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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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FINAL DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HPW 12766-19 G.H.

AGENCY DKT. NO. C036696020 (UNION COUNTY DIVISION OF SOC. SVCS.)

Petitioner challenges the correctness of the Respondent Agency's determination that Petitioner does not qualify for Work First New Jersey/General Assistance ("WFNJ/GA") benefits at the unemployable rate. Because Petitioner appealed, the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing. On October 11, 2019, the Honorable Nanci G. Stokes, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ"), held a plenary hearing, took testimony, and admitted documents. On October 21, 2019, the ALJ issued an Initial Decision, affirming the Agency's determination.

This office has been advised that the Agency is rescinding its denial of WFNJ/GA benefits to Petitioner at the unemployable rate. 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 WFNJ/GA benefits at the unemployable rate for the period of August 14, 2019, through February 13, 2020. 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.

Natasha Johnson
Assistant Commissioner

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