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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
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Room TW-A325
Washington DC 20554

Waiver – CC Docket No. 02-6

USAC Appeal Decision Date – April 9, 2019

Form 471 Number: 191026972

FRN Numbers: 1999076576

Funding Year: 2019

Billed Entity Name: St. Mary's Elementary School

BEN: 62477

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Requesting a waiver to enter FY2019 FCC Form 471 191026972 in FY2019 filing window. Please see document "St. Mary Elementary School Signed LOA.pdf" for evidence of agreement between Solix Inc. Consulting Services and St. Mary Elementary School of Colby, WI.

Requested Action: We request that the FCC consider granting a waiver to enter FCC Form 471 191026972 into the FY2019 filing window so that St. Mary's Elementary School may receive their E-Rate funding.

Basis for Requested Action: The previous E-Rate contact at St. Mary's Elementary School retired in 2018 after filing their FCC Form 470, and the new E-Rate contact, Kay Christiansen, was not given proper information on how to file their FCC Form 471s.

Summary: I contacted the school on 4/4/2019, inquiring as to why they had not filed an FCC Form 471 this year. It was at this point I learned that Chris Smollinger, the previous contact at the school who filed E-Rate, had retired, and left the job with Kay Christiansen, who had not been given the guidance she needed to properly file an FCC Form 471. Upon speaking to her, we discovered that she had failed to complete or certify her application until after the filing window, and so we provided her the information she needed to complete her application. However, the applicant decided to hire us as consultants to take over the rest of the process, including requesting this waiver. The late filing is clearly due to an error caused by a change of personnel at the school and the associated parish, and the person tasked with taking over the job was simply not given the proper information she needed in order to make an informed decision as to how to proceed. Based on the problems caused by this change in personnel, we hope you are able to forgive this error and allow this school to continue applying in this funding year.

Respectfully,



Ivan Rushfield

Consultant on behalf of St. Mary's Elementary School