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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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FINAL DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HPW 01166-20 A.D.

AGENCY DKT. NO. C708413007 (ESSEX COUNTY DIVISION OF WELFARE)

Petitioner appeals from the Respondent Agency's denial of Emergency Assistance ("EA") benefits in the form of Temporary Rental Assistance ("TRA"). The Agency denied Petitioner EA/TRA benefits, contending that the housing that she had secured was a two-bedroom apartment, and as an assistance unit ("AU") of one, she was only allowed a one-bedroom apartment. Because Petitioner appealed, the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing. On February 5, 2020, the Honorable Sarah H. Sargent, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ"), held a plenary hearing, took testimony, and admitted documents.

This office has been advised that the Agency is rescinding its denial of EA benefits to Petitioner. As such, 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

