

**Baldwin County School System**  
**435 North Cobb Street**  
**Milledgeville, Georgia 31061**

Phone (912)457-3320 FAX (901)457-3327

April 3, 2000

Applicant Number: 127441  
Application Number: 31686  
Reimbursement Form Number: 32387  
Funding Request Number: 00031686

TO:  
Federal Communications Commission  
Office of the Secretary  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W.  
Room TW-A325  
Washington, DC 20554

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FROM:  
Baldwin County School System  
435 North Cobb Street  
Milledgeville, GA 31061  
ATTN: Dr. Robert Lamb *RBL*

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SUBJECT: In the Matter of: Request for Review by Baldwin County School System of Decision of Universal Service Administrator. Ref: FCC Docket Nos. 97-21 and 96-45.

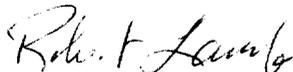
Pursuant to Section 54.719 (a)-(c) the Baldwin County School System submits a request for review.

- (i) The Baldwin County School System seeks reconsideration of a request for change of Service Provider denied by The Universal Service Administrator. Approval of the change, pursuant to Section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended 47 U.S.C. paragraph 254, would allow the Baldwin County School System to be reimbursed for funds it paid for the installation of a computer network at Creekside Elementary School.
- (ii) The Universal Service Administrator denied a request by the Baldwin County School System for a change of Service Provider subsequently withholding SLD funds it had already approved for payment. The Baldwin County School System had previously paid the costs of installing a structured computer network system at a new school because SLC had not confirmed that the previous requests for funds had been approved. This all took place in the period of September to November of 1998. The Baldwin County School System received notice of SLD approval of funds in January 1999. Therefore, the Baldwin County School System seeks to claim

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reimbursement of funds for computer networking at Creekside Elementary School. (see expanded narrative and supporting documentation attached)

- (iii) Under Section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended 47 U.S.C. paragraph 254, the Baldwin County School System is entitled to reimbursement of funds expended in the installation of a computer network at Creekside Elementary School. The Universal Services Administrator's denial of a request to change service providers is preventing approval for reimbursement of funds.
- (iv) The Baldwin County School System seeks reimbursement of approved funds in the amount of \$39,443.76, again in accord with Section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended 47 U.S.C. paragraph 254. Please note that the total cost of network installation was \$55,488.00; however, the school system is claiming reimbursement of only \$39,443.76 as originally approved.

  
Robert Lamb, Ed.D.

Encl:

- 1.) Expanded narrative to the Secretary of FCC,
- 2.) Notice of SLC approval of funding - 1/19/99,
- 3.) Letter to SLC to appeal for change of service provider,
- 4.) SLC Form 472 (pp 1-4),
- 5.) SLC Form 486 (pp 1-3),
- 6.) Invoices and cancelled checks reference Automated Networks System,
- 7.) Universal Service Administrator's letter denying change of service provider (8/26/99),
- 8.) FAX from SouthTel indicating their unwillingness to respond to the second RFP for network cabling at Creekside.
- 9.) Copy of USAC "Funding Commitment Decision" letter sent to South Tel, Inc.

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Dear Mr. Secretary:

In March of 1998 the Baldwin County School System submitted a request for funding of structured cabling at Creekside Elementary School. Creekside was at that time under construction. The anticipated completion and occupation date for the school was January 1999.

Our RFP was placed on the School and Libraries Division Web and we received several responses. The low bidder at that time was SouthTel Inc. with a bid of \$49,340.70. However, time passed and as of November 1998 we had received no word from SLD. We had no way of knowing whether or not our request had been funded.

The superintendent of this school system advised me we could wait no longer to begin the cabling project. He recommended that we resubmit a general request for proposal since a need to expand the project arose as the building neared completion. The RFP was sent out in November and the low bidder this time was Automated Network Systems at a cost of \$55,480.00. Automated Network Systems was awarded the bid and the work was completed on time for students and teachers to occupy the building. The Baldwin County School System paid for the work from local funds. SouthTel, the original low bidder, did not submit a second bid. We subsequently learned SouthTel felt they had all the projects they could handle at the time and did not wish to take on more.

SLD informed us on January 19, 1999 that our grant application had been approved in the amount of \$39,443.76; however, it was approved for SouthTel as the installer. On April 12, 1999, we filed an appeal to change service providers. On August 6, 1999, SLD Administrator's Decision denied our request for change of service provider.

