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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Support Mechanism )

**Petition for Waiver of**

**FCC Form 471 Filing Deadline for Funding Year 2018**

**RE: FCC Form 471**  #181032659 and #181033343

Our organization completed the form 471 March 20th, 2018 which is two days ahead of the filing deadline. I went to check on the status and to my surprise and shock. The application showed it was not certified. I believe the E-Rate Productivity Center (EPC) system may have had some kind of error. I was well aware of the deadline and took the time to finish it two days before. I ensured it was sent for certification and I am now showing it was not. Unfortunately one of the downfalls of the EPC systems has been its instability and till this day it is still a work in progress. I have never had issues with the EPC system until now. Unfortunately one of the shortcomings of the system is although everything is done online we the applicants receive no notification of certification for Form 471 via email. I have emails showing the EPC system acknowledging both my Form 471 applications were ready for review and to be certified, both of which I did. I have attached a screen shot in this waiver of the emails with timestamps. I have spoken to USAC/E-Rate representatives who help in these matters and they have also acknowledged something went wrong when certification took place. I filed a helpdesk form as soon as I came to knowledge of this error. Our school has less than 200 students and we rely heavily on USAC/FCC to help ensure our students have adequate internet access. I ask that you please review the information provided and take note that our organization did attempt to file on time.

I went ahead and certified out of date today 3/29/18 per the recommendation of USAC. Our end goal is to have the FCC waive the deadline (Form 471) for our organization so that we can continue the E-rate process but most importantly continue servicing our students

Best regards,

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