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R.B.,

PETITIONER,

**ADMINISTRATIVE ACTION** 

V.

FINAL AGENCY DECISION

AMERIGROUP,

OAL DKT. NO. HMA 04790-2019

RESPONDENT.

As Director of the Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services, I have reviewed the record in this case, including the OAL case file and the Initial Decision approving the Settlement Agreement reached by the parties. Procedurally, the time period for the Agency Head to file a Final Decision is July 1, 2019, 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 receipt. The Initial Decision was received on May 15, 2019.

This matter arises from a reduction in the number of personal care assistance (PCA) hours provided to Petitioner. The parties entered into a settlement on the record whereby Respondent agreed to provide Petitioner with a mutually agreed upon number of PCA hours per week. Respondent will continue to provide Petitioner with those hours until Petitioner's next reassessment or a change in Petitioner's circumstances. By Initial Decision dated May 10, 2019, the ALJ approved the Settlement Agreement because it was

consistent with the law, fully disposed of all issues in controversy and was voluntarily entered into by both parties in accordance with N.J.A.C. 1:11-19.1.

Based on my review of the record, I concur with the ALJ's findings and hereby ADOPT the Settlement Agreement.

THEREFORE, it is on this Hay of JUNE 2019,

ORDERED:

That the Initial Decision affirming the Settlement Agreement in this matter is hereby ADOPTED.

Carol Grant, Acting Director Division of Medical Assistance and Health Services