IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

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BRITTANY R HOING

Claimant

APPEAL NO. 08A-UI-05434-HT

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

MINUTEMAN INC

Employer

OC: 05/04/08 R: 02 Claimant: Appellant (1)

Section 96.5(1) – Quit

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The claimant, Brittany Hoing, filed an appeal from a decision dated June 2, 2008, reference 01. The decision disqualified her from receiving unemployment benefits. After due notice was issued, a hearing was held by telephone conference call on June 24, 2008. The claimant participated on her own behalf. The employer, Minuteman, participated by Owner Ed Gifford and Manager Megan Bessman.

ISSUE:

The issue is whether the claimant quit work with good cause attributable to the employer.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Brittany Hoing was employed by Minuteman from July 9 until December 19, 2007, as a full-time customer service representative. On December 19, 2007, she gave verbal notice to Owner Ed Gifford she was quitting to go to school.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

Iowa Code section 96.5-1 provides:

An individual shall be disqualified for benefits:

1. Voluntary quitting. If the individual has left work voluntarily without good cause attributable to the individual's employer, if so found by the department.

871 IAC 24.25(26) provides:

Voluntary quit without good cause. In general, a voluntary quit means discontinuing the employment because the employee no longer desires to remain in the relationship of an employee with the employer from whom the employee has separated. The employer has the burden of proving that the claimant is disqualified for benefits pursuant to lowa Code section 96.5. However, the claimant has the initial burden to produce evidence

that the claimant is not disqualified for benefits in cases involving lowa Code section 96.5, subsection (1), paragraphs "a" through "i," and subsection 10. The following reasons for a voluntary quit shall be presumed to be without good cause attributable to the employer:

(26) The claimant left to go to school.

The claimant quit for the sole purpose of going to school. Under the provisions of the above Administrative Code section, this is a voluntary quit without good cause attributable to the employer and the claimant is disqualified.

DECISION:

The representative's decision of June 2, 2008, reference 01, is affirmed. Brittany Hoing is disqualified and benefits are withheld until she has earned ten times her weekly benefit amount, provided she is otherwise eligible.

Bonny G. Hendricksmeyer
Administrative Law Judge

Decision Dated and Mailed

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