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Unemployment Insurance Appeals Section  
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DECISION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE  
68-0157 (7-97) – 3091078 - EI**

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**Appeal Number: 05A-UI-05960-ET  
OC: 05-08-05 R: 02  
Claimant: Respondent (4)**

**This Decision Shall Become Final**, unless within fifteen (15) days from the date below, you or any interested party appeal to the Employment Appeal Board by submitting either a signed letter or a signed written Notice of Appeal, directly to the **Employment Appeal Board, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor—Lucas Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319**.

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1. The name, address and social security number of the claimant.
2. A reference to the decision from which the appeal is taken.
3. That an appeal from such decision is being made and such appeal is signed.
4. The grounds upon which such appeal is based.

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(Administrative Law Judge)

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(Decision Dated & Mailed)

Section 96.6-2 - Timeliness of Protest  
Iowa Code Chapter 95 - Requalification

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The employer appealed the representative's decision dated May 25, 2005, reference 04, that concluded it failed to file a timely protest regarding the claimant's separation from employment on May 19, 2004, and no disqualification of unemployment insurance benefits was imposed. After due notice was issued, a hearing was scheduled on June 23, 2005, before Administrative Law Judge Julie Elder. Department's Exhibit D-1 was admitted to the record.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

The administrative law judge, having heard the testimony and having considered all of the evidence in the record, finds that: The claimant's notice of claim was mailed to the employer's

address of record on May 12, 2005. The employer filed a protest on May 23, 2005. The claimant has requalified for benefits since the separation from the employer.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

Iowa Code section 96.6-2 provides in pertinent part:

2. Initial determination. A representative designated by the director shall promptly notify all interested parties to the claim of its filing, and the parties have ten days from the date of mailing the notice of the filing of the claim by ordinary mail to the last known address to protest payment of benefits to the claimant.

The administrative law judge concludes that the employer filed its protest within the time period prescribed by Iowa Employment Security Law because they filed it by fax after business hours on the day it was due. Consequently, the protest is timely. The administrative law judge further concludes that the claimant has requalified for benefits since the separation from this employer. Accordingly, benefits are allowed and the account of the employer shall not be charged.

DECISION:

The May 25, 2005, reference 04, decision is modified in favor of the appellant. The employer has filed a timely protest, and the claimant has requalified for benefits since the separation. Benefits are allowed, provided the claimant is otherwise eligible. The account of the employer shall not be charged.

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