

**WAC 82-04-060 Good cause requirements.** (1) If a person with a right to an adjudicative proceeding under chapter 77, Laws of 2003, files a request for hearing after the period for doing so has passed, the person must show good cause why the request for hearing should be granted.

(2) (a) If the ALJ finds good cause for filing a late hearing request, the ALJ shall conduct a hearing on the merits.

(b) If the ALJ does not find good cause for filing a late hearing request, the agency's overpayment decision is deemed final and the agency shall proceed to collect the wage overpayment as provided in chapter 77, Laws of 2003.

(3) As used in this section, "good cause" means a substantial reason or legal justification for failing to file a request for an adjudicative proceeding within the time period mandated by statute.

[Statutory Authority: 2003 c 77. WSR 03-21-024, § 82-04-060, filed 10/7/03, effective 11/7/03.]