

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS**

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

JOSE L VILLASANA
Claimant

APPEAL NO. 08A-UI-06113-LT

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
DECISION**

ARMOUR ECKRICH MEATS LLC
Employer

OC: 12/30/07 R: 02
Claimant: Appellant (2)

Iowa Code § 96.4(3) - Able and Available

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Claimant filed a timely appeal from the June 30, 2008, reference 02, decision that found claimant unavailable for work and denied benefits. After due notice was issued, a hearing was scheduled to be held on July 21, 2008. Because the issue appealed was resolved administratively prior to the hearing in the appellant's favor (see the reference 04 representative's decision), no testimony was necessary and no hearing was held.

ISSUE:

The issue is whether the representative's decision should be affirmed.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having reviewed all of the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: The decision appealed has been amended in favor of the appellant by the reference 04 representative's decision.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

For the reasons that follow, the administrative law judge concludes the representative's decision should be reversed.

Iowa Code § 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".

Since the decision appealed has been amended in favor of the appellant, the original representative's decision bearing reference 02 is reversed.

DECISION:

The June 30, 2008, reference 02, decision is reversed. Benefits are allowed.

Dévon M. Lewis
Administrative Law Judge

Decision Dated and Mailed

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