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Introduction and Procedural History of this Appeal

The employer appeals a decision by a review examiner of the Department of Unemployment Assistance (DUA) to award the claimant benefits following his separation from employment. We review, pursuant to our authority under G.L. c. 151A, § 41, and affirm.

On May 3, 2024, the agency initially determined that the claimant was not entitled to unemployment benefits. The claimant appealed, and both parties attended the hearing. In a decision rendered on June 20, 2024, the review examiner reversed the agency determination, concluding that the claimant involuntarily left employment for urgent, compelling, and necessitous reasons and, thus, was not disqualified under G.L. c. 151A, § 25(e)(1). The Board accepted the employer's application for review.

Ruling of the Board

After considering the recorded testimony and evidence from the hearing, the review examiner's decision, and the employer's appeal, we conclude that the review examiner's decision is based on substantial evidence and is free from any error of law affecting substantive rights.

The employer will not be charged for any benefits paid to the claimant under this claim, in accordance with G.L. c. 151A, § 14(d)(3).

The review examiner's decision is affirmed. The claimant is entitled to receive benefits for the week beginning March 17, 2024, and for subsequent weeks, if otherwise eligible.

**BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS**  
**DATE OF DECISION - July 29, 2024**



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Chairman Paul T. Fitzgerald, Esq. did not participate in this decision.

**ANY FURTHER APPEAL WOULD BE TO A MASSACHUSETTS  
STATE DISTRICT COURT  
(See Section 42, Chapter 151A, General Laws, Enclosed)**

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