

**IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT  
UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS**

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**JACQUELINE L RONNFELDT**  
Claimant

**APPEAL NO. 11A-UI-01731-AT**

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE  
DECISION**

**AGRI STAR MEAT & POULTRY LLC**  
Employer

**OC: 01/31/10  
Claimant: Appellant (2)**

Section 96.4-3 – Eligibility for Benefits

**STATEMENT OF THE CASE:**

Jacqueline L. Ronnfeldt filed a timely appeal from an unemployment insurance decision dated February 11, 2011, reference 04, that denied benefits to her effective December 19, 2010. Before a hearing could be scheduled, however, the Unemployment Insurance Services Division issued a second fact-finding decision allowing the relief requested by the claimant. Under these circumstances, a formal hearing is not required.

**ISSUE:**

Is the claimant eligible to receive unemployment insurance benefits effective December 19, 2010?

**FINDINGS OF FACT:**

Having examined all matters of record, the administrative law judge finds: On February 16, 2011, the Unemployment Insurance Services Division issued a fact-finding decision allowing benefits to Jacqueline L. Ronnfeldt upon a finding that medical evidence establishing that she was able to work had been submitted.

**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".

A fact-finding decision has now been issued ruling that the claimant is medically able to work. This ruling makes a hearing in the present appeal unnecessary.

**DECISION:**

The unemployment insurance decision dated February 11, 2011, reference 04, is reversed. The claimant is entitled to receive unemployment insurance benefits, provided she is otherwise eligible.

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Dan Anderson  
Administrative Law Judge

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Decision Dated and Mailed

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