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Andrew Nemec
BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR / BOARD SECRETARY

August 21, 2007

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

VIA: ECFS File Attachment

CC Docket No. 02-6
"Request for Waiver of the Application Filing Deadline for Funding Year 2007"

Dear Secretary Dortch:

Please accept this letter as a waiver of the USAC decision to *"hold ..."* our *"... application pending final review of those applications that were filed within the filing window.*

Our staff member, new to the e-rate filing system misinterpreted the leading information provided in the November 2006 SL News Brief as the last day to begin the e-rate submissions.

> *"This special edition of the SL News Brief is to alert you that the Funding Year 2007 (FY2007) application window* ***will open at NOON ET on Tuesday, November 14*** *and to give you some helpful tips for filing applications. The application filing window* ***will close at 11:59 PM ET on Wednesday, February 7, 2007****."*

The 470 was filed prior to the window's closure, forcing the 471 to be filed 28 days later, out of window.

After closer review, the leading information in the November 2006 SL News Brief would have been more relevant if it stated the last date to file the 470.

Our school district has been at the forefront of the e-rate program, consistently participating in the discount program since its inception. We respectfully request that this application be considered as filed within the filing window.

If additional information is required please contact Mr. A. B. Focarino as listed below.

Respectfully Submitted,

Andrew Nemec
Business Administrator/Board Secretary

Contact Information:
Mr. A. B. Focarino, 327 East Ridgewood Avenue, Paramus, NJ 07652
201-343-6000 x4026 allfoc@bergen.org facsimile: 201-225-9067

Applicant / Appellant Name:
Bergen County Technical Schools, 327 East Ridgewood Avenue, Paramus, NJ 07652

Billing Entity Number (BEN): 150845 **471 Application Number:** 575908

Administrator's Decision on Appeal – Funding Year 2007-2008

August 15, 2007

Andrew Nemec
Bergen County Technical Schools
327 East Ridgewood Avenue
Paramus, NJ 07652-4897

Re:	Applicant Name:	BERGEN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOLS
	Billed Entity Number:	150845
	Form 471 Application Number:	575908
	Funding Request Number(s):	1630534, 1630535, 1630536, 1630538, 1630539, 1630706
	Your Correspondence Dated:	July 17, 2007

The Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) received your request for a waiver of the Application Filing Deadline for Funding Year 2007 of the Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism.

Federal Communications Commission (FCC) rules do not permit USAC to consider requests for waivers. If you believe there is a basis for further examination of your request, you may file a waiver request with the FCC. You should refer to CC Docket No. 02-6 on the first page of your waiver request to the FCC. If you are submitting your waiver request 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 a waiver request 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.

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FUNDING YEAR 2007 FORM 471
POSTMARKED OUTSIDE OF WINDOW

June 29, 2007

A. B. Focarino
BERGEN COUNTY TECHNICAL SCHOOLS
327 EAST RIDGEWOOD AVENUE
PARAMUS, NJ 07652

Re: Applicant's Form Identifier: 471 BCTS 2007-8
Form 471 Application Number: 575908

Dear A. B. Focarino:

We're sending this letter to thank you for your recent Form 471 application. Your Form 471 application was postmarked on 03/13/2007, which is AFTER the 2007-2008 filing window closed at 11:59 p.m. EST on Thursday, February 8, 2007.

Program rules require us to hold your application pending final review of those applications that were filed within the filing window. We will post an announcement on the USAC website at www.usac.org/sl once we determine if funding applications that were submitted within the application filing window will fully utilize all the funds available for this Funding Year.

For more information about the processing of pending applications, about funding for applications filed after the close of the filing window or about plans for future Funding Years, please visit our website or call the Client Service Bureau at 1-888-203-8100.

TO APPEAL THIS DECISION:

If you wish to appeal a decision indicated in this letter, your appeal must be received by USAC or postmarked within 60 days of the date of this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. In your letter of appeal:

1. Include the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and (if available) email address for the person who can most readily discuss this appeal with us.

2. State outright that your letter is an appeal. Include the following to identify the decision letter and the decision you are appealing:
   - Appellant name,
   - Applicant name,
   - BEN,
   - Application number 575908 as assigned by USAC,
   - "Funding Year 2007 Form 471 Postmarked Outside of Window Letter,"

   AND
   - The exact text or the decision that you are appealing.

3. Please keep your letter to the point, and provide documentation to support your appeal. Be sure to keep a copy of your entire appeal, including any correspondence and documentation.

4. If you are an applicant, please provide a copy of your appeal to the service provider(s) affected by USAC's decision. If you are a service provider, please

provide a copy of your appeal to the applicant(s) affected by USAC's decision.

5. Provide an authorized signature on your letter of appeal.

To submit your appeal to USAC by email, email to appeals@sl.universalservice.org. USAC will automatically reply to incoming emails to confirm receipt.

To submit your appeal to us by fax, fax your appeal to (973)599-6542.

To submit your appeal to us on paper, send your appeal to:

Letter of Appeal
Schools and Libraries Division - Correspondence Unit
100 South Jefferson Road
P.O. Box 902
Whippany, NJ 07981

You have the option of filing an appeal with USAC or with the Federal Communications Commission (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 by the FCC or postmarked within 60 days of the above date on this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. We strongly recommend that you use the electronic filing options described in the "Appeals Procedure" posted on our website. 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.

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