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Administrator's Decision on Appeal – Funding Year 2006-2007

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Re: Applicant Name: YOUTHBUILD ALBUQUERQUE
Billed Entity Number: 16028780
Form 471 Application Number: 524253
Funding Request Number(s): 1443915
Your Correspondence Dated: December 04, 2006

After thorough review and investigation of all relevant facts, the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) has made its decision in regard to your appeal of USAC's Funding Year 2006 Funding Commitment Decision Letter for the Application Number indicated above. This letter explains the basis of USAC's decision. The date of this letter begins the 60 day time period for appealing this decision to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). If your Letter of Appeal included more than one Application Number, please note that you will receive a separate letter for each application.

Funding Request Number(s): 1443915
Decision on Appeal: **Denied**
Explanation:

- Upon thorough review of the appeal letter and the relevant documentation, the USAC has determined that the applicant failed to respond to the Program Integrity Assurance (PIA) inquiries in a timely manner. PIA made initial contact with the authorized contact on September 7, 2006, via telephone, where the authorized contact stated that they were available to respond to questions for the application, and via email and fax, where PIA requested that the authorized contact provide documentation including information for duplicate FRNs within 15-days. The record shows that on September 14, 2006, PIA contacted and reminded the authorized contact, via email and fax, that the requested documentation's due date was September 22, 2006. As of September 25, 2006 the authorized contact failed to provide a complete response to PIA. Per program rules, if there is

insufficient documentation to determine the eligibility of a service, the service is deemed ineligible. You have failed to provide evidence on appeal that USAC erred in its original decision. Consequently, the appeal is denied.

- USAC reviews Form 471 applications and makes funding commitment decisions in compliance with FCC rules. See 47 C.F.R. sec. 54.500 et. seq. To conduct these reviews, USAC has put in place administrative measures to ensure the prompt resolution of applications. If applicants do not respond within the designated time period, USAC reviews the application based on the information before it. See Request for Review by Marshall County School District, Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, Changes to the Board of Directors of the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc., CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 97-21, 18 FCC Rcd. 4520, 4522, Order, DA 03-764 para. 6 (rel. Mar. 13, 2003). (Marshall County) Typically applicants are required to respond to USAC's requests for additional information necessary to complete their application within 15 days of being contacted. See Request for Review of the Decision of the Universal Service Administrator by Bishop Perry Middle School, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, FCC 06-54 para. 23 (rel. May 19, 2006). Id.; SLD section of the USAC website, Reference Area, "Deadline for Information Requests," www.usac.org/sl. This procedure is necessary to prevent undue delays during the application review process.

If your appeal has been approved, but funding has been reduced or denied, you may appeal these decisions to either USAC or the FCC. For appeals that have been denied in full, partially approved, dismissed, or canceled, you may file an appeal with the FCC. You should refer to CC Docket No. 02-6 on the first page of your appeal to the FCC. Your appeal must be received or postmarked within 60 days of the date on this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. If you are submitting your appeal via United States Postal Service, send to: FCC, Office of the Secretary, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554. Further information and options for filing an appeal directly with the FCC can be found in the "Appeals Procedure" posted in the Reference Area of the SLD section of the USAC website or by contacting the Client Service Bureau. We strongly recommend that you use the electronic filing options.

We thank you for your continued support, patience and cooperation during the appeal process.

Schools and Libraries Division
Universal Service Administrative Company

cc: Cyndi Dotson