STATE OF MICHIGAN MICHIGAN ADMINISTRATIVE HEARING SYSTEM ADMINISTRATIVE HEARINGS FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF:

 Reg. No.:	2011-50275
Issue No.:	1000
Case No.:	
Hearing Date:	October 3, 2011
 County:	Oakland County DHS
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ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE: Susan C. Burke

SETTLEMENT ORDER

This matter is before the undersigned Admini strative Law Judge pursuant to MCL 400.9 and MCL 400.37 following Claim ant's request for a hearing. After due notice, a telephone hearing was held on October 3, 2011, from Detroit, Michigan. Participants on behalf of Claimant included Claim ant. Participants on behalf of the Department of Human Services (Department) included

<u>ISSUE</u>

Whether the Department properly:	
 ☑ denied Claimant's application for benefits ☐ closed Claimant's case for benefits ☐ reduced Claimant's benefits 	
for:	
 ☐ Family Independence Program (FIP)? ☐ Food Assistance Program (FAP)? ☐ Medical Assistance (MA)? ☐ Adult Medical Assistance (AMP)? 	☐ State Disability Assistance (SDA)? ☐ Child Development and Care (CDC)? ☐ State Emergency Services (SER)?

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Administrative Law Judge, based upon the competent, material, and substantial evidence on the whole record, finds as material fact:

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1.	On December 18, 2010, the Department:
	 ☑ denied Claimant's application for benefits ☐ closed Claimant's case for benefits ☐ reduced Claimant's benefits
	under the following program(s):
	⊠ FIP □ FAP □ MA □ AMP □ SDA □ CDC □ SER.
2.	On December 18, 2010, the Department sent notice to Cla imant (or Claim ant's Authorized Hearing Representative) of the:
	☑ denial☐ closure☐ reduction.
3.	On January 12, 2011, Claimant fil ed a request for hearing c oncerning the Department's action.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Department policies are found in the Bridges Administrative Manual (BAM), the Bridges Eligibility Manual (BEM), the Reference Tables Manual (RFT), and the State Emergency Relief Manual (ERM).

The Family Independence Program (FIP) was established pursuant to the Personal Responsibility and W ork Opportunity Reconc iliation Act of 1996, Public Law 104-193, 42 USC 601, et seq. The Department (formerly k nown as the Family Independence Agency) administers FIP pursuant to MCL 400.10, et seq., and 1999 AC, Rule 400.3101 through Rule 400.3131. FIP replaced the Aid to Dependent Children (ADC) program effective October 1, 1996.

The law pr ovides that disposition may be made of a contest ed case by s tipulation or agreed settlement. MCL 24.278(2).

In the present case, Claimant requested a hearing to dispute the Department's action. Soon after commencement of the hearing, the parties testified that they had reached a settlement concerning the disputed action. Consequently, the Department agreed to do the following: iss ue FIP s upplements to Clai mant November 1, 2010 and ongoing, if Claimant otherwise qualified for FIP.

As a result of this settlement, Claimant no longer wish ed to proceed with the hearing. As such, it is unnecessary for this Administrative Law Judge to render a decision regarding the facts and issues in this case.

DECISION AND ORDER

The Administrative Law Judge concludes that the Department and Claimant have come to a settlement regarding Claimant's request for a hearing.

THE DEPARTMENT IS ORDERED TO DO THE FOLLOWING:

Issue FIP supplements to Claimant, Nove mber 1, 2010 and ongoing, if Claimant is otherwise eligible for FIP.

Susan C. Burke Administrative Law Judge for Maura Corrigan, Director Department of Human Services

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Date Signed: 10/6/11

Date Mailed: 10/6/11

NOTICE: Michigan Administrative Hearing System (MAHS) may order a rehearing or reconsideration on either its own motion or at the request of a par ty within 30 days of the mailing date of this Dec ision and Order. MAHS will not order a rehearing or reconsideration on the Department's mo tion where the final decis ion cannot be implemented within 90 days of the filing of the original request. (60 days for FAP cases)

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The Claimant may appeal the Decision and Order to Circuit Court within 30 days of the receipt of the Decision and Order or, if a ti mely request for rehearing was made, within 30 days of the receipt date of the rehearing decision.

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