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# State of Oregon **Employment Appeals Board**

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# EMPLOYMENT APPEALS BOARD DECISION 2024-EAB-0861-R

EAB Decision 2024-EAB-0861 Adhered to On Reconsideration Disqualification

PROCEDURAL HISTORY AND FINDINGS OF FACT: On October 7, 2024, the Oregon Employment Department (the Department) served notice of an administrative decision concluding that claimant voluntarily quit work without good cause and was therefore disqualified from receiving unemployment insurance benefits effective September 8, 2024 (decision # L0006545214). Claimant filed a timely request for hearing. On November 26, 2024, ALJ Schmidt conducted a hearing, and on December 4, 2024, issued Order No. 24-UI-275605, affirming decision # L0006545214. On December 17, 2024, claimant filed an application for review with the Employment Appeals Board (EAB). On January 15, 2025, EAB issued EAB Decision 2024-EAB-0861, affirming Order No. 24-UI-275605. On January 17, 2025, after EAB issued EAB Decision 2024-EAB-0861, EAB received from claimant a timely-filed written argument. On its own motion, EAB has therefore reconsidered its decision. This decision is issued pursuant to EAB's authority under ORS 657.290(3).

**WRITTEN ARGUMENT:** Claimant's argument contained information that was not part of the hearing record, regarding her desire to maintain her employment for the sake of maintaining her health insurance coverage, and did not show that factors or circumstances beyond claimant's reasonable control prevented her from offering the information during the hearing. Under ORS 657.275(2) and OAR 471-041-0090 (May 13, 2019), EAB considered only information received into evidence at the hearing when reaching this decision. EAB considered the rest of claimant's argument to the extent it was based on the record.

Claimant argued that she faced a grave situation as a result of the owner's wife failing to provide her with gloves, as requested, during a three-week period in July 2024 when claimant was handling a hazardous substance. Claimant's Written Argument at 1. The record shows that the gloves were eventually provided in late July 2024, and does not suggest that claimant was denied requested

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Decision # L0006545214 stated that claimant was denied benefits from September 8, 2024, to September 6, 2025. However, decision # L0006545214 should have stated that claimant was disqualified from receiving benefits beginning Sunday, September 8, 2024, and until she earned four times her weekly benefit amount. See ORS 657.176.

protective equipment thereafter. Transcript at 22. To the extent this incident factored into claimant's decision to quit work several weeks later, on September 9, 2024, she did not meet her burden of showing that this constituted a grave situation at the time she quit. Accordingly, consideration of claimant's written argument would not have affected the outcome of EAB Decision 2024-EAB-0861.

**CONCLUSIONS AND REASONS:** EAB Decision 2024-EAB-0861 is reconsidered on EAB's own motion. EAB Decision 2024-EAB-0861 is adhered to on reconsideration.

ORS 657.290(3) authorizes EAB to reconsider any previous decision of the Employment Appeals Board, including "the making of a new decision to the extent necessary and appropriate for the correction of previous error of fact or law." "Any party may request reconsideration to correct an error of material fact or law, or to explain any unexplained inconsistency with Employment Department rule, or officially stated Employment Department position, or prior Employment Department practice." OAR 471-041-0145(1) (May 13, 2019).

Claimant filed a timely written argument. EAB issued EAB Decision 2024-EAB-0861 before the written argument due date. EAB has therefore reconsidered, on its own motion, EAB Decision 2024-EAB-0861. After considering claimant's written argument, EAB Decision 2024-EAB-0861 is adhered to on reconsideration, as explained above.

**DECISION:** EAB Decision 2024-EAB-0861 is reconsidered on EAB's own motion. EAB Decision 2024-EAB-0861 is adhered to on reconsideration.

D. Hettle and A. Steger-Bentz;

S. Serres, not participating.

DATE of Service: February 4, 2025

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# **English**

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# **Simplified Chinese**

注意 - 本判决会影响您的失业救济金。 如果您不明白本判决, 请立即联系就业上诉委员会。 如果您不同意此判决,您可以按照该判决结尾所写的说明,向俄勒冈州上诉法院提出司法复审申请。

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#### **Vietnamese**

Chú ý - Quyết định này ảnh hưởng đến trợ cấp thất nghiệp của quý vị. Nếu quý vị không hiểu quyết định này, hãy liên lạc với Ban Kháng Cáo Việc Làm ngay lập tức. Nếu quý vị không đồng ý với quyết định này, quý vị có thể nộp Đơn Xin Tái Xét Tư Pháp với Tòa Kháng Cáo Oregon theo các hướng dẫn được viết ra ở cuối quyết định này.

### **Spanish**

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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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