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The following Decision is distributed for your information. This Decision has been made in consideration of the specific facts of this case. This Decision is not to be interpreted as establishing any new mandatory policy or procedure otherwise officially promulgated.

STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

FINAL DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HPW **00838-24 A.B.**

AGENCY DKT. NO. **C083480001 (ATLANTIC CO. DEPT OF FAM. & COM. DEV)**

Petitioner appeals from the Respondent Agency's termination of her Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program ("SNAP") benefits, due to a failure to provide requested documentation. Because Petitioner appealed, the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing. On March 13, 2024, the Honorable Robert D. Herman, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ,") held a telephonic plenary hearing, took testimony, and admitted documents. The record was held upon until March 14, 2024, to allow the Agency to provide a copy of the envelope Petitioner had mailed to the Agency in February, 2024, and the record then closed. On March 28, 2024, the ALJ issued an Initial Decision, reversing the Agency's determination, and remanding the matter to the Agency for recalculation, and, if appropriate, for recapturing of overpaid SNAP benefits.

This office has been advised that the Agency is rescinding its termination of Petitioner's SNAP benefits, effective December 1, 2023. As Petitioner received continued assistance pending the outcome of this matter, any retroactive benefits owed as a result of the rescission shall be provided, as appropriate. Therefore, as Assistant Commissioner, Division of Family Development, Department of Human Services, I find that, as a contested case no longer exists, this matter has now been rendered moot, and as such, I hereby DISMISS Petitioner's appeal.

Accordingly, Petitioner's appeal now being deemed moot, the matter is hereby DISMISSED.

Officially approved final version. May 09, 2024

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Natasha Johnson  
Assistant Commissioner

