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STATE OF NEW JERSEY
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

FINAL DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HPW 13201-14 M.H.

AGENCY DKT. NO. C111789 (ATLANTIC CO. DEPT OF FAM. & COM. DEV)

Petitioner appeals from the Respondent Agency's termination of Work First New Jersey/Temporary Assistance for Needy Families ("WFNJ/TANF"). Because Petitioner appealed, the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing. On November 18, 2014, the Honorable John S. Kennedy, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ"), held a plenary hearing, heard testimony, and admitted documents. On December 8, 2014, the ALJ issued an Initial Decision which affirmed the Agency determination.

Neither party submitted exceptions.

As the Director of the Division of Family Development, I independently reviewed the record and hereby ADOPT the findings of fact and conclusions of law in the Initial Decision, as though set forth herein at length, and AFFIRM the Agency determination.

The Agency appropriately terminated WFNJ/TANF in the absence of an eligible child in the assistance unit: petitioner's only child is 18 years of age and enrolled in college. N.J.A.C. 10:90-2.17(a). I note Petitioner applied for, and is currently receiving, WFNJ/General Assistance and Emergency Assistance in the form of Temporary Rental Assistance.

For the foregoing reasons, I ADOPT the Initial Decision and AFFIRM the Agency determination.

DEC 29 2014

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Director