



Universal Service Administrative Company
Schools & Libraries Division

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

July 14, 2009

Dr. Joseph Alexander
New Covenant Christian School
1179 Boston Road
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Re: Applicant Name: NEW COVENANT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
Billed Entity Number: 10714
Form 471 Application Number: 523146
Funding Request Number(s): 1440338
Your Correspondence Dated: July 03, 2009

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 Notification of Improperly Disbursed Funds 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): 1440338
Decision on Appeal: **Denied**
Explanation:

- The record shows that New Covenant Christian School was approved for E-rate discounts on services other than "POTS" wireless and wireline telephone services for which a technology plan is required. The record also shows that this is a request for contracted Internet Access. The certification for FCC Form 486: 356642 was postmarked on September 17, 2006 and listed a Service Start Date (SSD) of July 1, 2006. The Technology Plan Approval Letter (TPAL) indicates that the School technology plan was approved on January 11, 2007. The rules of this support mechanism dictate that the technology plan on which services are based have to be approved before the start of service. Since New Covenant

Christian School did not comply with this program requirement, the appeal is denied.

FCC Rules require applicants to certify on their FCC Form 470 and FCC Form 471 that the entities receiving products and/or services other than basic telephone service are covered by an individual and/or higher-level technology plan that has been, or is in the process of being approved. 47 C.F.R. sec. 54.504(b)(2)(iii) and (iv); 47 C.F.R. sec. 54.504(c)(1)(iv) and (v). The applicants are required to obtain approvals of their technology plans from their state, the Administrator, or an independent entity approved by the Commission and certified by USAC as qualified to provide such approval. On their FCC Form 486, applicants confirm that their plan was approved before they began receiving services. Pursuant to the FCC's Fifth Report and Order (FCC 04-190, released August 13, 2004), FCC Rules require technology plans to include five mandatory content elements relating to the applicant's educational development strategies. See 47 C.F.R. sec. 54.508 for technology plan requirements.

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.

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Re: Applicant Name: NEW COVENANT CHRISTIAN SCHOOL
Billed Entity Number: 10714
Form 471 Application Number: 523340
Funding Request Number(s): 1440765, 1440782, 1440811, 1440852
Your Correspondence Dated: July 03, 2009

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 Notification of Improperly Disbursed Funds 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): 1440852
Decision on Appeal: **Dismissed**
Explanation:

- USAC has determined that the above funding request is not in any violation of program rules. Therefore the issue you raise on appeal is now moot and requires no action by USAC at this time. Your appeal has been dismissed.

Funding Request Number(s): 1440765, 1440782
Decision on Appeal: **Denied**
Explanation:

- The record shows that New Covenant Christian School was approved for E-rate discounts on services other than "POTS" wireless and wireline telephone services

for which a technology plan is required. The certification for FCC Form 486: 374532 was postmarked on December 20, 2006 and listed a Service Start Date (SSD) of July 1, 2006. The Technology Plan Approval Letter (TPAL) indicates that the School technology plan was approved on January 11, 2007. The rules of this support mechanism dictate that the technology plan on which services are based have to be approved before the start of service. Since New Covenant Christian School did not comply with this program requirement, the appeal is denied.

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Funding Request Number(s): 1440811
Decision on Appeal: **Denied**
Explanation:

- The record shows that New Covenant Christian School was approved for E-rate discounts on services other than "POTS" wireless and wireline telephone services for which a technology plan is required. The certification for FCC Form 486: 374532 was postmarked on December 20, 2006 and listed a Service Start Date (SSD) of July 1, 2006. As indicated above the School Technology Plan Approval Letter (TPAL) shows that the School technology plan was approved on January 11, 2007. On February 20, 2009 the School informed USAC via e-mail that Cisco Router model 2801 w/VWIC-2MFT-T1 was installed on October 11, 2006. The rules of this support mechanism dictate that the technology plan on which applicants based their purchases must be approved before any equipment is installed. Since New Covenant Christian School did not comply with this program requirement, the appeal is denied.

FCC Rules require applicants to certify on their FCC Form 470 and FCC Form 471 that the entities receiving products and/or services other than basic telephone service are covered by an individual and/or higher-level technology plan that has been, or is in the process of being approved. 47 C.F.R. sec. 54.504(b)(2)(iii) and (iv);47 C.F.R. sec. 54.504(c)(1)(iv) and (v). The applicants are required to obtain approvals of their technology plans from their state, the Administrator, or an independent entity approved by the Commission and certified by USAC as

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