### IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

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

 AARON J ANDERSON

 Claimant

 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

 DECISION

 CRST VAN EXPEDITED INC

 Employer

OC: 02/27/11 Claimant: Appellant (1)

Iowa Code § 96.5(1) – Voluntary Quit

# PROCEDURAL STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant appealed a representative's March 28, 2011 determination (reference 01) that disqualified him from receiving benefits and held the employer's account exempt from charge because he had voluntarily quit his employment for reasons that do not qualify him to receive benefits. The claimant did not respond to the hearing notice, or participate in the hearing. Sandy Matt, a human resource specialist, appeared on the employer's behalf. Based on the evidence, the arguments of the employer, and the law, the administrative law judge concludes the claimant is not qualified to receive benefits.

#### **ISSUE:**

Did the claimant voluntarily quit his employment for reasons that qualify him to receive benefits?

#### FINDINGS OF FACT:

The claimant started working for the employer as an over-the-road driver in late December 2009. After the claimant received custody of his children in early January 2011, the claimant gave the employer notice that his last day of work would be January 27, 2011. The claimant resigned so he could find a local job and be with his children.

#### **REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:**

A claimant is not qualified to receive unemployment insurance benefits if he voluntary quits employment without good cause attributable to the employer. Iowa Code § 96.5(1). When a claimant quits, he has the burden to establish he leaves the employment for reasons that qualify him to receive benefits. Iowa Code § 96.6(2).

The claimant established compelling personal reasons for quitting. His reasons for quitting do not, however, qualify him to receive benefits. As of February 27, 2011, the claimant is not qualified to receive benefits.

# **DECISION:**

The representative's March 28, 2011 determination (reference 01) is affirmed. The claimant voluntarily quit his employment for personal reasons that do not qualify him to receive benefits. The claimant is disqualified from receiving unemployment insurance benefits as of February 27, 2011. This disqualification continues until he has been paid ten times his weekly benefit amount for insured work, provided he is otherwise eligible. The employer's account will not be charged.

Debra L. Wise Administrative Law Judge

Decision Dated and Mailed

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