We have tried on several occasions to contact SLD for assistance regarding how we should proceed in lieu of the predicament in which we found ourselves. Frankly, we have not had much success in finding someone who could give us proper guidance. We even wrote our congressman, Hon. Charlie Norwood, to see if he could provide guidance. Shortly thereafter, we were informed by SLD that we could proceed with our contract with SouthTel. That was no help.

We were finally able to contact an employee at SLD yesterday who told us we would have to appeal the SLD Administrator's decision to the Secretary of the Federal Communications Commission.

This whole process has been very frustrating and confusing. No one seems willing to listen to the facts of the situation. We believe we are not at fault in proceeding with the cabling as we did, since we had heard nothing from SLD, and we had to move forward with the structured cabling at Creekside. Therefore, we humbly request you to reconsider our request for change of service provider so the school system may receive reimbursement the \$39,443.76 authorized by SLD. The school system will just have to absorb the \$16,044.76 in additional costs.

Supporting documentation has been attached to the cover letter to the FCC Secretary. If you have further questions, please contact me at Baldwin County School System, 435 North Cobb Street, Milledgeville, Georgia 31061.

Phone: (912) 457-3320

FAX: (912) 457-3327

E-mail: [rlamb@peachnet.campuscwix.net](mailto:rlamb@peachnet.campuscwix.net)

Sincerely,



Robert Lamb, Ed.D.



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100 South Jefferson Road  
Whippany, NJ 07981

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January 19, 1999

BALDWIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT

Dr. Robert Lamb  
PO BOX 1188  
MILLEDGEVILLE GA 31061-1188

Re: Form 471 Application Number: 31686  
Funding Year: 1998  
Billed Entity Number: 127441

We have completed our review of your FCC Form 471, Services Ordered and Certification Form, and made decisions with respect to your requests for discounts along with other applications received within the same time period. This letter is to advise you of our decisions.

As you may know, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) in June 1998 made two changes to the Universal Service Fund for schools and libraries that have direct bearing on your discount request for 1998. First, the 1998 program year has been extended by six months, for a new ending date of June 30, 1999. Second, the FCC established new funding priorities whereby all eligible applicants will receive discounts for eligible telecommunications services and Internet access. Support for internal connections will be allocated in accordance with need so that schools and libraries will receive discounts in order of the discount percentages for which they qualify beginning with applications qualifying for the highest discount percentages. Discounts for internal connections will continue until all funds are exhausted. These changes are reflected in the information in this letter regarding your discount request.

On the following page(s) is a list, by row of Items 15 and 16 of your FCC Form 471. For each item, there is a Funding Request Number (FRN) and several other

SLC Funding Notification Synopsis for Application Number: 00031686

Funding Request Number:00032387 Funding Status: Funded  
SPIN: 143009861 Service Provider Name: South Tel, Inc.  
Provider Contract Number: C  
Services Ordered: Internal Connections  
Effective Date of Discount: 10/01/1998 Contract Expiration Date: 10/15/1998  
Estimated Total Annual Pre-discount Cost: \$49,304.70  
Discount Percentage Approved by SLC: 80%  
Funding Commitment Decision: \$39,443.76

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April 12, 1999

Applicant Name: Baldwin County School System  
471 Application No.: 00031686  
Billed Entity No.: 127441

Fund Request Number (FRN): 00032387

Provider: South Tel, Inc., - SPIN 143009861

New Provider: Automated Network Systems, Inc. - SPIN 143005543

Schools and Libraries Corporation  
P. O. Box 125 - Correspondence Unit  
100 South Jefferson Road  
Whippany, NJ 07981

ATTN: Ms. Christy Kilburn

SUBJECT: Appeal to change service provider.

Dear Ms. Kilburn:

Pursuant to your FAX dated April 9, 1999, the Baldwin County School System requests a change of service provider from South Tel, Inc. (SPIN 143009861) to Automated Network System, Inc. (SPIN 143005543).

When we made application for E-rate Funds from SCL, Creekside was under construction. The school system planned to occupy this new building the first week of January 1999. As of November 1998 we had heard nothing from SLC regarding the status of our application for funds; therefore, we had to proceed with cabling plans. We opened a new and somewhat expanded Request for Proposal. The low bidder this time was Automated Network Systems, Inc. of Milledgeville. South Tel Inc. did not respond. Automated Network Systems completed the cabling project in late December 1998 and were paid for their services entirely from local funds. Copies of their invoices and our checks are attached to this letter. We are claiming reimbursement in the amount of \$39,433.76 as authorized by SCL.

