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Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

      Re: Request for Waiver of Form 471 Filing Deadline for Funding Year 2018
      CC Docket No. 02-6

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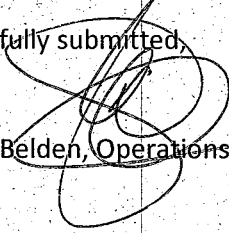FY 2018 Form 471 Application #: 181041823
Dear Ms. Dortch,

I am writing to respectfully request the FCC to grant a waiver of the Funding Year 2018 Form 471 deadline so that our Form 471 E-rate application will be considered as having been filed within the 'window.' The Form 471 was submitted on 3.23. 2018.

The allowable contract date for this application did not expire until 3.16.18 which delayed the bid evaluation process for the district. There was significant storm related issues which delayed not only that process but the actual filing of the application. Greenwich Township SD was closed on 3.21 and 3.22 – subsequently I did not receive the necessary information to complete the filing until 3.23.18 at which time the application was submitted and certified.

We realize that previous precedent is for the Commission to grant Form 471 deadline waiver requests if the Form was submitted within 14 days of the Form 471 deadline.[1] In light of the reasons stated above, we respectfully request the FCC view these extenuating circumstances as good cause to waive the Form 471 deadline for this application.

Thank you for your consideration of our request.

Respectfully submitted,

Dawn L Belden, Operations Director/E-Rate Consultant

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[1] *Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Academy of Math and Science et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 25 FCC Rcd 9256, 9259, para. 8 (2010) (Academy of Math and Science Order).*