

TO: FCC

FROM: Eddie Lowrey, Technology Director, Sikeston School District R6

RE: Appeal of USAC Erate decision

I'm the new Technology Director at Sikeston R6 Schools. I've only been in this position for a little over 8 months. The previous Technology Director applied for and was approved for ERate funding from Provision Data Solutions. Funding Request Number is 2820907 and the Form 471 number is 1032140. My school district purchased the equipment that was approved and one of my first task as new Technology Director was to file the Form 472 BEAR form for reimbursement. That Form 472 was denied because the invoices from Provision Data Solution didn't match the name on their SPIN number (143026806).

Upon further investigation I found out from the vendor that they had a name changed and didn't file their Form 498 to reflect the name change. I was told by the vendor on March 8th, 2016 that they were aware of it, had called USAC about it, and had filed the appropriate forms with USAC for the name change. On March 15th, 2016 I filed an appeal with USAC based on the information I received from the vendor. I filed an appeal rather than refiling the Form 472 because I was already past the 120 days from the date the equipment arrived.

I received a letter from USAC dated April 29th, 2016 stating my appeal had been denied because the name on the SPIN Number didn't match the invoices and I didn't demonstrate any name change for the vendor. I didn't demonstrate a name change as the vendor had already done the paperwork. I can go onto USAC's website and look up the SPIN number and the DBA name matches my invoices. I'm not sure why this was denied when USAC's own website shows the DBA name that is on my invoices as noted below:

SPIN	Service Provider Name	Doing Business As	Contact Name	Contact Address	Contact Phone	Form 499 Filer	SPAC Filed
143026806	R.A. Networks	(DBA) Provision Data Solutions	Heather A Keeney	555 Spirit of St.Louis BLVD , Chesterfield, MO 63005	636449-5013		2004 2005 2006 2007 2008 2009 2015

I'm asking for the FCC to overturn this decision. I know I'm new here and I'm learning the system and learning from my mistakes, but I don't understand how this was denied. I hate to think that my school district is going to be out monies that were originally approved due to the fact that a vendor didn't do their paperwork in a timely fashion.

Thank you for your time on this matter. I appreciate any help you may be able to provide my school district.

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