 16, 2014, reference 01, that concluded he was ineligible for benefits for the week ending January 18, 2014, because he did not report to the Agency as directed. A telephone hearing was held on February 12, 2014. The claimant participated in the hearing.

ISSUE:

Did the claimant fail to report to the Agency as directed?

FINDINGS OF FACT:

The claimant filed a new claim for unemployment insurance benefits with an effective date of January 6, 2013. He was informed and understood that under the unemployment insurance rules, claimants were subject to disqualification for failing to report to the Agency as directed.

The claimant filed a claim for a second benefit year effective January 5, 2014, because his previous benefit year expired.

There is no evidence available in the Iowa Workforce Development documents about any notice mailed to the claimant to report to a Workforce Development Center. There is no evidence of any eligibility issue with the claimant during the week ending January 18, 2014. It appears that the claim for the week ending January 18, 2014, was originally entered and denied on his claim filed in 2013, but then was entered and paid on the 2014 claim, suggesting the issue decided in the January 16, 2014, reference 01, decision is moot.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

The issue in this case is whether the claimant is ineligible for benefits for the week ending January 18, 2014, because he did not report to the Agency as directed.

The unemployment insurance law provides that a claimant must be able to work, available for work, and actively seeking employment. Iowa Code Section 96.4-3. Under the unemployment insurance rules, a claimant who fails to report as directed to the Agency in response to a notice mailed to the claimant is deemed unavailable for work. 871 IAC 24.23(11).

There is no evidence of any failure to report or eligibility issue during the week ending January 18, 2014. The claimant was eligible for benefits.

DECISION:

The unemployment insurance decision dated January 16, 2014, reference 01, is reversed. The claimant was eligible for benefits for the week ending January 18, 2014.

Steven A. Wise Administrative Law Judge

Decision Dated and Mailed

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