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EMPLOYMENT APPEALS BOARD DECISION 2014-EAB-1552

Affirmed Late Requests for Hearings Denied Overpayment Assessed

PROCEDURAL HISTORY: On May 5, 2014, the Oregon Employment Department (the Department) served notice of an administrative decision concluding claimant was not eligible to receive Trade Readjustment Allowances (TRA) benefits under her current certification. (decision # 153114). On May 27, 2014, administrative decision # 153114 became final without a request for hearing having been filed. On July 21, 2014, the Department served notice of an administrative decision assessing a \$2,625 overpayment based on the May 5, 2014 administrative decision (# 153114) which concluded claimant was not eligible for TRA benefits under her current certification (decision # 105832). On July 31, 2014, claimant filed a late request for hearing on decision # 153114.

On August 6, 2014, ALJ Kangas issued Hearing Decision 14-UI-22909, dismissing claimant's request for hearing on decision #153114 as untimely, subject to claimant's "right to renew" the request by submitting responses to the "Appellant Questionnaire" attached to the hearing decision within 14 days of the date the decision was mailed.¹ On August 11, 2014, administrative decision # 105832 became final without a request for hearing having been filed. On August 15, 2014, the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) received claimant's response to the Appellant Questionnaire. Also, on August 15, 2014, claimant filed a late request for hearing on administrative decision # 105832. On September 2, 2014, ALJ Kangas reviewed claimant's response to the Appellant Questionnaire and issued Hearing Decision 14-UI-24394, re-dismissing claimant's request for hearing on administrative decision #153114. On September 2, 2014, ALJ Kangas also reviewed claimant's late request for hearing on administrative decision # 105832 and issued Hearing Decision 14-UI-24411, dismissing claimant's request for hearing as untimely. On September 18, 2014, claimant filed two applications for review with the Employment Appeals Board (EAB).

¹ Hearing Decision 14-UI-22909

Pursuant to OAR 471-041-0095 (October 29, 2006), EAB consolidated its review of Hearing Decisions 14-UI-24394 and 14-UI-24411. For case-tracking purposes, this decision is being issued in duplicate (EAB Decisions 1504 and 1552).

EAB considered claimant's written argument to the extent it was relevant and based on the record.

EAB reviewed the entire hearing records. On *de novo* review and pursuant to ORS 657.275(2), the hearing decisions under review are **adopted**.

DECISION: Hearing Decisions 14-UI-24394 and 14-UI-24411 are affirmed. Administrative decisions # 153114 and # 105832 remain undisturbed.

Susan Rossiter and Tony Corcoran; J. S. Cromwell, not participating.

DATE of Service: September 29, 2014

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