IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

68-0157 (9-06) - 3091078 - EI

PAUL M HUNTEBRINKER

Claimant

APPEAL NO: 13A-UI-01291-DT

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

DECISION

IOWA WORKFORCE
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

OC: 10/07/12

Claimant: Appellant (1)

Section 96.3-7 - Recovery of Overpayment of Benefits

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Paul M. Huntebrinker (claimant) appealed a representative's January 25, 2013 decision (reference 02) that concluded he had been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits. After a hearing notice was mailed to the claimant's last-known address of record, a telephone hearing was held on February 26, 2013. The claimant participated in the hearing. Based on the evidence, the arguments of the claimant, and the law, the administrative law judge enters the following findings of fact, reasoning and conclusions of law, and decision affirming the representative's decision that the claimant was overpaid unemployment insurance benefits.

ISSUE:

Was the claimant is overpaid unemployment insurance benefits of \$1,233.00.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

A representative issued a decision dated November 6, 2012 (reference 01) that concluded the claimant was disqualified from receiving benefits after a separation from employment from Siemens Energy, Inc. (employer). The overpayment decision was issued in this case as a result of that disqualification decision. As determined in the concurrently issued decision in appeal 12A-UI-13596-DT, that disqualification decision has now been affirmed.

The claimant established a claim for unemployment insurance benefits effective October 7, 2012. The claimant has received unemployment insurance benefits after the separation from employment in the amount of \$1,233.00.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

An underlying disqualification can result in an overpayment of unemployment insurance benefits.

The unemployment insurance law provides that benefits must be recovered from a claimant who receives benefits and is later determined to be ineligible for benefits, even though the claimant acted in good faith and was not otherwise at fault. Iowa Code § 96.3-7. In this case, because

the decision causing the disqualification has now been affirmed, the claimant has received benefits but was ineligible for those benefits.

Even though those benefits were received in good faith, the overpaid benefits must be recovered in accordance with the provisions of lowa law. The administrative law judge concludes that the claimant is overpaid benefits of \$1,233.00 pursuant to lowa Code § 96.3-7.

DECISION:

The representative's January 25, 2013 decision (reference 02) is affirmed. The claimant is overpaid benefits of \$1,233.00.

Lynette A. F. Donner Administrative Law Judge

Decision Dated and Mailed

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