IOWA WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE APPEALS

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TRUY H PHUNG

Claimant

APPEAL NO. 08A-UI-05552-S2T

ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE DECISION

LABOR READY MIDWEST INC

Employer

OC: 04/227/08 R: 02 Claimant: Respondent (2)

Section 96.5-1 – Voluntary Leaving

STATEMENT OF THE CASE:

The employer filed a timely appeal from the June 2, 2008, reference 04, decision that allowed benefits. After due notice was issued, a telephone conference hearing was held on June 30, 2008. Claimant did not provide a telephone number where she could be reached and therefore did not participate in the hearing. Employer participated through Cathy Archer. The employer offered and Exhibit One was received into evidence.

ISSUE:

The issue is whether the claimant voluntarily quit work without good cause attributable to the employer.

FINDINGS OF FACT:

Having heard the testimony and having reviewed the evidence in the record, the administrative law judge finds: Claimant was employed as a part time temporary general labor from July 30, 2007, until August 3, 2008, when he stopped appearing for work. Continued work was available had the claimant not resigned.

REASONING AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW:

For the reasons that follow, the administrative law judge concludes the claimant voluntarily quit work without good cause attributable to the employer.

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.

A voluntary leaving of employment requires an intention to terminate the employment relationship accompanied by an overt act of carrying out that intention. <u>Local Lodge #1426 v.</u>

<u>Wilson Trailer</u>, 289 N.W.2d 608, 612 (lowa 1980). The claimant's intention to voluntarily leave work was evidenced by his actions. He stopped appearing for work and did not contact the employer. Continued work was available had the claimant not resigned.

DECISION:

The June 2, 2008, reference 04, representative's decision is reversed. The claimant voluntarily left employment without good cause attributable to the employer. Benefits are denied.

Doth A Cohootz

Beth A. Scheetz Administrative Law Judge

Decision Dated and Mailed

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