IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT Unemployment Insurance Appeals Section 1000 East Grand—Des Moines, Iowa 50319 DECISION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE 68-0157 (7-97) – 3091078 - EI

MAC A COOPER 15976 COUNTY RD X61 MUSCATINE IA 52761

PRM INC J & K BUTTON CO 319 W MISSISSIPPI DR MUSCATINE IA 52761 Appeal Number: 05A-UI-05366-S2T

OC: 04/24/05 R: 04 Claimant: Appellant (1)

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(Administrative Law Judge)	
(Decision Dated & Mailed)	

Section 96.5-1 - Voluntary Quit

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Mac Cooper (claimant) appealed a representative's May 11, 2005 decision (reference 01) that concluded he was not eligible to receive unemployment insurance benefits because he had voluntarily quit employment with PRM (employer). After hearing notices were mailed to the parties' last-known addresses of record, a telephone hearing was held on June 8, 2005. The claimant participated personally. The employer participated by William McGowan, Vice President.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

The administrative law judge, having heard the testimony and considered all of the evidence in the record, finds that: The claimant was hired in October 1990 as a full-time machinist. The claimant was repeatedly coming to work tardy and leaving early without notice to the employer. On April 20, 2005, the employer told the claimant he wanted to talk about his job performance. The claimant walked off the job and quit work. Continued work was available to the claimant had she not resigned.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

The issue is whether the claimant voluntarily quit without good cause attributable to the employer. For the following reasons the administrative law judge concludes he did.

Iowa Code section 96.5-1 provides:

An individual shall be disqualified for benefits:

1. Voluntary quitting. If the individual has left work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the individual's employer, if so found by the department.

A voluntary leaving of employment requires an intention to terminate the employment relationship accompanied by an overt act of carrying out that intention. <u>Local Lodge #1426 v. Wilson Trailer</u>, 289 N.W.2d 608, 612 (Iowa 1980). The claimant's intention to voluntarily leave work was evidenced by his words and actions. He told the employer that he was leaving and quit work. When an employee quits work after being reprimanded, his leaving is without good cause attributable to the employer. The claimant left work after being reprimanded. His leaving was without good cause attributable to the employer. The claimant voluntarily quit without good cause attributable to the employer. Benefits are denied.

DECISION:

The representative's May 11, 2005 decision (reference 01) is affirmed. The claimant voluntarily left work without good cause attributable to the employer. Benefits are withheld until he has worked in and has been paid wages for insured work equal to ten times his weekly benefit amount, provided he is otherwise eligible.

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