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A Y MCDONALD INDUSTRIES INC 4800 CHAVENELLE RD PO BOX 508 DUBUQUE IA 52004-0508 Appeal Number: 04A-UI-09033-DT

OC: 02/15/04 R: 02 Claimant: Respondent (6)

This Decision Shall Become Final, unless within fifteen (15) days from the date below, you or any interested party appeal to the Employment Appeal Board by submitting either a signed letter or a signed written Notice of Appeal, directly to the Employment Appeal Board, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor—Lucas Building, Des Moines, Iowa 50319.

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- The name, address and social security number of the claimant.
- 2. A reference to the decision from which the appeal is taken.
- 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 26.8(1) - Withdrawal of Appeal Section 96.7-2-a(2) - Charges Against Employer's Account

# STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

An appeal was filed from a representative's decision dated August 16, 2004 (reference 03). A hearing was scheduled for September 14, 2004. Prior to the hearing being held, the appellant requested the appeal be withdrawn. Based on a review of the administrative file and the law, the administrative law judge enters the following findings of fact, reasoning and conclusions of law, and decision.

#### FINDINGS OF FACT:

A request has been made by A. Y. McDonald Industries, Inc. (employer), the appealing party, to withdraw the appeal.

The claimant established an unemployment insurance benefit year effective February 12, 2004. He filed an additional claim effective July 11, 2004.

## REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

#### 871 IAC 26.8(1) provides:

(1) An appeal may be withdrawn at any time prior to the issuance of a decision upon the request of the appellant and with the approval of the presiding officer to whom the case is assigned. Requests for withdrawal may be made in writing or orally, provided the oral request is tape-recorded by the presiding officer.

The request of the appealing party to withdraw the appeal should be approved.

The final issue is whether the employer's account is subject to charge. An employer's account is only chargeable if the employer is a base period employer. Iowa Code Section 96.7. The base period is "the period beginning with the first day of the five completed calendar quarters immediately preceding the first day of an individual's benefit year and ending with the last day of the next to the last completed calendar quarter immediately preceding the date on which the individual filed a valid claim." Iowa Code Section 96.19-3. The claimant's base period began October 1, 2002 and ended September 30, 2003. The employer did not employ the claimant during this time, and therefore the employer is not currently a base period employer and its account is not currently chargeable for benefits paid to the claimant.

## **DECISION:**

The decision of the representative dated August 16, 2004 (reference 03) is affirmed. The request of the appealing party to withdraw the appeal is approved, and the decision of the representative shall stand and remain in full force and effect. The claimant is entitled to receive unemployment insurance benefits, provided the claimant is otherwise eligible. The employer's account is not subject to charge in the current benefit year.

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