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Federal Communications Commission

445 12th Street SW

Washington, DC 20554

**RE:** Appeal to Request a Waiver of Submission Deadline

Dear Sir or Madam:

I am with the Brewster Adventist School, and we are requesting a waiver of the deadline submission for the BEAR Form 472 under the Schools and Libraries Program through USAC.

We had initially submitted this form well before the deadline back in February 2018 (the deadline would have been 05/22/2018.) We were requesting reimbursement for both the distribution of fiber internet service and the monthly recurring amount for fiber internet service, which had already been approved via Form 471 (application # 171003507) for Funding Request Numbers (FRNs) 1799005777 and 1799005778.

We had been approved for reimbursement of 80% of both non-recurring charges (NRC) and monthly-recurring charges (MRC). The amounts noted on the Funding Commitment Decision Letters sent in August & September of 2017 were $12,515.80 for the NRC and $1,238.40 for the MRC.

Recently, we had received a reimbursement of only $743.96, even after all forms had been submitted and approved.

After researching the problem, we found that the BEAR Form 472 had been submitted with both NRC and MRC amounts under only one FRN, 1799005778, which was the FRN for the MRC only. We contacted the USAC helpline to try and resolve the matter; they informed us that since the deadline had passed for BEAR submission, we would need to file an appeal with the FCC to request a waiver of the deadline, and then resubmit the BEAR Form 472 for the NRC with the correct FRN of 1799005777.

We are kindly requesting a waiver of this deadline because we had attempted to file everything well before the established deadlines; it was only a misunderstanding of which numbers to use on which forms that caused us to fall outside of the submission window. We will be sure complete and submit the appropriate forms before the revised deadline, if approved. We are submitting this letter along with a copy of the Form 471, the invoices from the USAC site, and the Funding Commitment Decision Letters for review.

Thank you for your time and consideration. I look forward to hearing back from you on this matter soon.

Sincerely,

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