IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

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DOUGLAS D HORN

Claimant

APPEAL NO. 08A-UI-11157-DT

ORDER FOR CHANGE IN HEARING LOCATION

WEST LIBERTY FOODS LLC

Employer

OC: 10/19/08 R: 04 Claimant: Appellant

Section 96.6-3 – In-Person Hearings

A representative's decision was issued on October 13, 2008 (reference 01) concluding that Douglas S. Horn (claimant) was not eligible to receive unemployment insurance benefits after a separation from employment from West Liberty Foods, L.L.C. (employer). The claimant appealed and requested that an in-person hearing be held on his appeal. As the rules provide that an in-person hearing is to be scheduled at the location closest to the party who did not request the in-person hearing, and the employer's mailing address of record is West Liberty, lowa, the hearing was scheduled for January 5, 2009 in Davenport, lowa. In response to notice of that hearing, the employer responded by indicating that travel to Davenport would present difficulty, as the employer's business site at which the claimant was employed, as well as the claimant, were in Mount Pleasant, lowa, at least 90 miles away from the Davenport hearing site, as compared to being only about 25 miles from the Agency office in Burlington, lowa, another in-person hearing site.

The administrative law judge concludes that in this case the scheduling of an in-person hearing in Davenport, rather than Burlington, was in error. The administrative law judge therefore ORDERS that the hearing in Davenport is postponed. The hearing will be rescheduled for an in-person hearing in Burlington, Iowa. The next week that Appeals hearings will be held in the Burlington office will be during the week of April 30, 2009.

| Lynette A. F. Donner Administrative Law Judge | |
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| Order Dated and Mailed | |

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