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Letter of Appeal
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Dear Sir/Madam:

This letter of appeal concerns the funding commitment decisions communicated in your letter of August 7, 2001. **Our Form 471 Application Number is 232274, Billed Entity Number 208495 (Funding Year 7/01/2001 – 6/30/2002).**

All five of our funding requests were denied: FRN 542383, FRN 542457, FRN 542505, FRN 542932, and FRN 542993. The reason given for withholding funding in all five cases was **“the FRN references services that require a posting of a 470 for each funding year.”**

We did not understand that a new 470 must be filed each year. Having been assigned the 470AN, 865640000258844, we mistakenly assumed that this constituted a permanent 470 file for our school. The telecommunications needs outlined in our original Form 470 remain the same, and are reflected as such in our current Form 471 Application. In filing the Form 471 this year, we thought we had fully complied with requirements. We will be happy to file the 470, or whatever documents necessary to complete the application.

Our staff is very grateful for the funding we have received during the past year. Our curriculum has been greatly enhanced. We are hopeful that this filing oversight, which can be easily corrected, will not stand in the way of our continuing to receive much needed funds to further advance the children's technology competence.

Sincerely,



Gloria House, Ph.D.
Deputy Superintendent

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