

March 28, 2018

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 02-6

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FCC Form 471 Application #: 181030729

Dear Ms. Dortch,

I am writing to request that the FCC grant a waiver of the Funding Year 2018 Form 471 filing deadline and allow our Form 471 # 181030729 to be considered as having been filed within the Filing Window. The form was completed and "sent for review" before the Filing Window closed. I did try to print my 471 form on March 22nd after it was sent for review to make sure I had done everything correctly, but I could not log in. I called the Client Service Bureau and they explained that too many people were on USAC's servers and that I would not be able to log in. I will attach a copy of the screen shot I received when I tried to get access to EPC.

It was not until yesterday afternoon, March 27th when I was back in the office that I logged in to print a copy of my form that I realized it had been "sent for review" but had not been certified. I certified it immediately but realized it had been certified out of the filing window. I now have a better understanding of the steps required in certifying a form 471. I am filing this request for waiver on the following day. I understand that there is a precedent for these requests being approved if there are extenuating circumstances and they are submitted within two weeks from the close of the filing window.

Our small special education collaborative appreciates and relies on the reimbursements we have gotten through the program in the past. I respectfully request that the FCC consider these circumstances beyond my control as a reason to grant my request for waiver. Please let me know if any additional information is needed.

Respectfully submitted,

John Love
Business Administrator