RESTRICTED DELIVERY CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED

Before the Iowa Department of Public Health

IN THE MATTER OF:

Case Number: 12-08-03

Lori Wheeler
1308 ½ 13th Street
Belle Plaine, Iowa 52208-1324

SUSPENSION

Certification: EMT-18-326-22

Pursuant to the provisions of Iowa Code Sections 17A.18, 147A.7, and Iowa Administrative Code (I.A.C.) 641—131.7, the Iowa Department of Public Health is proposing to indefinitely **SUSPEND** the emergency medical care provider certification identified above.

The department may suspend an EMS certification when it finds that the applicant or certificate holder has committed any of the following acts or offenses:

Willful or repeated violations of Iowa Code Chapter 147 or these rules IAC 641—131.7(3)s

Specifically;

The certificate holder must notify the department within 30 days of a change of address. *IAC* 641—131.4(5)g

The following incident resulted in issuance of this proposed action:

On March 18, 2012, you completed a renewal application for your EMT certification. On the renewal, you indicated that, during the certification period, you had:

- 1. developed a medical condition which impaired or limited your ability to provide emergency medical care.
- 2. been engaged in the illegal or improper use of drugs or other chemical substances
- 3. been found convicted of, found guilty or entered a plea of no contest to a felony or misdemeanor crime.
- 4. a license issued to you by any state, other jurisdiction of the United States or any other nation, limited, restricted, warned, censured, placed on probation, suspended, revoked or otherwise disciplined.
- 5. been sued in connection with your emergency medical functions.

On July 5, 2012, the Department attempted to deliver a letter to you via certified mail at your address of record. The letter was returned as "NOT DELIVERABLE AS ADDRESSED

UNABLE TO FORWARD." Attempts to contact you at the phone number of record were also unsuccessful.

Your certification shall be suspended until:

- 1) You provide a current address.
- 2) You provide a letter addressing the following:
 - a. Concerning your medical condition, submit letter from a physician describing your condition and explaining how the condition will affect your ability to provide emergency medical care.
 - b. Related to the illegal or improper use of drugs, submit a letter from your physician or treatment program that identifies your current or past treatment status. The letter should also explain how your condition may affect your ability to perform emergency medical functions.
 - c. Concerning the misdemeanor or felony requests that you submit the dates, locations, charges, court dispositions and current status of the charges. If the charge was a crime against person, include copies of the charging order and court disposition records. If the charge involved the use of alcohol or drugs, include any court ordered substance abuse evaluation.
 - d. In regards to the action against your license, submit the dates, locations, charges, reasons and current status of the license.
 - e. The department also requests that you submit the dates, locations, charges, reasons and current status of the lawsuit brought against you.
- 3) The information is reviewed and approved by the Department.

You have the right to request a hearing concerning this notice of disciplinary action. A request for a hearing must be submitted in writing to the Department by certified mail, return receipt requested, within twenty (20) days of receipt of this Notice of Proposed Action. The written request must be submitted to the Iowa Department of Public Health, Bureau of Emergency Medical Services, Lucas State Office Building, 321 E 12th St, Des Moines, Iowa 50319. If the request is made within the twenty (20) day time limit, the proposed action is suspended pending the outcome of the hearing. Prior to or at the hearing, the Department may rescind the notice upon satisfaction that the reason for the action has been or will be removed.

If no request for a hearing is received within the twenty (20) day time period, the disciplinary action proposed herein shall become effective and shall be final agency action.

8-20-2012 Date

Gerd W. Clabaugh

Deputy Director and

Director, Division of Acute Disease Prevention and Emergency Response