IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

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STEPHANIE S NICHOLS Claimant

APPEAL NO. 09A-UI-18312-MT

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

> Original Claim: 06/07/09 Claimant: Appellant (2)

Section 96.4-3 – Able and Available

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Claimant filed an appeal from a decision of a representative dated September 24, 2009, reference 04, which held claimant not able and available for work. After due notice, a telephone conference hearing was scheduled for and held on January 19, 2010. Claimant participated personally. Exhibit A was admitted into evidence.

ISSUE:

The issue in this matter is whether claimant is able and available for work.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

The administrative law judge, having heard the testimony and having considered all of the evidence in the record, finds: Claimant did not receive notice to report during the week of September 6, 2009. Claimant also did not receive the decision of September 24, 2009. Claimant was able and available for work the two weeks ending September 19, 2009. Claimant made appropriate work searches.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

Iowa Code section 96.4-3 provides:

An unemployed individual shall be eligible to receive benefits with respect to any week only if the department finds that:

3. The individual is able to work, is available for work, and is earnestly and actively seeking work. This subsection is waived if the individual is deemed partially unemployed, while employed at the individual's regular job, as defined in section 96.19, subsection 38, paragraph "b", unnumbered paragraph 1, or temporarily unemployed as defined in section 96.19, subsection 38, paragraph "c". The work search requirements of this subsection and the disqualification requirement for failure to apply for, or to accept suitable work of section 96.5, subsection 3 are waived if the individual is not disqualified for benefits under section 96.5, subsection 1, paragraph "h".

Inasmuch as claimant was able and available for work and made work contacts, the claimant has established the ability to work. Benefits shall be allowed effective September 6, 2009.

DECISION:

The decision of the representative dated September 24 2009, reference 04, is reversed. Claimant is eligible to receive unemployment insurance benefits, effective September 6, 2009, provided claimant meets all other eligibility requirements.

Marlon Mormann Administrative Law Judge

Decision Dated and Mailed

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