The situation was such that we had no choice but to proceed with the cabling project at local expense. We wish to apply for reimbursement for the authorized amount from SCL even though the actual cost was higher than originally anticipated because of some expanded plans. South Tel responded to the original RFP at a cost of \$49,340.70; however, we later added some additional nodes and distribution hardware to better cover access at Creekside. We then released a second RFP to cover the expanded needs at the new school. Automated Network Systems, Inc. was the low bidder in that RFP at \$55,488.00 and was awarded the contract by the

Baldwin County Board of Education. Automated Networks completed the cabling contract in late December, and they were paid from local funds. We received no response to the second RFP from South Tel. Therefore as stated at the beginning of this letter, we request reimbursement of funds as approved by SLC in a letter dated January 19, 1999.

Copies of FCC Forms 471 and 486 are attached along with copies of the invoices and canceled checks from Automated Networks are attached for your information.

Please advise if there is some way we may help facilitate this request.

Sincerely,



R. B. Lamb,  
Technology Director (Contact Person)  
(912) 457-3320  
(912) 457-3327



C. E. Trammell,  
Superintendent of Schools  
Authorized Person  
(912) 452-4176  
FAX (912) 457-3320

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## BILLED ENTITY APPLICANT REIMBURSEMENT FORM

For reimbursement of discounts on approved services already paid for by the Billed Entity Applicant.  
Only one Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN) per form.  
Must be completed and signed by the Billed Entity Applicant and signed by the relevant service provider.

Persons willfully making false statements on this form can be punished by fine or forfeiture, under the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. Secs. 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. Sec. 1001.

NOTICE TO INDIVIDUALS: Section 69.619 of the Federal Communications Commission's rules requires the fund administrator to review bills for services and to determine the amount of universal service support to be disbursed to service providers. All schools and libraries and consortia of these entities who have received a Funding Commitment Decisions Letter from the fund administrator and that have paid for in full the price of eligible services which are approved for discounts, and that seek reimbursement of the discounts, must file this Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form. This Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form informs the fund administrator of the amount of the discounts which the applicant has already paid and for which the applicant seeks reimbursement from its service provider. The collection of information stems from the Commission's authority under Section 254 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. 47 U.S.C. § 254.

An agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a currently valid OMB control number. The FCC is authorized under the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to collect the personal information we request in this form. We will use the information you provide to determine whether approving this form is in the public interest. If we believe there may be a violation or potential violation of a FCC statute, regulation, rule or order, your form may be referred to the Federal, state, or local agency responsible for investigating, prosecuting, enforcing or implementing the statute, rule, regulation or order. In certain cases, the information in your form may be disclosed to the Department of Justice or a court or adjudicative body when (a) the FCC; or (b) any employee of the FCC; or (c) the United States Government, is a party in a proceeding before the body or has an interest in the proceeding.

If you owe a past due debt to the federal government, the taxpayer identification number and other information you provide may also be disclosed to the Department of the Treasury Financial Management Service, other federal agencies and/or your employer to offset your salary, IRS tax refund or other payments to collect that debt. The FCC may also provide this information to these agencies through the matching of computer records when authorized. If you do not provide the information requested on the form, your form may be returned without action or your form may be delayed. The foregoing Notice is required by the Privacy Act of 1974, Pub. L. No. 93-579, December 31, 1974, 5 U.S.C. § 552, and the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Pub. L. No. 104-13, 44 U.S.C. § 3501, et seq.

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### BLOCK 1: HEADER INFORMATION

1. 471 Billed Entity Applicant Name (30 characters maximum)	Baldwin County School District
2. 471 Billed Entity Applicant Number (10 digits maximum)	127441
3. Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN) (9 digits maximum)	143005543
4. Contact Name (30 characters maximum)	Dr. Robert Lamb
5. Contact Telephone Number (14 digits maximum)	(912) 457-3320
6. Reimbursement Form Number (assigned by Billed Entity Applicant--25 characters maximum)	00031686
7. Reimbursement Form Date to SLC (mm/dd/yyyy)	March 31, 1999
8. Total Reimbursement Amount (total of Block 2, Item 15 -- 14.2 digits maximum)	\$39,443.76

End of

### Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form

For reimbursement of discounts on approved services already paid for by the Billed Entity Applicant.

