IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS BUREAU

TEANNA A SAUCEDO Claimant

APPEAL 21A-UI-01161-JC-T

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

> OC: 04/05/20 Claimant: Appellant (1)

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

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant/appellant, Teanna A. Saucedo, filed an appeal from the December 8, 2020 (reference 02) Iowa Workforce Development ("IWD") unemployment insurance decision that established an overpayment of benefits. After proper notice, a telephone hearing was held on February 16, 2021. The hearing was held together with Appeals 21A-UI-01160-JC-T. The claimant participated.

The administrative law judge took official notice of the administrative records. Department Exhibit D-1 was admitted. Based on the evidence, the arguments presented, and the law, the administrative law judge enters the following findings of fact, reasoning and conclusions of law, and decision.

ISSUE:

Is the claimant overpaid benefits?

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having reviewed all of the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: The claimant filed a new claim for unemployment insurance benefits with an effective date of April 5, 2020. The claimant filed for and received a total of \$4,950.00 in regular, state unemployment insurance benefits for the weeks between April 5, 2020 and September 5, 2020.

The unemployment insurance decision that disqualified the claimant from receiving unemployment insurance benefits has been affirmed in a decision of the administrative law judge in appeal 21A-UI-01160-JC-T.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

The issue in this case is whether the claimant was overpaid benefits.

Iowa Code section 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.

Because the decision denying benefits to claimant has been affirmed, claimant has been overpaid benefits in the amount of \$4,950.00. The claimant may have to repay the benefits received thus far, unless the claimant applies and is approved for PUA, as directed in the paragraph below.

DECISION:

The unemployment insurance decision dated December 8, 2020, (reference 02), is affirmed. The claimant was overpaid \$4,950.00 in regular, state unemployment insurance benefits

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February 26, 2021 Decision Dated and Mailed

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Note to Claimant: This decision denies benefits. If this decision becomes final or if you are not eligible for PUA, you may have an overpayment of benefits. If you disagree with this decision you may file an appeal to the Employment Appeal Board by following the instructions on the first page of this decision. Individuals who do not qualify for regular unemployment insurance benefits, but who are currently unemployed for reasons related to COVID-19 may qualify for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA). You will need to apply for PUA to determine your eligibility under the program. Additional information on how to apply for PUA can be found at https://www.iowaworkforcedevelopment.gov/pua-information.

You may find additional information about food, housing, and other resources at <u>https://covidrecoveryiowa.org/</u> or at <u>https://dhs.iowa.gov/node/3250</u>