

Notice of Dismissal

Via Electronic Mail

June 13, 2019

Mr. Robert Kraig
Lewis County Community Health Services d/b/a Valley View Health Center – Winlock
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Re: Lewis County Community Health Services d/b/a Valley View Health Center - Winlock
– Appeal of USAC’s Decision for Funding Request Number 1719776

Dear Mr. Kraig:

The Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) has completed its evaluation of the November 20, 2018 letter of appeal (Appeal), submitted by Lewis County Community Health Services d/b/a Valley View Health Center – Winlock (Valley View), health care provider number 27681.¹ On September 20, 2018, USAC denied support for Valley View’s funding request under the Rural Health Care Telecommunications Program for Funding Year 2017.² The Appeal requests that USAC reverse the denial of funding request number 1719776.³

USAC has reviewed the Appeal and the facts related to this matter and has determined that Valley View failed to submit its Appeal within 60 days from the date of USAC’s decision. Federal Communication Commission rules require any party aggrieved by a USAC decision to file an appeal with USAC within 60 days from the date of the decision.⁴ Because granting the requested relief in this case would require a waiver of the appeal filing deadline, USAC dismisses the Appeal.⁵

¹ See Email from Robert Kraig, Lewis County Community Health Services d/b/a Valley View Health Center-Winlock to the Rural Health Care Division, USAC (Nov. 20, 2018) (Appeal).

² See Email from Rural Health Care Division, USAC to Lewis County Community Health Services d/b/a Valley View Health Center – Winlock (Valley View) (Sep. 20, 2018). Although Valley View did not explicitly request that USAC reverse its denial of FRN 1719776, USAC considers the request to submit further documentation as a request to reverse the denials of funding.

³ See Appeal.

⁴ See 47 C.F.R. § 54.720(b).

⁵ See 47 C.F.R. § 54.719(c) (“Parties seeking waivers of the Commission’s rules shall seek relief directly from the Commission.”).

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If you wish to appeal this decision or request a waiver, you can follow the instructions pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Part 54, Subpart I (47 C.F.R. §§ 54.719 to 725). Further instructions for filing appeals or requesting waivers are available at:

<http://www.usac.org/about/about/program-integrity/appeals.aspx>

Sincerely,

/s/ Universal Service Administrative Company

cc: Mr. Michael Schiefer, Lewis County Community Health Services d/b/a Valley View Health Center - Winlock