Baldwin County School District

471 Billed Entity Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_ 471 Billed Entity Applicant Number 127441 Contact Name Dr. Robert Lamb

Contact Telephone Number (912)457-3320 Reimbursement Form Number FCC form 472

#### BLOCK 2: LINE ITEM INFORMATION PER FUNDING REQUEST NUMBER

	(9) FCC Form 471 Application Number (10 digits) (from Funding Commitment Decisions Letter)	(10) Funding Request Number (FRN) (10 digits) (from Funding Commitment Decisions Letter)	(11) Bill Frequency	(12) Customer Billed Date (mm/yyyy)	(13) Shipping Date to Customer or Last Day of Work Performed (mm/dd/yyyy)	(14) Total (Undiscounted) Amount for Service (14.2 digits max.)	(15) Discount Amount Billed to SLC (14.2 digits max.)
			DO NOT WRITE IN THIS COLUMN.	For each FRN, complete either Column (12) or Column (13), but not both Columns		14.2 digits allows for dollars and cents	
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<b>TOTAL REIMBURSEMENT AMOUNT TO BE ENTERED INTO ITEM (8)</b>							<b>\$39,443.76</b>

# BILLED ENTITY APPLICANT Reimbursement Form

471 Billed Entity Applicant Name Baldwin County School District

471 Billed Entity Applicant Number 127441

Contact Person Name Dr. Robert Lamb

Contact Telephone Number (912) 457-3320

Reimbursement Form Number FCC Form 472

## Block 4: Service Provider Acknowledgment

I certify that I am authorized to submit this Service Provider Acknowledgment for this Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form, and acknowledge to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, as follows:

- A. The service provider must remit the discount amount authorized by the fund administrator to the Billed Entity Applicant who prepared and submitted this Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form as soon as possible after the fund administrator's notification to the service provider of the amount of the approved discounts on this Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form, but in no event later than 10 calendar days after receipt of the reimbursement payment from the fund administrator, subject to the restriction set forth in B. below.
- B. The service provider must remit payment of the approved discount amount to the Billed Entity Applicant prior to tendering or making use of the payment issued by the Universal Service Administrative Company to the service provider of the approved discounts for the Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form.

22. Signature of authorized person (fax, copy or original signature) (required)

23. Date (required)

3/31/99

24. Printed name of authorized person (required)

Randal E. Dunn Jr.

25. Title or position of authorized person (required)

VP of Sales

26. Telephone number of authorized person (required)

912 454 1011

27. Address of authorized person (required)

100 Industrial Park Rd ; Milledgeville, Georgia 31061

A paper copy of this Form (pages 1-4) should mailed to:  
 SLC-BEAR Form  
 P. O. Box 7026  
 Lawrence, KS 66044-7026

If sent by express delivery services or U.S. Postal Service, Return Receipt Requested, the form (pages 1-4) should be mailed to:

SLC-BEAR Form  
 c/o Ms. Smith  
 3833 Greenway Drive  
 Lawrence, KS 66046

# BILLED ENTITY APPLICANT Reimbursement Form

471 Billed Entity Applicant Name Baldwin County School District

471 Billed Entity Applicant Number 127441

Contact Person Name Dr. Robert Lamb

Contact Telephone Number (912) 457-3320

Reimbursement Form Number FCC Form 472

## Block 3: Billed Entity Applicant Certification

I certify that I am authorized to submit this Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form on behalf of the eligible schools, libraries, or consortia of those entities represented on this Form, and certify to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, as follows:

- A. The discount amounts listed in Column (15) of this Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form represent charges for eligible services delivered to and used by eligible schools, libraries, or consortia of those entities for educational purposes, on or after the actual service start date reported on the associated Form 486.
- B. The discount amounts listed in Column (15) of this Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form were already billed by the service provider and paid by the Billed Entity Applicant on behalf of eligible schools, libraries, and consortia of those entities.
- C. The discount amounts listed in Column (15) of this Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form are for eligible services approved by the fund administrator pursuant to a Form 471 Funding Commitment Decisions Letter.
- D. I recognize that I may be audited pursuant to this application and will retain for five years any and all records that I rely upon to fill in this form.

