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Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Letter of Appeal
CC Docket No. 02-6
FCC Form 471 Application Number: 982674
Billed Entity Number (BEN): 220201
Billed Entity FCC Registration Number (FCC RN): 0020061123
Applicant's Form Identifier: tnspcs SY14-15

Dear Sir or Madam:

This letter respectfully serves as an appeal of the Funding Commitment Decision Letter for Funding Year 2014 for The Next Step Public Charter School. Upon review of the FCDL it appears that the denial of funding largely relates to missing supporting documentation. Unfortunately, the employment of the staff person originally tasked with coordinating the school's E-Rate program, among other things, ended abruptly with the school. Without any transition, other leaders at the school were not aware of the additional information requested. Moreover, original correspondence regarding the school's status was never located and duplicate copies were received several weeks following their issuance. The school is currently making every effort to right its course and comply with the standards set forth by the Schools and Libraries program. The failure to receive these funds will be a significant financial impact on the school, and as such we are asking the Federal Communications Commission to review our claim for appeal and reconsider our original funding request amounts. The exact nature of the claim along with other pertinent information is as follows:

- **Funding Request Numbers:** 2679645, 2679685, 2679950, 2680088, 2680429
Service Providers: Sprint Spectrum, L.P., Verizon Wireless (143000677), District of Columbia Govt-Office of Chief Technology Officer (143034408), Verizon Washington (143002681)
 - Decision: The discount for entity THE NEXT STEP PUBLIC CHARTER SCHOOL #220201 was decreased from 90% to 20%. The applicant failed to supply documentation to support the requested discount.
 - Basis for Appeal: Please find enclosed a signed reimbursement claim for the National School Lunch Program listing the total number of students enrolled as well as the total number of students eligible for participation in the Free or Reduced Lunch Program for

the school supporting the 90% discount percentage for E-Rate services. [Attachment 1]

- **Funding Request Number:** 2679685
Service Provider: Verizon Wireless (Cellco Partnership)
SPIN: 143000677
 - Decision: Applicant has not provided sufficient documentation needed to determine the eligibility of the following item(s): vendor documentation supporting service request.
 - Basis for Appeal: Please find enclosed vendor documentation supporting the service requested. [Attachment 2]

- **Funding Request Number:** 2680088
Service Provider: District of Columbia Govt-Office of Chief Technology Officer
SPIN: 143034408
 - Decision: Applicant has not provided sufficient documentation needed to determine the eligibility of the following item(s): vendor documentation supporting service request.
 - Basis for Appeal: Please find enclosed vendor documentation supporting the service requested. [Attachment 3]

For additional information or to discuss these matters further, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards,



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