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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

FINAL DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HPW 848-15 J.M. .

AGENCY DKT. NO. C238815 (ESSEX COUNTY DIVISION OF WELFARE)

Petitioner appeals from the Respondent Agency's termination during recertification for her Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program ("SNAP"), f/k/a the Food Stamp Program, benefits. The Agency terminated Petitioner's SNAP benefits due to a failure to cooperate. Because Petitioner appealed, the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing. On February 19, 2015, the Honorable Sandra Ann Robinson, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ"), held a plenary hearing and took testimony.

On March 4, 2015, the ALJ issued her Initial Decision, dismissing the matter. The ALJ indicated that the matter has been resolved and Petitioner is now receiving SNAP benefits. See Initial Decision at 2. As such, the contested issue was now moot and the ALJ dismissed the matter. Ibid.

No Exceptions to this Initial Decision were filed.

As the Director of the Division of Family Development, Department of Human Services, I have considered the ALJ's Initial Decision which is hereby ADOPTED. As the contested issue in the case is now moot, I deem the matter is DISMISSED.

Jeanette Page-Hawkins Director