16. Signature of authorized person (original ink signature required)

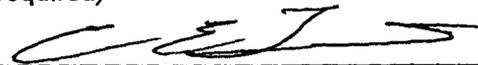


17. Date (required)

March 31, 1999

18. Printed name of authorized person (required)

C. E. Trammell



19. Title or position of authorized person (required)

Superintendent, Baldwin County School District

20. Telephone number of authorized person (required)

(912) 452-4176

21. Address of authorized person (required)

435 North Cobb Street, Milledgeville, GA 31061

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# Universal Service for Schools and Libraries Receipt of Service Confirmation Form

Estimated Average Burden Hours Per Response: 1.5 hours  
Please read instructions before completing. To be completed by Schools and Libraries or Consortia.)

Form 486 Application Number BCS 000486  
(unique identifying number assigned by applicant)

### Block 1: Applicant Information

1. Name of Billed Entity Applicant (required)	2. Billed Entity Number (required)	3. Funding Year (required)
BALDWIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT	127441	1998

4. Complete Mailing Address of Billed Entity Applicant (required)			
Street Address, P. O. Box or Route Number	City	State	Zip Code
435 North Cobb Street,	Milledgeville,	GA	31061

10-Digit Phone Number	Fax Telephone Number	E-Mail Address
(912) 457-3320	(912) 457-3327	rlamb@peachnet.campuscwix.net

5. Contact Person Information			
Contact Person Name (required)			
Dr. Robert Lamb			

Mailing Address (required if different from Item 4)			
Street Address, P. O. Box or Route Number	City	State	Zip Code
435 North Cobb Street,	Milledgeville,	GA	31061

10-Digit Phone Number	Fax Telephone Number	E-Mail Address
Same as above		rlamb@peachnet.campuscwix.net

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The FCC is authorized under the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to collect the personal information we request in this form. We will use the information you provide to determine whether approving this application is in the public interest. If we believe there may be a violation or potential violation of a FCC statute, regulation, rule or order, your application may be referred to the Federal, state, or local agency responsible for investigating, prosecuting, enforcing or implementing the statute, rule, regulation or order. In certain cases, the information in your application may be disclosed to the Department of Justice or a court or adjudicative body when (a) the FCC; or (b) any employee of the FCC; or (c) the United States Government, is a party in a proceeding before the body or has an interest in the proceeding.

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Billed Entity Applicant: 486 Number (to be assigned by Fund Administrator)

Billed Entity Applicant Name Baldwin County School District Contact Name Dr. Robert Lamb

Billed Entity Number 127441 Contact Telephone Number (912) 457-3320

**Block 2: Services Received**

**6. For Shared Services and Site Specific Services**

Provide the following information about the services received for which the billed entity applicant is paying.

	(A) 471 Application Number (10 digits)	(B) Funding Request Number (FRN) (10 digits)	(C) Service Provider Name	(D) Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN) (9 digits)	(E) Actual Service Start Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	(F) Early Termination of Service Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	(G) Contract Extension Termination Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	(H) Cancel ERN (Yes/No)	(I) Applicant to Submit Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form for Discounts on Eligible Services Received and Paid for in Full (Yes/No)
	(Required)	(Required)	(Required)	(Required)	IMPORTANT Please see Instructions for Requirements for Columns (E), (F), and (G)			(Required)	(Required)
	From Funding Commitment Decision Letter	From Funding Commitment Decision Letter	From Funding Commitment Decision Letter	From Funding Commitment Decision Letter					
1	00031686	00032387	Automated Networks	143005543	11/10/1998	12/31/1998	06/30/1999	No	Yes
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Billed Entity Applicant Name Baldwin Co. Sch Dist Contact Name Dr. Robert Lamb  
Billed Entity Number 127441 Contact Telephone Number (912)457-3320

**Block 3: Certification**

7. I certify that the technology plan(s) for the services received as indicated above have been approved by: (Fill in the name of each organization that reviewed and approved a technology plan for any eligible entity that is receiving services covered under this form; attach an additional list if necessary. If ALL of the FRNs listed herein are for basic telephone service only, write in "none" here.) (required to be completed)

the Baldwin County Board of Education and the Georgia Department of Education.

8. I certify that the services listed above have been or are being provided to all or some of the eligible entities identified in the Form 471 application(s) cited above. I certify that I am authorized to submit this receipt of service confirmation on behalf of the above-named billed entity applicant, that I have examined this request, and that, to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, all statements of fact contained herein are true.

9. I certify that I will promptly notify the fund administrator if any services received that are included within a funding request number identified in Block 2, Column 2 herein are terminated or canceled, resulting in the termination or cancellation of the fund administrator's obligation to pay invoices submitted by service providers for said services.

