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EMPLOYMENT APPEALS BOARD DECISION 2018-EAB-0662

Affirmed
Request to Reopen Denied

PROCEDURAL HISTORY: On January 17, 2018, the Oregon Employment Department (the Department) served notice of an administrative decision concluding the employer discharged claimant, but not for misconduct (decision # 132821). The employer filed a timely request for hearing. On February 27, 2018, the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) mailed notice of a hearing scheduled for March 13, 2018 at 10:45 a.m. On March 8, 2018, OAH allowed claimant's request to postpone the hearing, and OAH mailed notice of a hearing scheduled for April 3, 2018 at 10:45 a.m. On April 2, 2018, OAH denied claimant's request for another postponement. On April 3, 2018, ALJ Wyatt issued Order No. 18-UI-106516, dismissing the employer's request for hearing for employer's failure to appear at the hearing. On April 6, 2018, the employer filed a request to reopen the April 3rd hearing. On April 12, 2018, OAH mailed notice of a hearing scheduled for April 27, 2018 at 10:45 a.m., at which the employer again failed to appear. On April 30, 2018, ALJ Wyatt issued Order No. 18-UI-108352, dismissing employer's request to reopen for failure to appear at the hearing. On May 17, 2018, the employer filed a request to reopen the April 27th hearing. On May 22, 2018, OAH mailed notice of a hearing scheduled for June 8, 2018 at 10:45 a.m. On June 8, 2018, ALJ Wyatt conducted a hearing, at which time the employer appeared, and issued Order No. 18-UI-111472, denying the employer's reopen request. On July 2, 2018, the employer filed an application for review with the Employment Appeals Board (EAB).

The only issue before EAB on review is whether or not the employer had good cause to reopen the April 27th hearing. Only if the employer established good cause to reopen the April 27th hearing would the next issue come before EAB, which is whether or not the employer had good cause to reopen the April 3rd hearing. Only if the employer established good cause to reopen the April 3rd hearing would claimant's work separation be at issue.

The employer failed to certify that they provided a copy of their argument to the other parties as required by OAR 471-041-0080(2)(a) (October 29, 2006). Therefore, we did not consider the argument when reaching this decision.

EAB reviewed the entire hearing record. On *de novo* review and pursuant to ORS 657.275(2), the hearing decision under review is **adopted**.

DECISION: Order No. 18-UI-111472 is affirmed.

J. S. Cromwell and S. Alba; D. P. Hettle, not participating.

DATE of Service: <u>July 13, 2018</u>

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