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

JONAH J BRODERSEN 21269 IVY AVE CARROLL IA 51401

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DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

Appeal Number: 05A-UI-12256-HT

OC: 11/20/05 R: 01 Claimant: Appellant (1)

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(Administrative Law Judge)
(Decision Dated & Mailed)

Section 96.4(3) - Work Search

### STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant, Jonah Brodersen, filed an appeal from a decision dated November 30, 2005, reference 02. The decision warned him to make two in-person job contacts each week to maintain eligibility for unemployment benefits. After due notice was issued, a hearing was held by telephone conference call on December 20, 2005. The claimant participated on his own behalf.

### FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having heard the testimony of the witness and having examined all of the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: Jonah Brodersen filed a claim for unemployment benefits with an effective date of November 20, 2005. He was approved for \$11.00 in benefits

for the first week ending November 26, 2005. However, the claimant did not make any work searches for that first week.

# REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

Iowa Code section 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".

In order to maintain eligibility for unemployment benefits, claimants must make at least two in-person work contacts every week. Mr. Brodersen failed to do this for the week ending November 26, 2005.

## **DECISION:**

The representative's decision of November 30, 2005, reference 02, is affirmed. Jonah Brodersen did not make the required number of work searches for the week ending November 26, 2005. The warning remains in effect.

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