IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEM PLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

AUSTIN REGENOLD Claimant

APPEAL 21A-UI-18830-ED-T

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

HOOGLAND FOODS LLC

Employer

OC: 05/17/20 Claimant: Appellant (2)

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

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

Claimant filed an appeal from the October 8, 2020 (reference 04) unemployment insurance decision that found claimant was overpaid regular unemployment insurance (UI) benefits. Claimant was properly notified of the hearing. A telephone hearing was held on October 19, 2021, at 11:05 a.m. Claimant participated. No exhibits were admitted. Official notice was taken of the administrative record.

ISSUE:

Whether claimant is overpaid UI.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having reviewed all of the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: Claimant filed for and has received UI in the gross amount of \$2,927.00 for the 17-week period between May 17, 2020 and September 12, 2020. The unemployment insurance decision that disqualified claimant from receiving unemployment insurance benefits (and resulted in the overpayment) has been reversed (see 21A-UI-18829-ED-T).

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

For the reasons that follow, the administrative law judge concludes:

lowa Code section 96.3(7) states:

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 claimant's separation was disqualifying, benefits were paid to which claimant was entitled. The administrative law judge concludes that the claimant has not been overpaid UI in the amount of \$2,927.00 for the 17-week period between May 17, 2020 and September 12, 2020. Those benefits do not need to be repaid in accordance with lowa law.

DECISION:

The August 20, 2021 (reference 04) unemployment insurance decision is reversed. Claimant has not been overpaid regular unemployment insurance benefits in the amount of \$2,927.00 for the 17-week period between May 17, 2020 and September 12, 2020. The benefits do not need to be repaid.

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Emily Drenkow Carr Administrative Law Judge

October 28, 2021 Decision Dated and Mailed

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