



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

March 09, 2016

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Re: Applicant Name: DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Billed Entity Number: 127591
Form 471 Application Number: 999052
Funding Request Number(s): 2721535
Your Correspondence Dated: February 12, 2016

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): 2721535
Decision on Appeal: **Denied**
Explanation:

- Your FCC Form 471 999052 funding request included costs for data plans and/or air cards for mobile devices which are, except under limited circumstances, ineligible for funding. USAC has given you an opportunity to provide documentation demonstrating that the data plans and/or air cards are the most cost-effective option for providing internal broadband access or that installing a wireless local area network is not physically possible. You failed to provide documentation to demonstrate that data plans and/or air cards for mobile devices requested in this FRN should be considered eligible due to one of the two above specified reasons. Accordingly, your funding request was denied. In your appeal, you did not show that USAC's determination was incorrect. Consequently, your appeal is denied.

- FCC rules provide that funding may be approved only for eligible products and services. *See* 47 C.F.R. secs. 54.502. The USAC website contains a list of eligible products and services. *See* Eligible Services List posted in the Reference Area of the SLD section of the USAC website. FCC rules further require that if 30% or more of the applicant's funding request includes ineligible products and/or services, then the funding request must be denied, otherwise the funding request will be reduced accordingly. *See* 47 C.F.R. sec. 54.504(b). The FCC's Aiken County Public Schools Order directed USAC to permit the applicant 15 calendar days from the date of receipt of notice in writing by USAC to revise its funding request to remove the ineligible services or allow the applicant to provide additional documentation to show why the services are eligible. *See* Requests for Review of the Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Aiken County Public Schools, Aiken, South Carolina, et al., Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, File Nos. SLD-397612, et al., CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 22 FCC Rcd 8735, FCC 07-61 para. 11 (May 8, 2007). Data plans and air cards for mobile devices are eligible for E-rate support only in instances when the school or library seeking support demonstrates that individual data plans are the most cost-effective option for providing internal broadband access for portable mobile devices at schools and libraries. In order to ensure that individual data plans are the most cost-effective option, applicants that seek funding for individual data plans must be able to demonstrate either that installing a WLAN is not physically possible, or must provide a comparison of the costs to implement an individual data plan solution versus a wireless local area network solution. The cost comparison may be established through the competitive bidding process by seeking and comparing bids on both internal wireless networks and individual data plans. *See* In the Matter of Modernizing the E-rate Program for Schools and Libraries, WC Docket No. 13-184, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 14-99 para. 151,153 (rel. Jul. 23, 2014).

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Re: Applicant Name: DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Billed Entity Number: 127591
Form 471 Application Number: 999169
Funding Request Number(s): 2721655
Your Correspondence Dated: February 12, 2016

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Decision on Appeal: **Denied**
Explanation:

- Your FCC Form 471 999169 funding request included costs for data plans and/or air cards for mobile devices which are, except under limited circumstances, ineligible for funding. USAC has given you an opportunity to provide documentation demonstrating that the data plans and/or air cards are the most cost-effective option for providing internal broadband access or that installing a wireless local area network is not physically possible. You failed to provide documentation to demonstrate that data plans and/or air cards for mobile devices requested in this FRN should be considered eligible due to one of the two above specified reasons. Accordingly, your funding request was denied. In your appeal, you did not show that USAC's determination was incorrect. Consequently, your appeal is denied.

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Re: Applicant Name: DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Billed Entity Number: 127591
Form 471 Application Number: 999190
Funding Request Number(s): 2721697
Your Correspondence Dated: February 12, 2016

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): 2721697
Decision on Appeal: **Denied**
Explanation:

- Your FCC Form 471 #999190 funding request included costs for data plans and/or air cards for mobile devices which are, except under limited circumstances, ineligible for funding. USAC has given you an opportunity to provide documentation demonstrating that the data plans and/or air cards are the most cost-effective option for providing internal broadband access or that installing a wireless local area network is not physically possible. You failed to provide documentation to demonstrate that data plans and/or air cards for mobile devices requested in this FRN should be considered eligible due to one of the two above specified reasons. Accordingly, your funding request was denied. In your appeal, you did not show that USAC's determination was incorrect. Consequently, your appeal is denied.

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Re: Applicant Name: DUVAL COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT
Billed Entity Number: 127591
Form 471 Application Number: 1015391
Funding Request Number(s): 2725553
Your Correspondence Dated: February 12, 2016

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): 2725553
Decision on Appeal: **Denied**
Explanation:

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