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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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FINAL DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HPW 07954-19 G.A.

AGENCY DKT. NO. C431284004 (CAMDEN COUNTY BOARD OF SOC. SVCS.)

Petitioner appeals from Respondent Agency's termination of Emergency Assistance ("EA") benefits. The Agency terminated Petitioner's EA benefits, contending that her housing was above the Fair Market Rent for Camden County, and that she had failed to locate affordable housing. Because Petitioner appealed, the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing. On July 15, 2019, the Honorable Dean J. Buono, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ"), held a plenary hearing, took testimony, and admitted documents. On July 19, 2019, the ALJ issued an Initial Decision, affirming the Agency's determination.

This office has been advised that the Agency is rescinding its termination of Petitioner's EA benefits. Therefore, as the Director of the Division of Family Development, Department of Human Services, I hereby ORDER and DIRECT the Agency to provide Petitioner with EA benefits. Further, I find that this matter has now been rendered moot, and therefore DISMISS Petitioner's appeal.

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

Officially approved final version.

AUG 15 2019

Natasha Johnson
Director

