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Before the  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of )  
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Request for Review of the )  
Decision of the )  
Universal Service Administrator by )  
)  
Stratford Board of Education )  
Stratford, Connecticut )  
)  
Federal-State Joint Board on )  
Universal Service )  
)  
Changes to the Board of Directors of the )  
National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. )

File No. SLD-23402

CC Docket No. 96-45 ✓

CC Docket No. 97-21

**ORDER**

**Adopted: June 23, 2000**

**Released: June 26, 2000**

By the Accounting Policy Division:

1. This Order dismisses the Letter of Appeal filed by Stratford Board of Education (Stratford), Stratford, Connecticut, seeking review of a decision issued by the Universal Service Administrative Company's Schools and Libraries Division on June 22, 1999.<sup>1</sup> The Commission received Stratford's Letter of Appeal on March 9, 2000.<sup>2</sup> Under section 54.720(b) of the Commission's rules, any such appeal must be filed within 30 days of the issuance of the decision as to which review is sought.<sup>3</sup> Documents are considered to be filed with the Commission only upon receipt.<sup>4</sup> Because the instant Letter of Appeal was not filed within the specified 30-day period, it will be dismissed without further consideration.<sup>5</sup>

2. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to authority delegated under sections 0.91, 0.291, and 54.722(a) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91, 0.291, and 54.722(a),

<sup>1</sup> See Letter from Schools and Libraries Division, Universal Service Administrative Co., to Vincent Faggella, Stratford School District, dated June 22, 1999.

<sup>2</sup> Letter from Natalie Carrignan, Stratford Board of Education, to Federal Communications Commission, filed March 9, 2000 (Letter of Appeal).

<sup>3</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 54.720(b).

<sup>4</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 1.7.

<sup>5</sup> Although Stratford states that it filed an appeal with SLD seeking special relief of the 30-day deadline in July 1999, there is no indication in SLD's records that such an appeal was filed.

that the Letter of Appeal filed March 9, 2000, by Stratford Board of Education, Stratford Connecticut, IS DISMISSED.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION



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