

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT  
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS**

**KEITH A MAUK**  
Claimant

**IOWA WORKFORCE  
DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT**

**APPEAL NO. 22A-UI-08921-AD-T**

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE  
DECISION**

**OC: 03/29/20**  
**Claimant: Appellant (1)**

PL 116-136, Sec. 2107 - Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation

**STATEMENT OF THE CASE:**

On April 8, 2022, Keith Mauk (claimant/appellant) appealed the Iowa Workforce Development ("IWD") decision dated March 30, 2022 (reference 03) that concluded the claimant was overpaid Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation in the amount of \$4,480.00 for a 32-week period ending May 8, 2021 as a result of a prior decision denying benefits.

A telephone hearing was held on May 24, 2022. The parties were properly notified of the hearing. Appeal Nos. 22A-UI-08919, 22A-UI-08920, 22A-UI-08921, 22A-UI-08923, and 22A-UI-08927 are related and were heard together. Claimant participated personally. Claimant's wife, Linda Mauk, observed.

No exhibits were offered or admitted. Official notice was taken of the administrative record.

**ISSUE:**

Was the claimant overpaid Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation (PEUC)?

**FINDINGS OF FACT:**

Having reviewed all of the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds:

The administrative record shows claimant received PEUC in the amount of \$4,480.00 during the period in question. Claimant was subsequently determined to be disqualified from benefits during that period in a decision dated May 26, 2021. That decision remains in force. See 22A-UI-08919-AD-T.

**REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:**

For the reasons set forth below, the decision dated March 30, 2022 (reference 03) that concluded the claimant was overpaid Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation in the amount of \$4,480.00 for a 32-week period ending May 8, 2021 as a result of a prior decision denying benefits is AFFIRMED.

PL 116-136, Sec. 2107 provides, in pertinent part:

(a) FEDERAL-STATE AGREEMENTS.—

(1) IN GENERAL. — Any State which desires to do so may enter into and participate in an agreement under this section with the Secretary of Labor (in this section referred to as the “Secretary”). Any State which is a party to an agreement under this section may, upon providing 30 days’ written notice to the Secretary, terminate such agreement.

(2) PROVISIONS OF AGREEMENT.— Any agreement under paragraph (1) shall provide that the State agency of the State will make payments of pandemic emergency unemployment compensation to individuals who—

(A) have exhausted all rights to regular compensation under the State law or under Federal law with respect to a benefit year (excluding any benefit year that ended before July 1, 2019);

(B) have no rights to regular compensation with respect to a week under such law or any other State unemployment compensation law or to compensation under any other Federal law;

(C) are not receiving compensation with respect to such week under the unemployment compensation law of Canada; and

(D) are able to work, available to work, and actively seeking work.

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(e) FRAUD AND OVERPAYMENTS.—

(2) REPAYMENT.—In the case of individuals who have received amounts of pandemic emergency unemployment compensation under this section to which they were not entitled, the State shall require such individuals to repay the amounts of such pandemic emergency unemployment compensation to the State agency, except that the State agency may waive such repayment if it determines that—

(A) the payment of such pandemic emergency unemployment compensation was without fault on the part of any such individual; and

(B) such repayment would be contrary to equity and good conscience.

(3) RECOVERY BY STATE AGENCY.—

(A) IN GENERAL.—The State agency shall recover the amount to be repaid, or any part thereof, by deductions from any pandemic emergency unemployment compensation payable to such individual under this section or from any unemployment compensation payable to such individual under any State or Federal unemployment compensation law administered by the State agency or under any other State or Federal law administered by the State agency which provides for the payment of any assistance or allowance with respect to any week of unemployment, during the 3-year

period after the date such individuals received the payment of the pandemic emergency unemployment compensation to which they were not entitled, in accordance with the same procedures as apply to the recovery of overpayments of regular unemployment benefits paid by the State.

The administrative record shows claimant received PEUC in the amount of \$4,480.00 during the period in question. Claimant was subsequently determined to be disqualified from benefits during that period in a decision dated May 26, 2021. That decision remains in force. See 22A-UI-08919-AD-T.

Because the claimant was disqualified from benefits he did not exhaust all rights to regular benefits and did not meet the requirements to be eligible for PEUC. Claimant was therefore overpaid PEUC in the amount of \$4,480.00.

**The administrative law judge notes claimant may wish to apply for a waiver of this overpayment amount. Information on how to apply for a waiver is set forth below.**

**DECISION:**

The decision dated March 30, 2022 (reference 03) that concluded the claimant was overpaid Pandemic Emergency Unemployment Compensation in the amount of \$4,480.00 for a 32-week period ending May 8, 2021 as a result of a prior decision denying benefits is **AFFIRMED**.



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Andrew B. Duffelmeyer  
Administrative Law Judge

May 25, 2022  
Decision Dated and Mailed

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**Note to Claimant:**

If you disagree with this decision, you may file an appeal to the Employment Appeal Board by following the instructions on the first page of this decision.

If this decision determines you have been overpaid federal pandemic-related benefits you may request a waiver of the overpayment. Instructions for requesting a waiver can be found at <https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/unemployment-insurance-overpayment-and-recovery>. If this decision becomes final and you are not eligible for a waiver, you will have to repay the benefits you received.

Individuals who do not qualify for regular unemployment insurance benefits and were unemployed between February 2, 2020, and June 12, 2021 for reasons related to COVID-19 may qualify for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA). **You will need to apply for PUA to determine your eligibility under the program.** To apply for PUA go to <https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/unemployment-insurance-appeals> and click the link in the last paragraph under "WHAT TO EXPECT FROM THE HEARING." **The authorization number is the PIN you used for the hearing.**

If this decision becomes final and you are not eligible for PUA, you may have an overpayment of benefits.