

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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Shiocton School District)	CC Docket No. 02-6
(Shiocton School District, BEN 133164))	
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Schools and Libraries Universal Service)	
Support Mechanism)	

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

I. INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY

The Shiocton School District serves low income pre-kindergarten through Grade 12 children in Outagamie County in Wisconsin. The Shiocton School District has been a very small but successful participant of the E-Rate program. We have been receiving funds for Category 1 Internet service for around 20 years.

The Shiocton School District is unable to submit and certify their Funding Year 2018 FCC Form 471 for ISP service, as we are now in the 2019 funding year, and the deadline has passed.

A staff member of the rural Shiocton School District works E-Rate into her already busy work schedule, and is the sole staff member performing E-Rate duties. We were required to migrate from the old state network, BCN, to the new state network, BadgerNet. As part of the migration, the way we have always filed for E-Rate has changed. Our understanding was that,

for Internet service, we only had to file the 470 and 471 one time, as we did in 2017. We reached out to AT&T multiple times and followed the steps that were given, such as requesting and filling out the grid in the AT&T Welcome Package. However, there was no mention that a 471 would need to be filed every year. It was only discovered this year upon investigation of why the discounts were no longer being applied to AT&T bills. Calls and emails to AT&T went unanswered and our account representative that we were referred to is on leave for six months. We were, just today, finally able to get to the bottom of it and are now asking for a waiver for our mistake of not filing the 471 for funding year 2018. We are hoping to be able to receive the funds as we have for so many years.

II. Request

The Shiocton School District respectfully petitions the Commission to request a waiver of the Funding Year 2018 FCC Form 471 filing deadline on behalf of the Shiocton School District to allow the Out of Window submission of their E-Rate Funding Year 2018 FCC Form due to the above circumstances.

Respectfully submitted,



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