December 28, 2017

Request for Appeal and Waiver–CC Docket No. 02-6

Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary  
9300 East Hampton Drive  
Capitol Heights, MD 20743

**Request for Waiver and Appeal Request - Erate Year 20 ( 2017-18)**

**SLD Administrator’s Commitment Decision Funding Notification 08/04/2017**

Dear Sir or Madam,

We are filing a request for Waiver for exceeding the 60 day Appeal time limit and an Appeal for Yr20, regarding the Administrator’s decision on Denial of Funding for the two (2) FRNs listed below:

• Billed Entity Number (BEN): **143088**

* Name of BEN: **ORACLE SCHOOL DISTRICT 2**

• Contact Person: **Dennis Blauser**

• Contact Information: **Superintendent**

**725 E Carpenter**

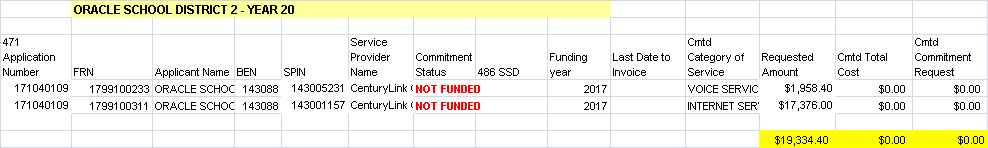
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Form 471 Application Number, FRN, SPIN and Service Provider Name, and the Funding Amount Denied for these 2 FRNs under these FCC requests:





**1 - FCC Waiver request**: **August 4, 2017,** **Administrator’s Commitment Funding Decision for Funding Year 20 (2017-2018).**

Our District never received a PIA request via email, fax or by phone for the FRN’s affected, nor did we receive an email with the funding decision. We have no records showing outreach by USAC or a PIA team. Only recently did we hire a consulting firm and were informed that our Erate Year 20 application had been denied. Inserted in the following pages is the only email received – the August 4, 2017 weekly bulletin. These weekly emails we do receive.

We did not and could not have known of the funding denial in order to appeal within the 60 days. We request an FCC waiver on the Commission’s rules (direct USAC to waive any procedural deadline), so that we may respond to any PIA requests by USAC and ultimately be funded. This Waiver is filed late due to circumstances beyond our control.

We have strictly adhered to all other program requirements, this request would not create any unjust funding and would better serve the public good.

**2 - SLD Action Appealed**: **August 4, 2017,** **Administrator’s Commitment Funding Decision for Funding Year 20 (2017-2018). We are appealing the denial of funding for these two (2) FRNs.**

We request an appeal to the funding decision by USAC and request the opportunity to reply to any questions, issues or PIA requests. We would also request USAC outreach be by means other than just email to insure a response. As stated above, we have no records showing any form of outreach by USAC or a PIA team. We have complied with all the Commission’s Basic Filing Requirements, we request granting our appeal for this procedural deadline. Denial of the funding for Internet access and Priority 1 services would have a detrimental financial impact on our rural school district.

We assert good cause exists to waive section 54.720(a) of the Commission’s rules, which requires that petitioners file their appeals within 60 days of an adverse USAC decision.

Thank you,

Respectfully,

Dennis Blauser

School Superintendent

Oracle School District # 2

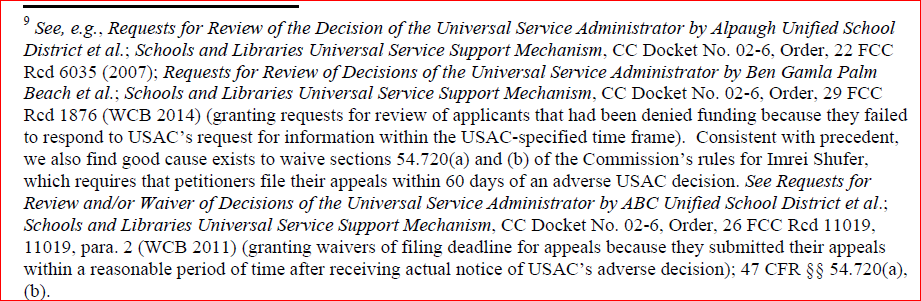
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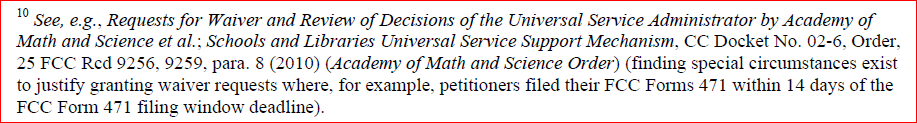
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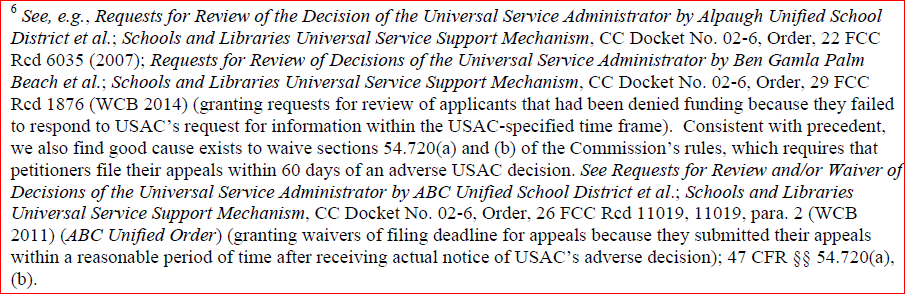
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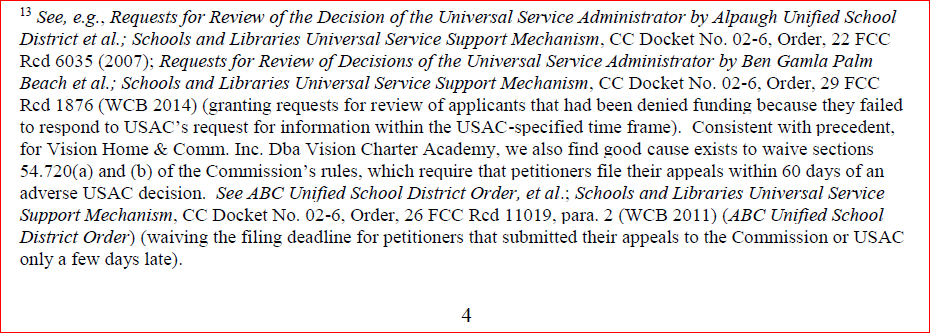


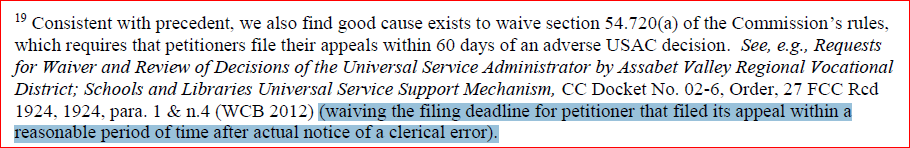


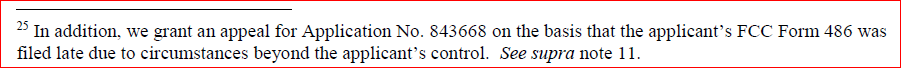










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