

May 31, 2016

Federal Communications Commission
445 12 Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: Waiver for USAC E-Rate Form 471 Application #161057294

Napa Valley Unified School District is requesting a waiver of the E-Rate Form 471 Filing Deadline of May 26, 2016 for application number 161057294 due to technical difficulties encountered with the E-Rate Productivity Center (EPC) when attempting to file application.

USAC E-Rate Form 471 Application #161057294 seeks Category 2 funding to implement wireless local area network across the District's 30 schools and district office. Following instructions provided by E-Rate, Form 471 was prepared with an individual Funding Request for each entity. Instructions included preparation and validation of "Bulk Upload" spreadsheets which itemized specific equipment and services to be provided to each entity. When attempting to submit the "Bulk Upload" into the Funding Request, EPC responded that there were errors that needed to be fixed. However, the "Bulk Upload" spreadsheet did not identify any errors.

The E-Rate Help Desk was contacted and unable to identify why the "Bulk Upload" spreadsheets were being rejected. See attached file: "EPC Bulk Upload Reject". The solution offered by the Help Desk was to download a new template from the USAC E-Rate website and prepare new "Bulk Upload" spreadsheets manually input the equipment and services into each of the Funding Requests. Following the recommendation of the E-Rate Help Desk, the attached file "Category-Two-Internal Connections-Napa El Centro (2)" was prepared after downloading a new template from the USAC E-Rate website. Attempts to download the El Centro spreadsheet were unsuccessful, receiving the same rejection notice. Manual input of equipment and services into each Funding Request could not be completed prior to the close of the E-Rate Form 471 filing window of May 26, 2016.

Due to technical difficulties with the EPC filing process, which were beyond the District's control, Napa Valley Unified School District request a waiver of the filing deadline and allow the Form 471 #161057294 application to be accepted. In making this request, the District, cites the Commission's decision Adopted July 7, 2010, Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Academy of Math and Science, Tucson Az.

In communications with E-Rate Help District personnel, Napa Valley Unified School District was instructed to submit this request for Waiver.

Sincerely,

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