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STATE OF NEW JERSEY  
DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

FINAL DECISION

OAL DKT. NO. HPW 9599-14 B.M.

AGENCY DKT. NO. S463841 (MORRIS CO. OFFICE OF TEMP ASSISTANCE)

Petitioner appeals from the Respondent Agency's termination of his Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program ("SNAP"), f/k/a the Food Stamp Program, benefits. The Agency terminated Petitioner's SNAP benefits as it contended that Petitioner's income exceeded the maximum permissible income level for receipt of benefits. Because Petitioner appealed, the matter was transmitted to the Office of Administrative Law for a hearing. On September 11, 2014, the Honorable Michael Antoniewicz, Administrative Law Judge ("ALJ"), held a plenary hearing, took testimony and admitted documents into evidence.

On September 23, 2014, the ALJ issued his Initial Decision, affirming the Agency's determination. The ALJ found that the credible evidence presented in the matter substantiated the Agency's position that Petitioner's income exceeded the applicable threshold limit for receipt of benefits, thereby rendering Petitioner ineligible for benefits. See Initial Decision at 5-6.

No Exceptions to this Initial Decision were filed.

As the Director of the Division of Family Development, 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 decision 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.

**SEP 30 2014**

*Signed Copy on File*  
at DFD, BARA

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Jeanette Page-Hawkins  
Director