10. I understand that the discount level used for shared services is conditional, for future years, upon ensuring that the most disadvantaged schools and libraries that are treated as sharing in the services receive an appropriate share of benefits from those services.

11. I recognize that I may be audited pursuant to this application and will retain for five years any and all records that I rely upon to fill in this form.

12. Signature (original ink signature required)



13. Date (required)

March 31, 1999

14. Printed name of authorized person (required)

C. E. Trammell,

15. Title or position of authorized person (required)

Superintendent, Baldwin County School District

16. Telephone number of authorized person (optional)

(912) 452-4176

17. Address of authorized person (required)

435 North Cobb Street, Milledgeville, GA 31061

A paper copy of this form, with an original signature in Block 3, Item 12 should be mailed to:

SLC-Form 486  
P. O. Box 7026  
Lawrence, Kansas 66044-7026

If sent by express delivery services or U.S. Postal Service, Return Receipt Requested, the form should be mailed to:

SLC-Form 486  
c/o Ms. Smith  
3833 Greenway Drive  
Lawrence, Kansas 66046

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Automated Network Systems

100 Industrial Park Road  
Milledgeville, Georgia 31061

(912) 454-1011 • Fax (912) 453-7164

Date: November 30, 1998

Invoice No: 980325

Job No BAL001

Salesperson: ANS

COMMUNICATION CABLING INSTALLATION  
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435 N. Cobb Street  
Milledgeville, Ga 31061

P O - CS9-001

Corporate Office: Milledgeville, GA

Sales Office: Atlanta, GA • Charleston, SC • Jackson, MS

DATE	DESCRIPTION	QTY	U/M	RATE	AMOUNT
	Creekside Elementary				
	Amount Due on Electronics less \$1000.00			\$16,000.00	
	Cabling not previous billed			\$ 2,488.00	
	Balance due on Data Network billed Oct 20, 1998			\$36,000.00	
				<del>TOTAL DUE \$54,488.00</del>	

PLEASE REMIT TO:

ANS, INC  
100 INDUSTRIAL PARK ROAD  
MILLEDGEVILLE, GA 31061

*[Handwritten Signature]*  
12/3/98

DUE UPON RECEIPT  
WE APPRECIATE YOUR BUSINESS

CONTROL#	PO# INVOICE#	DESCRIPTION	DATE	AMOUNT
04193-9991	000000 980325	059001	11/30/98	54,488.00
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT ▶</b>				<b>54,488.00</b>

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GENERAL FUND



No. **507796**

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PAY

FIFTY-FOUR THOUSAND FOUR HUNDRED EIGHTY EIGHT AND 00/100

AMOUNT

\*\*\*54,488.00

PAY TO  
THE  
ORDER OF

AUTOMATED NETWORK SYSTEMS  
100 INDUSTRIAL PARK RD  
MILLEDGEVILLE, GA

31061

VOID AFTER 90 DAYS

NON-NEGOTIABLE

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

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Automated Network Systems

COMMUNICATION CABLING INSTALLATION  
Data • Voice • Video • Satellite • Fiber

# Invoice

DATE	INVOICE #
12/31/98	980504

<b>BILL TO</b>
Baldwin County BOE Accounts Payable 435 N. Cobb Street Milledgeville, GA 31061

P.O. NO	TERMS	REP	JOB NUMBER
CS9-001	Net 10	RD	BAL001

ITEM	QUANTITY	DESCRIPTION	RATE	AMOUNT
Cabling		Balance due on electronics installation	1,000.00	1,000.00
<p>99-307-0-9990-4000-73000-0199</p> <p><i>SA</i></p> <p><i>OK BZ</i></p>				

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Milledgeville, GA 31061

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<b>Total</b>	<b>\$1,000.00</b>
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COL#	PO# INVOICE#	DESCRIPTION	DATE	AMOUNT
193-9590	000000 980504	CS9001	1/14/99	1,000.00
<b>TOTAL AMOUNT ▶</b>				<b>1,000.00</b>

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DATE: 1/15/99 CHECK NO. **No. 508397**

64-176  
611

GENERAL FUND

PAY

ONE THOUSAND AND 00/100

AMOUNT  
\*\*\*\*\*1,000.00

PAY TO THE ORDER OF: AUTOMATED NETWORK SYSTEMS  
100 INDUSTRIAL PARK RD.  
MILLEDGEVILLE, GA 31061

VOID AFTER 90 DAYS

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AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE

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99-307-0-9990-4000-73000-0199

*SA*

*OK BZ*

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Milledgeville, GA 31061

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**Total**

**\$1,000.00**

Corporate Headquarters

100 Industrial Park Road • Milledgeville, Georgia 31061 • (912) 454-1011 • Fax (912) 453-7164



UNIVERSAL SERVICE  
ADMINISTRATIVE CO.

