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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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FINAL DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HPW 11039-19 Z.I.

AGENCY DKT. NO. C123599006 (CUMBERLAND COUNTY BD OF SOC SVCS.)

Petitioner challenges the correctness of the Respondent Agency's recoupment of Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program ("SNAP"), and Work First New Jersey/General Assistance ("WFNJ/GA") benefits due to an unreported change in Petitioner's residency status. Because Petitioner appealed, the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing. On August 28, 2019, the Honorable Kathleen M. Calemme, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ"), held a plenary hearing, took testimony and admitted documents into evidence. On September 6, 2019, the ALJ issued an Initial Decision, affirming the Agency's the overissuance and recoupment of SNAP and WFNJ/GA benefits to Petitioner.

This office has been advised that the Agency is rescinding its determination to recoup the purported overpayment of WFNJ/GA and SNAP benefits. Therefore, as the Director of the Division of Family Development, Department of Human Services, I hereby ORDER and DIRECT the Agency not to seek recoupment of WFNJ/GA and SNAP benefits from Petitioner. 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.

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Natasha Johnson
Assistant Commissioner

