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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HENDRY COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT ) CC Docket No. 02-6

BEN 127841) )

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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:** 127841 **APPLICATION:** 191041477

1. **INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY**

The Hendry County School District submitted and certified a Funding Year 2019 FCC Form 471 application. 471 #191041477 for Category 2 services was certified in the EPC Portal on the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company’s (USAC) website, on March 27, 2019. However, upon review the certified timestamp dates March 28,2019 at 12:00:31 EDT resulting in an out of window 471 submission.

A staff member of Hendry County School District works to provide E-Rate documentation to their consultant while already working a busy schedule and is the sole staff member responsible for supplying E-Rate documentation to the E-Rate consultant and making all vendor selections. Due to reviewing late bids prior to the March 27, 2019 deadline, the school needed additional time to evaluate all vendors and sign contracts to abide by all E-Rate Program guidelines.

1. **REQUEST**

Hendry County School District respectfully petitions the Commission to request a waiver of the Funding Year 2019 FCC Form 471 filing deadline on behalf of Billed Entity: 127841 to allow the Out of Window submission of their E-Rate Funding Year 2019 FCC Form 471 191041477 to be considered In Window for USAC to review and fund the application, due to attempting to submit a timely FCC form 471 which E-Rate Productivity Center shows although its deemed out of window. Due to the late vendor selection, their consultant was up against time attempting to file the school district’s 471 as well as the EPC Portal being incredibly slow the day of March 27,2019 leading up to the close of the filing window for E-Rate Funding Year 2019.

The FCC has previously granted waiver requests of the FCC Form 471 filing deadline to schools and school districts that filed their form 471s within 14 days from the close of the filing window. Your favorable consideration in this matter is greatly appreciated. Please feel free to contact me at any time should you have questions.

**Authorized signature for this Appeal**

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