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Request for Waiver CC Docket No. 02-6

Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

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Re: Applicant Name: Clayton School District
Billed Entity Number: 143379
Form 471 Application Number: 983155
Funding Request Number(s): 2684037, 2684053, 2684061

To Whom It May Concern:

The Clayton School District requests the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") allow a single one-time invoicing extension for the funding request numbers referenced above.

Facts:

On October 23, 2015 a consultant for the District filed a BEAR form online. The service provider received no notification from USAC via email or from the consultant that the filing was ready for certification.

On November 5, 2015 the service provider discovered the BEAR form and certified it at that time.

On November 16, 2015, a letter was sent to all parties that the reimbursement request had been denied, as the filing was late. Although the BEAR form was timely filed by the billed entity, it was certified by the service provider seven days past the invoicing deadline.

On December 8, 2015, the billed entity filed an appeal of the reimbursement denial. This appeal was denied in a letter dated March 14, 2016 (enclosed).

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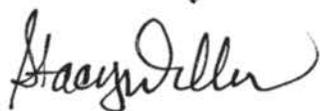
Corrective Measure:

The applicant is asking the FCC to apply the guidance in force and grant a single one-time waiver of the rules to allow the District to request and receive its much needed funding. Pursuant to the USAC website, if an invoice deadline extension request is not timely filed, one must first file a waiver request with the FCC and the FCC must grant the waiver request before USAC can extend the invoice deadline.

Conclusion:

Throughout the application process, the District has made a good faith effort to comply with all rules and procedures. Although a procedural deadline was missed by seven days, a substantive rule was not violated. The District is otherwise eligible for the funding awarded. It is acknowledged that deadlines are important and necessary to efficiency. However, the tardiness of the submission was unintentional and non-fraudulent. Denial of the waiver would cause an undue hardship to this small rural school district. I respectfully request your consideration for a waiver of the deadline.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Stacy Diller".

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