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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Bath County Public School District ) CC Docket No. 02-6

(Bath County Public Schools District, BEN 126627 )

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Schools and Libraries Universal Service )

Support Mechanism )

**Petition for Waiver of**

**FCC Form 471 Filing Deadline for Funding Year 2019**

**RE: FCC Form 471 BEN** 126627

**I.**  **INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY**

The Bath County Public School Division (“Bath County Public Schools Division”) is a rural division that serves pre-kindergarten through Grade 12 children spanning one county in Virginia with an over 50% free and reduced lunch rate. Since 2012, Bath County Public Schools Division has been a very small but successful participant of the E-Rate program.

The Bath County Public Schools Division submitted and certified their Funding Year 2019 FCC Form 471, 191041539, in the “Apply Online” portal of the Schools and Libraries Division (“SLD”) of the Universal Service Administrative Company’s (“USAC”) website, on March 28, 2019, just one days after the FCC Form 471 filing deadline of March 27, 2019.

A staff member of the rural Bath County Public School Division works E-Rate into his already busy work schedule and is the sole staff member performing E-Rate duties. The staff member’s 89-year-old father had a serious fall requiring hospitalization and surgery and is moving into a rehab facility today. The staff member assisted in choosing the facility and assisted in discussions to convince his father that placement in a rehab facility was not going to be permanent and that he would be returning to his own home after the rehab was completed.

**II.** **Request**

The Bath County Public Schools Division respectfully petitions the Commission to request a waiver of the Funding Year 2019 FCC Form 471 filing deadline on behalf of Bath County public Schools Division to allow the Out of Window submission of their E-Rate Funding Year 2019 FCC Form 471 191041539, due to the staff member that was tasked with completing the firm working to get his father into a rehab facility.

Respectfully submitted,



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