Box 125 – Correspondence Unit  
100 South Jefferson Road  
Whippany, New Jersey 07981

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SCHOOLS AND LIBRARIES DIVISION

**Administrator's Decision on SPIN Change**

August 26, 1999

R.B Lamb  
Baldwin County School System  
PO Box 1188  
Milledgeville, GA 31061

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FCC MAIL ROOM

Re:    Application Number:           31686  
      Funding Request Numbers:    32387  
      Funding Year:                   1998

After thorough review and investigation of your letter seeking approval to change Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN) and service provider for the funding year listed above, the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company has made the following determination on each Funding Request Number that was included in your inquiry for the above referenced Application Number.

Funding Request Numbers:    FRN's listed above:  
Decision on inquiry to change SPIN number and service provider:   Denied

The following explanation is provided to inform you of the reason for our decision on these Funding Request Numbers.

The SLD has finalized its policy and procedures for considering requests from applicants to change SPINs and allow substitution of service providers. The only circumstances under which the SLD can approve such SPIN change requests are:

- Service provider refuses to participate in the E-rate program
- Service provider has gone out of business
- Service provider has breached its contract with the applicant

It has been determined that your situation did not fall into the above mentioned categories, therefore your request has been denied.

If, as a result of this decision, you decide to rescind your request to change service provider, you may do so by filling in the box below and faxing it to the number indicated. This will facilitate the processing of your application as originally filed. You will also need to file a Form 486 indicating the Service Start Date with the original service provider identified in your Form 471. However, please note that if you have already begun to receive services from the unapproved new service provider, no funds will be available from the E-rate program for that service provider.

If you feel further examination of your application is in order, you may file an appeal with the Federal Communications Commission, Office of the Secretary, 445 12<sup>TH</sup> Street, S.W., Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. Before preparing and submitting your appeal, please be sure to review the FCC rules concerning the filing of an appeal of an Administrator's Decision, which are posted to the SLD Web Site at <www.sl.universalservice.org>. The appeal must be filed with the FCC no later than 30 days from the date of the issuance of this letter, in order for the appeal to be filed in a timely fashion.

Thank you for your continued patience and cooperation during the decision process.

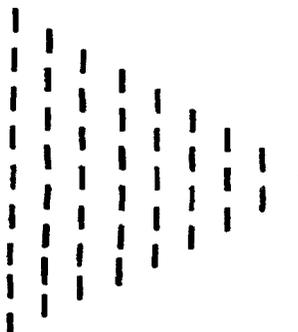
Schools and Libraries Division  
Universal Service Administrative Company

<b>Funding Request Number(s):</b>	<b>Original Service Provider (as listed in Form 471) and SPIN:</b>
<b>I hereby rescind my request to change the above named Service Provider. I will submit a Form 486 (to the address listed on the Form 486) indicating the above-named Service Provider and listing the Service Start Date.</b>	
<b>Print Name:</b>	
<b>Signature:</b>	
<b>Date:</b>	

**Fax to: Schools and Libraries SPIN Change Team (973) 884-8217**

*ARON  
From SLC Div*

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# South Tel.

Your friend in the communication business

March 30, 2000

To: Dr. Robert Lamb  
Baldwin County School Dist.

Tel. 912-457-3320  
Fax 912-457-3327

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APR 12 2000

From: Mark Fordham

RE: Funding Request Number 32387

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To Whom It May Concern,

South Tel, Inc., Spin Number 143009861, chose not to bid on the second proposal from 471 Applicant Number 31686 Baldwin County School District due to our work load with our existing customers. However, we received an approved applicant reimbursement from USAC S&L Fund.

My understanding of what has transpired in this situation is still a little cloudy. I'm submitting this letter in an effort to clear up any errors which may have occurred in the application process between Applicant Number 31686 and the USAC S&L Fund.

I can be reached at the number listed on this letterhead if any questions arise.

