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DECISION OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE
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Appeal Number: 04A-UI-01527-SWT

OC 11/02/03 R 01 Claimant: Respondent (1)

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- 3. That an appeal from such decision is being made and such appeal is signed.
- 4. The grounds upon which such appeal is based.

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(Administrative Law Judge)	
(Decision Dated & Mailed)	

871 IAC 24.1(113) - Layoff

### STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The employer appealed an unemployment insurance decision dated February 9, 2004, reference 04, that concluded the claimant was laid off due to lack of work. A telephone hearing was held on March 4, 2004. The parties were properly notified about the hearing. The claimant participated in the hearing. Judy O'Grady participated in the hearing on behalf of the employer with a witness, Linda Swanson.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT:

The claimant worked full time for the employer from July 7, 1997, to September 19, 2003, as a machine operator when she was laid off due to lack of work. She was subject to recall for one year. The claimant's last job paid her \$15.88 per hour. The claimant was terminated from the active recall list for failing to return to work effective January 5, 2004.

# REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

The unemployment insurance law provides for a disqualification for claimants who voluntarily quit employment without good cause attributable to the employer or who are discharged for work-connected misconduct. Iowa Code Sections 96.5-1 and 96.5-2-a. The claimant was laid off due to lack of work as of September 19, 2003. The failure to return to work must be evaluated under the refusal of suitable work statute (which is the subject of 04A-UI-01526-SWT) and does not change the fact that the claimant's separation from work was a layoff due to lack of work. 871 IAC 24.1(113).

## **DECISION:**

The unemployment insurance decision dated February 9, 2004, reference 04, is affirmed. The claimant was laid off due to lack of work effective September 19, 2003, and she is eligible for benefits based on that separation from work, provided she is otherwise qualified.

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