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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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FINAL DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HPW **02562-23 V.J.**

AGENCY DKT. NO. **C020270001 (ATLANTIC CO. DEPT OF FAM. & COM. DEV)**

Petitioner appeals from the Respondent Agency's denial of Emergency Assistance ("EA"), benefits, and the imposition of a six-month ineligibility period for EA benefits. Because Petitioner appealed, the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing. On March 27, 2023, the Honorable Kimberly M. Wilson, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ"), held a telephonic plenary hearing, took testimony, and admitted documents. On March 28, 2023, the ALJ issued an Initial Decision, reversing the Agency's determinations.

This office has been advised that the Agency is rescinding its denial of EA benefits to Petitioner, and the imposition of a six-month EA ineligibility penalty. Therefore, as Assistant Commissioner, Division of Family Development, Department of Human Services, I hereby ORDER and DIRECT the Agency to provide Petitioner with EA benefits. Further, I find that this matter has now been rendered moot, and therefore, DISMISS Petitioner's appeal.

Accordingly, as Petitioner's appeal on this issue has now been deemed moot, the matter is hereby DISMISSED.

Officially approved final version. April 4, 2023

Natasha Johnson
Assistant Commissioner

