

Appeal

Breckenridge R-I School District

RE: BEN 75506 and Form 471 991952

February 25, 2015

As the Superintendent of Schools of the Breckenridge R-I School District, I am appealing the USAC/SLD decision to deny funding for ERATE Form 471 (Form Number 991952). The decision to deny funding was made by PIA officials, and the letter announcing this decision was dated December 30, 2014.

I am appealing to the FCC in good faith based not on any procedural or policy related issues. I am making this appeal to you all on a purely personal basis. In the next paragraphs, I will explain my plea.

From a professional standpoint, I have little or no ground on which to appeal. However, I am asking that my district be allowed to begin the filing process again.

The basis for this plea is as follows:

- The period of time (March 2014) for the original filing of the Form 471 was during a particularly personally trying time for me. My mother, who had been in a long term care facility for about four years, was gravely ill. She had suffered from Type II diabetes, Parkinson's disease, and end stage dementia. She was receiving hospice care during this time period as well. My family had been summoned to the care facility numerous times over about a three month period thinking that she was passing away. She would seem to rally and improve for a while. This cycled for this period of time. Finally, Mom passed peacefully on April 18, 2014.
- My mother's passing was 10 months after my father's passing. This was a painful year for me and my family.
- My focus on such matters as the Form 471 was not as clear as it should have been.

- I made a legitimate mistake in filing the Form 471 in question as "internal connections" instead of telecom and internet access.

I am asking that I be given a second chance in filing the Form 471.

As I stated earlier, there is no procedural or policy basis for my request. Mine is personal appeal to have a second chance to re-submit this form and give my school district a second chance as well on funding through the ERATE program. I am grateful for any consideration or assistance that you could give me in this appeal.

Submitted Respectfully,

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References:

BEN: 75506

Form 471: 991952

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