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Dear Mr. Lawson:

This is to let you know that your **Individualized Plan for Employment (IPE)** has ended and your case was closed on 7/25/2016 because transportation not feasible or available.

We discussed this closure with you and found that given your situation without regular, reliable transportation, you are not available for work either currently or in the future after you finish your degree through Empire State College. As I stressed, ACCES-VR wishes to assist you but without reliable transportation, we very unfortunately cannot assist until there is a change in your situation. I did double check to see if STAR was an option and confirmed you live too far off the established bus route to qualify.

If your circumstances change, please contact me.

If you do not agree with this decision by ACCES-VR, you have the right to ask for a review of the decision through an informal meeting, administrative review, mediation or impartial hearing. A request for a review must be made within 90 days of the date of this letter. A form requesting a review can be obtained by contacting Barbara Arisohn, District Office Manager, ACCES-VR - Albany District Office, 80 Wolf Rd Suite 200, Albany, NY 12205-2615, Phone: (518) 473-8097 or TTY: (518) 457-2318, Email: Barbara.Arisohn@nysed.gov. A brochure explaining this process called "ACCES-Vocational Rehabilitation due process rights" can be provided.

Please remember that the **Client Assistance Program (CAP)** is available to help you with this process. For further information, contact DISABILITY RIGHTS NEW YORK, Disability Advocates, Inc., 725 Broadway, Suite 450, Albany, NY 12207, Email: mail@disabilityadvocates.org, Local (voice): (518) 432-7861; Local (TTY): (518) 512-3448; Toll-Free: (800) 993-8982.

Independent Living Centers may also be of assistance and can be found throughout New York State. Your local Center can be reached at Phone: (518) 584-8202.

There are resources available, such as benefits and work incentives advisement, to help you understand how earnings may affect your cash and health care benefits. The service is aimed at providing you with reliable information on work incentives. Work incentives may allow you to increase your earnings while managing benefits. To learn more about these resources in New York State go to: <http://www.ilr.cornell.edu/edi/nymakesworkpay/rny-benefits.cfm>. Call the Work Incentives Hotline, toll-free at 1-888-224-3272 for any questions.