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

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# Appeal Number:04A-UI-00177-CTOC:11/16/03R:Claimant:Appellant (3)

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- 3. That an appeal from such decision is being made and such appeal is signed.
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(Administrative Law Judge)

(Decision Dated & Mailed)

Section 96.5(1)a – Quit for Other Employment

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Nancy Hinshaw filed an appeal from a representative's decision dated December 31, 2003, reference 01, which denied benefits based on her separation from Wal-Mart Stores, Inc. After due notice was issued, a hearing was held by telephone on January 27, 2004. Ms. Hinshaw participated personally and offered additional testimony from Jim Foster. The employer participated by Chad Float, Co-Manager. Exhibits One and Two were admitted on the employer's behalf.

## FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having heard the testimony of the witnesses and having reviewed all the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: Ms. Hinshaw was employed by Wal-Mart from October 31, 2000 until July 18, 2003. She was last employed full time as an inventory control specialist. When she lost her means of transportation and could not be transferred to a different position, she sought other work.

On July 17, Ms. Hinshaw was offered work with Oquawka Diner. She notified Wal-Mart on July 18 that she was quitting and began work at the diner on July 21, 2003. She worked until laid off by the diner on November 14, 2003.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

At issue in this matter is whether Ms. Hinshaw was separated from employment for any disqualifying reason. She left the employment on July 18 to accept work elsewhere. As of the date of her claim for job insurance benefits, she had performed services in the new employment. For the above reasons, she is allowed benefits pursuant to Iowa Code Section 96.5(1)a. Benefits paid as a result of the decision herein will not be charged to Wal-Mart's account.

## DECISION:

The representative's decision dated December 31, 2003, reference 01, is hereby modified. Ms. Hinshaw left her employment with Wal-Mart to accept other employment where she performed services. Benefits are allowed, provided she satisfies all other conditions of eligibility. Wal-Mart's account will not be charged for benefits paid to Ms. Hinshaw

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