IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

JUDY E GREEN Claimant

APPEAL 14A-UI-10337-LT

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

OC: 08/24/14 Claimant: Appellant (1)

Iowa Code § 96.3(7) – Recovery of Benefit Overpayment

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant appealed the September 30, 2014 (reference 05) unemployment insurance decision that concluded the claimant was overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$348 for the one week ending September 20, 2014; as a result of a severance pay ineligibility decision. A telephone hearing was held on October 27, 2014 pursuant to due notice. The claimant participated.

ISSUE:

Is the claimant overpaid benefits?

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having reviewed all of the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: The overpayment issue in this case was created by an ineligibility decision that has been affirmed. Claimant received benefits in the gross amount of \$348.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

The administrative law judge concludes claimant has been overpaid benefits for the period in question.

Iowa Code § 96.3-7 provides in pertinent part:

7. Recovery of overpayment of benefits.

a. If an individual receives benefits for which the individual is subsequently determined to be ineligible, even though the individual acts in good faith and is not otherwise at fault, the benefits shall be recovered. The department in its discretion may recover the overpayment of benefits either by having a sum equal to the overpayment deducted from any future benefits payable to the individual or by having the individual pay to the department a sum equal to the overpayment.

b. (1) If the department determines that an overpayment has been made, the charge for the overpayment against the employer's account shall be removed and the account shall be credited with an amount equal to the overpayment from the unemployment compensation trust fund and this credit shall include both contributory and reimbursable employers, notwithstanding section 96.8, subsection 5. . . .

The administrative law judge concludes that the claimant has been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$348 pursuant to Iowa Code § 96.3(7), as the ineligibility decision that created the overpayment decision has been affirmed.

DECISION:

The September 30, 2014 (reference 05) unemployment insurance decision is affirmed. The claimant has been overpaid unemployment insurance benefits in the gross amount of \$348 to which she was not entitled and those benefits must be recovered in accordance with lowa law.

Dévon M. Lewis Administrative Law Judge

Decision Dated and Mailed

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