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### **Employment Appeals Board**

875 Union St. N.E. Salem, OR 97311

# EMPLOYMENT APPEALS BOARD DECISION 2022-EAB-1041

Late Applications for Review Allowed Affirmed

Ineligible for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance Weeks 25-20 through 35-20 and 12-21 through 26-21

PROCEDURAL HISTORY AND FINDINGS OF FACT: On August 8, 2022, the Oregon Employment Department (the Department) served a Notice of Determination for Pandemic Unemployment Assistance (PUA) concluding that claimant was ineligible for PUA benefits from June 14, 2020 through August 29, 2020 (weeks 25-20 through 35-20). Also on August 8, 2022, the Department served a Notice of Determination for PUA concluding that claimant was ineligible for PUA benefits from March 21, 2021 through July 3, 2021 (weeks 12-21 through 26-21). Claimant filed timely requests for hearing on both PUA determinations. On September 13, 2022, ALJ Janzen conducted a consolidated hearing, and on September 14, 2022 issued Orders No. 22-UI-202601 and 22-UI-202602, affirming the August 8, 2022 PUA determinations. On October 4, 2022, Orders No. 22-UI-202601 and 22-UI-202602 became final without claimant having filed a timely application for review with the Employment Appeals Board (EAB). On October 11, 2022, claimant filed late applications for review of Orders No. 22-UI-202601 and 22-UI-202602 with EAB.

Pursuant to OAR 471-041-0095 (October 29, 2006), EAB consolidated its review of Orders No. 22-UI-202601 and 22-UI-202602. For case-tracking purposes, this decision is being issued in duplicate (EAB Decisions 2022-EAB-1041 and 2022-EAB-1042).

**EVIDENTIARY MATTER:** EAB has considered additional evidence when reaching this decision under OAR 471-041-0090(1) (May 13, 2019). The additional evidence is the written statement claimant provided with his applications for review, and has been marked as EAB Exhibit 1, and a copy provided to the parties with this decision. Any party that objects to our admitting EAB Exhibit 1 must submit such objection to this office in writing, setting forth the basis of the objection in writing, within ten days of our mailing this decision. OAR 471-041-0090(2). Unless such objection is received and sustained, the exhibit will remain in the record.

**CONCLUSIONS AND REASONS:** Claimant's late applications for review are allowed. Claimant is not eligible for PUA benefits for weeks 25-20 through 35-20 and weeks 12-21 through 26-21.

Late Applications for Review. An application for review is timely if it is filed within 20 days of the date that the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) mailed the order for which review is sought. ORS 657.270(6); OAR 471-041-0070(1) (May 13, 2019). The 20-day filing period may be extended a "reasonable time" upon a showing of "good cause." ORS 657.875; OAR 471-041-0070(2). "Good cause" means that factors or circumstances beyond the applicant's reasonable control prevented timely filing. OAR 471-041-0070(2)(a). A "reasonable time" is seven days after the circumstances that prevented the timely filing ceased to exist. OAR 471-041-0070(2)(b). A late application for review will be dismissed unless it includes a written statement describing the circumstances that prevented a timely filing. OAR 471-041-0070(3).

The applications for review of Orders No. 22-UI-202601 and 22-UI-202602 were due by October 4, 2022. Because claimant did not file his applications for review until October 11, 2022, the applications for review were late. Claimant provided a written statement with the applications for review. In it, claimant stated that he did not receive Orders No. 22-UI-202601 and 22-UI-202602 in the mail and learned of their existence on October 11, 2022 when someone from the Department or the Office of Administrative Hearings (OAH) returned his phone call. Furthermore, the certificate of mailing of both Orders No. 22-UI-202601 and 22-UI-202602 show that the orders were mailed to an address with the apartment number 38. At hearing, claimant informed the ALJ that his address had changed from apartment number 38, to apartment number 169. Audio Record at 4:49 to 5:24.

Thus, it is evident that OAH mailed Orders No. 22-UI-202601 and 22-UI-202602 to the wrong address despite being provided with the correct address by claimant. Claimant failed to file timely applications for review because he did not receive Orders No. 22-UI-202601 and 22-UI-202602 in the mail, which was a circumstance beyond his reasonable control. Claimant filed his applications for review on October 11, 2022, which was the same day (and thus within seven days of) the date that claimant became aware of Orders No. 22-UI-202601 and 22-UI-202602. Claimant therefore filed his applications for review within a reasonable time after the circumstances that prevented a timely filing ceased to exist. Claimant therefore established good cause to extend the filing deadline a reasonable time to October 11, 2022, and the late applications for review are allowed.

Eligibility for PUA weeks 15-20 through 35-20 and 12-21 through 26-21. EAB reviewed the entire consolidated hearing record. On *de novo* review and pursuant to ORS 657.275(2), the orders under review are **adopted**.

**DECISION:** Claimant's late applications for review of Orders No. 22-UI-202601 and 22-UI-202602 are allowed. Orders No. 22-UI-202601 and 22-UI-202602 are affirmed.

D. Hettle and A. Steger-Bentz;

S. Serres, not participating.

#### DATE of Service: <u>December 20, 2022</u>

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#### Khmer

ចំណុចសំខាន់ – សេចក្តីសម្រេចនេះមានផលប៉ះពាល់ដល់អត្ថប្រយោជន៍គ្មានការងារធ្វើរបស់លោកអ្នក។ ប្រសិនបើលោកអ្នកមិន យល់អំពីសេចក្តីសម្រេចនេះ សូមទាក់ទងគណៈកម្មការឧទ្ធរណ៍ការងារភ្លាមៗ។ ប្រសិនបើលោកអ្នកមិនយល់ស្របចំពោះសេចក្តី សម្រេចនេះទេ លោកអ្នកអាចដាក់ពាក្យប្តឹងសុំឲ្យមានការពិនិត្យរឿងក្តីឡើងវិញជាមួយតុលារឧទ្ធរណ៍រដ្ឋ Oregon ដោយអនុវត្តតាម សេចក្តីណែនាំដែលសរសេរនៅខាងចុងបញ្ចប់នៃសេចក្តីសម្រេចនេះ។

#### Laotian

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#### Farsi

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