

Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of)	
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Petition for Waiver of)	
FCC Form 471 Filing Deadline)	
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Hico Independent School District)	CC Docket No. 02-6
(Hico Independent School District, BEN 141023)	
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Schools and Libraries Universal Service)	
Support Mechanism)	

**Petition for Waiver of
FCC Form 471 Filing Deadline for Funding Year 2018
RE: FCC Form 471 141023**

I. INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

The Hico Independent School District serves low income pre-kindergarten through Grade 12. In the last 20 years, Hico Independent District has been a very small but successful participant of the E-Rate program.

The Hico Independent School District went to fill out and certify Funding Year 2018 FCC Form 471, in the "Apply Online" portal of the Schools and Libraries Division ("SLD") of the Universal Service Administrative Company's ("USAC") website, on March 23, less than 24 hours after the window closed. The portal let us move forward with a warning that it wouldn't be accepted without a waiver. 471 forms in question are 181041912 and 181041909.

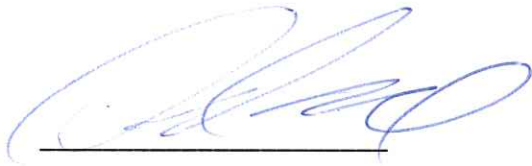
As the directory of technology of the rural Hico Independent School District works E-Rate into my already busy work schedule, and is the sole staff member performing E-Rate duties.

Unfortunately I did not realize that the window was closing earlier this year than in years past and when I went to file my 471 I realized my error. I did go ahead and filed the 471s electronically. This has never happened before and I assure you it will never happen again.

II. Request

The Hico Independent School District respectfully petitions the Commission to request a waiver of the Funding Year 2018 FCC Form 471 filing deadline on behalf of the Hico Independent School District to allow the Out of Window submission of their E-Rate Funding Year 2018 FCC Form 471 for forms 181041909 and 181041912. Please consider granting us this waiver. Note: Please disregard waiver # 20180326849920947. It was submitted before I figured out I needed to go ahead and file the 471s so that waiver appeal did not have the 471 #s on it.

Respectfully submitted,



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