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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
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FINAL DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HPW 15335-15 S.C.

AGENCY DKT. NO. C244722 (PASSAIC COUNTY BOARD OF SOC. SVCS.)

Petitioner appeals from the Respondent Agency's termination of Emergency Assistance ("EA") benefits. The Agency terminated Petitioner's EA benefits because she has exhausted her lifetime limit of EA benefits, plus all available extensions. Because Petitioner appealed, the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing. On October 26, 2015, the Honorable Irene Jones, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ"), held a plenary hearing, took testimony, and admitted documents.

On December 15, 2015, the ALJ issued an Initial Decision, affirming the Agency's determination. The ALJ found that Petitioner had received 24 months of EA benefits, and did not meet the criteria for an extension of EA benefits. See Initial Decision at 2.

No Exceptions to the Initial Decision were received.

As the Director of the Division of Family Development ("DFD"), Department of Human Services, I have considered the ALJ's Initial Decision, and following an independent review of the record, I concur with the ALJ's final conclusion in this matter and hereby ADOPT the Findings of Fact and Conclusion of Law in this matter.

Accordingly, the Initial Decision in this matter is hereby ADOPTED and the Agency's determination is AFFIRMED.

Signed Copy on File
at DFD, BARA

JAN 21 2016

Natasha Johnson
Director