Sincerely,

Mark Fordham  
General Manager



Schools and Libraries  
Division

Box 125 - Correspondence Unit  
100 South Jefferson Road  
Whippany, NJ 07981  
Phone: 888-203-8100

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South Tel, Inc.  
Mark Fordham  
205 E. Gordon St.  
Thomaston, GA 30286

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March 16, 2000

Subject: Approval of Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form

South Tel, Inc.  
Service Provider Identification Number: 143009861

471 Applicant:  
BALDWIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT  
DR. ROBERT LAMB  
435 NORTH COBB STREET  
MILLEDGEVILLE, GA 31061-2634

Billed Entity Number: 127441  
Total Amount of Reimbursement Approved for Payment: \$39443.76  
Applicant Reimbursement Form Number: 00031686  
SLD Applicant Reimbursement Form Number: 26761  
Contact Name for Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form: DR. ROBERT LAMB  
Preferred Mode of Contact: PHONE  
Contact Info: (912) 445-4176

As you know from a "Funding Commitment Decisions" letter previously sent to you, the SLD has committed to reimbursing you for the discounted portion of eligible services provided to eligible entities pursuant to Form(s) 471 filed by the 471 Applicant named above. You also know from a "Form 486 Notification" letter also sent to you previously that this 471 Applicant has filed a Form 486 advising the SLD that service has begun to be delivered. You have also worked with the 471 Applicant to complete a Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form seeking reimbursement to the 471 Applicant of the discounted portion of bills paid in full to you since the effective date of the discount.

The SLD has processed the Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form and found it to be in compliance with Federal Communications Commission (FCC) rules. Pursuant to the Service Provider Acknowledgement page of the Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form, which you signed, you must remit to the 471 Applicant as soon as possible the amount shown as "Total Amount of Reimbursement Approved for Payment" above, but in no event later than 10

calendar days after receipt of payment of the approved discounts from the Universal Service Administrative Company. You also agreed not to tender or make use of the payment of the approved discounts issued by the Universal Service Administrative Company to you prior to remitting the discount to the Billed Entity Applicant. If the "Total Amount of Reimbursement Approved for Payment" is greater than the amount of the "Total Funding Commitment Decision", then the Universal Service Administrative Company will issue a check in an amount not to exceed the "Total Funding Commitment Decision".

To provide the discount amount, the "Total Amount of Reimbursement Approved for Payment", to the Form 471 Billed Entity Applicant, the service provider may (1) issue a check, or (2) issue a credit on the 471 Applicant's bill.

On the following page(s) is a list, by row of Items 15 and 16 of FCC Form 471, showing the Reimbursement amount billed for each FRN. For each item, there is the Funding Request Number (FRN), and several other identifying pieces of information. For each FRN, the SLD will deduct the amount approved for reimbursement from the Funding Commitment Decision it has made for the FRN, so that the maximum remaining amount to be paid will be the original commitment less the amount approved for reimbursement to the 471 Applicant.

#### Explanation of Information Provided in Approval of Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form Letter

On the following pages we provide you with identifying information for the FRNs for which the 471 Applicant is seeking reimbursement. To help understand this synopsis the following definitions are provided:

- \* Funding Request Number (FRN): A number assigned by the SLD that identifies a Funding Request. A Funding Request is a single row of Item 15 or 16.
- \* 471 Application Number: The Form 471 Application Number assigned by the SLD to the Form 471, from Item 3b of the Form 471.
- \* Funding Year: The funding year for which discounts have been approved.
- \* Provider Contract Number: The number of the contract between the eligible party and the service provider. This will be present only if a contract number was provided on Form 471.
- \* Total Funding Commitment Decision: This represents the total amount of discounts for the funding year that the SLD has reserved to pay the discounted cost of this service.
- \* Reimbursement Amount for this FRN: This is the amount of reimbursement to the 471 Applicant that has been approved for the FRN. This amount will be deducted from the Total Funding Commitment Decision.
- \* Reimbursement Request Decision Explanation (if applicable): This is the reason(s) that a Reimbursement Request may be reduced or rejected.

Synopsis of Approved Applicant Reimbursement Amounts by FRN

Funding Request Number: 32387  
471 Application Number: 31686  
Funding Year: 01/01/1998 - 06/30/1999  
Provider Contract Number: C  
Total Funding Commitment Decision: \$39443.76  
Reimbursement Amount for this FRN: \$39443.76

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CC: BALDWIN COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT