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Unemployment Insurance Appeals Section
1000 East Grand—Des Moines, Iowa 50319
DECISION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
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SAUER-DANFOSS (US) CO 2800 E 13<sup>TH</sup> ST AMES IA 50010 Appeal Number: 04A-UI-05876-MT

OC: 04/25/04 R: 02 Claimant: Appellant (1)

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- The name, address and social security number of the claimant.
- 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)	
(Decision Dated & Mailed)	

Section 96.5-2-a – Discharge for Misconduct

### STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Claimant filed an appeal from a decision of a representative dated May 19, 2004, reference 03, which held claimant ineligible for unemployment insurance benefits. After due notice, a telephone conference hearing was scheduled for and held on June 22, 2004. Employer participated by Tim Hill, Human Resource Team Leader. Claimant failed to respond to the hearing notice and did not participate. Exhibit One was admitted into evidence.

# FINDINGS OF FACT:

The administrative law judge, having heard the testimony and considered all of the evidence in the record, finds: Claimant last worked for employer on February 9, 2004.

Employer discharged claimant on February 9, 2004 because claimant used company computers for personal use during company time. This use was prohibited upon penalty of termination of employment.

# REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

The issue in this matter is whether this matter was previously adjudicated.

871 IAC 24.28(6) provides:

Voluntary quit requalifications and previously adjudicated voluntary quit issues.

(6) The claimant voluntarily left employment. However, there shall be no disqualification under lowa Code section 96.5(1) if a decision on this same separation has been made on a prior claim by a representative of the department and such decision has become final.

In this matter, the evidence established that the claim was adjudicated in appeal number 04A-UI-05875-MT, reference 01.

# **DECISION:**

The decision of the representative dated May 19, 2004, reference 03, is affirmed. The claim was adjudicated in appeal number 04A-UI-05875-MT, reference 01. Unemployment insurance benefits shall be withheld until claimant has worked in and been paid wages for insured work equal to ten times claimant's weekly benefit amount, provided claimant is otherwise eligible.

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