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Request for Waiver – USAC Form 471

Schools and Libraries – CC Docket NO. 02-6

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Background Information:

Form 470 Filed May 21, 2015 - For FY 2015-2016
Application #: 160001559
Billed Entity Name: Fairbanks-N Star Borough LIB
Billed Entity Number: 145262
FCC Registration Number: 0013695010
Type of Application: Library
Recipients of Service: Public

Reason for Waiver:

Bill Galbraith with the Fairbanks North Star Borough filed a 471 application on February 26, 2015. At that time, the Fairbanks North Star borough (FNSB or Borough) was still working through all the nuances of opening a new library facility. FNSB had to set up a phone system in the new building. It was too early in the transition to have a good feel for what the change in phone costs would be, therefore, Bill Galbraith filed the 471 based on phone costs at the old library. The final costs, as they settled out, ended up including Category 2 costs. The phone system installed is an Avaya system that is being maintained and administered by ACS. The monthly cost of this service is \$1,060.67 per month or \$12,728.04 annually. The discounted service price would be \$5,091.22

The Borough respectfully requests a waiver to file a Form 471 for FY 2015-2016 so that a funding commitment decision can be made for these unanticipated Category 2 costs.