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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

FINAL DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HPW 7301-15 K.R.

AGENCY DKT. NO. C131439 (HUDSON COUNTY DEPT OF FAM SVCS)

Petitioner appeals from Respondent Agency's denial of Emergency Assistance ("EA") benefits. The Agency denied Petitioner EA benefits because she failed to provide it with a Supplemental Security Income ("SSI") verification letter. Because Petitioner appealed, the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing. On May 22, 2015, the Honorable Tiffany M. Williams, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ"), held a plenary hearing and took testimony. No documents were admitted into evidence. On May 22, 2015, the ALJ issued an Initial Decision, which reversed the Agency's action.

No exceptions to the Initial Decision were received.

As the Director of the Division of Family Development, Department of Human Services, I have reviewed the ALJ's Initial Decision and the record, and I ADOPT the ALJ's Initial Decision and REVERSE the Agency's determination.

Accordingly, the Initial Decision is ADOPTED and the Agency's action is REVERSED.

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