



**Administrator's Decision on Appeal – Funding Year 2015-2016**

January 20, 2016

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Re: Applicant Name: ANAHEIM UNION HIGH SCHOOL DIST  
Billed Entity Number: 143784  
Form 471 Application Number: 996018  
Funding Request Number(s): 2878058  
Your Correspondence Dated: November 12, 2015

After review of the information and documentation provided, the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) has made its decision in regard to your appeal of USAC's funding commitment decision for the FCC Form 471 Application Number and funding requests number(s) (FRN(s)) referenced above. This letter provides an explanation for USAC's decision. The date of this letter also begins the sixty (60) day time period for appealing this decision. If your Letter of Appeal included more than one FCC Form 471 Application Number, please note that you will receive a separate decision for each funding application.

Funding Request Number(s): 2878058  
Decision on Appeal: **Denied**  
Explanation:

- The FCC Form 470 that established the competitive bidding process for this FRN did not include the Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections category of service; therefore it does not meet the 28 day competitive bidding requirement. On appeal you failed to show that USAC made an error in its previous decision. Consequently, your appeal is denied.
- FCC rules require that all products and services for which an applicant requests discounts on an FCC Form 471 must be competitively bid on an FCC Form 470. The FCC Form 470 must include a complete description of the services for which discounts are sought, be posted on the website for 28 days, and applicants must carefully consider all bids received before selecting a vendor, entering into a legally binding agreement or signing a contract, and signing and submitting an

FCC Form 471. *See* 47 C.F.R. secs. 54.503(b) and (c), 54.511(a). These competitive bidding requirements help to ensure that applicants receive the lowest pre-discount price from vendors. *See* Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45, Order on Reconsideration, 12 FCC Rcd 10095, 10098, FCC 97-246 para. 9 (rel. Jul. 10, 1997).

If you wish to appeal this decision, you may file an appeal pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Part 54, Subpart I. Detailed instructions for filing appeals are available at:  
<http://www.usac.org/sl/about/program-integrity/appeals.aspx>.

We thank you for your continued support, patience and cooperation during the appeal process.

Schools and Libraries Division  
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