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**STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES
DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE
AND HEALTH SERVICES**

E.S.,

PETITIONER,

v.

DIVISION OF MEDICAL ASSISTANCE
AND HEALTH SERVICES AND
CUMBERLAND COUNTY BOARD
OF SOCIAL SERVICES,
RESPONDENTS.

ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 16448-16

As Director of the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, I have reviewed the record in this matter, consisting of the Initial Decision, the documents in evidence and the entire contents of the OAL case file. No exceptions to the Initial Decision were filed. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to file a Final Agency Decision is March 13, 2017, in accordance with N.J.S.A. 52:14B-10, which requires an Agency Head to adopt, reject or

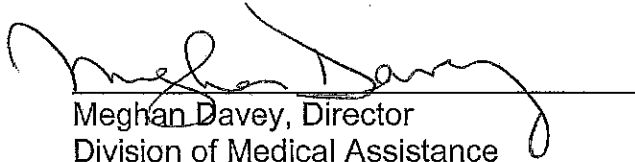
modify the Initial Decision within 45 days of the agency's receipt. The Initial Decision was received on January 27, 2017.

Based upon my review of the record, I hereby ADOPT the Initial Decision in its entirety and incorporate the same herein by reference. The issue presented here is whether Petitioner provided the necessary verification for the Cumberland County Board of Social Services to make an eligibility determination. The credible evidence in the record indicates that Petitioner failed to provide the needed information prior to the September 30, 2016 denial of benefits. Without this information, the County was unable to complete its eligibility determination and the denial was appropriate.

THEREFORE, it is on this 3rd day of March 2017,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision is hereby ADOPTED.


Meghan Davey, Director
Division of Medical Assistance
and Health Services