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May 10, 2011

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

**Re: Request for Review - CC Docket No. 96-45 and 02-6
Frederick County Public Library - Billed Entity No. 126409
FCC Form 471 Application No(s). 494024 (Funding Year 2006)
Funding Request No(s): 1385718 and 1385726**

Dear Secretary Dortch:

This Request for Review addresses the Schools and Libraries Division's (SLD) issuance of the Notification of Improperly Disbursed Funds Recovery Letters for the Funding Request Numbers (FRN) on the above-referenced FCC Form 471 (Application No. 494024).¹ E-Rate Elite Services, Inc. has been retained to act on behalf of Frederick County Public Library (FCPL) with regards to this matter.

FCPL exerted its best effort to be compliant and forthcoming with regards to their application for funding in Funding Year 2006 to include the respective discount level for the entities listed on the application. Additionally, at the time of the aforementioned Form 471 filing, USAC's online filing system precluded FCPL from entering 44% as the discount level. The system only allowed the applicant to enter whole numbers for the discount. As a result 50% was entered with the understanding that the correction would be made during Program Integrity Assurance (PIA) Review.

During PIA Review FCPL provided documentation and responses to all requests from the SLD Reviewer, Marie C. Thomas, to have the originally requested discount level of 50%

¹ Notification of Improperly Disbursed Funds Recovery Letters from Schools and Libraries Division, Universal Service Administrative Company, to Frederick County Public Library c/o Garnet E. Person, E-Rate Elite Services, Inc. (dated November 22, 2010 and November 30, 2010)

adjusted to 44% to agree with the discount level information for the Frederick County Public School District, the school district in which FCPL is geographically located.² The documentation provided by FCPL was then used by SLD to approve the shared discount level at 44% as stated in July 9, 2007 Revised Funding Commitment Decision Letter.³ On March 13, 2009, nearly two years after the disbursement of funds to the FCPL for Funding Year 2006, SLD issued a second Revised Funding Commitment Decision Letter to note that the discount was further reduced to 40%.⁴

FCPL provided sufficient information in Funding Year 2006 for USAC to have determined during the review process the appropriate discount and render a decision accordingly. FCPL was consistent with their filing and believe their representations and SLD's approval of the funding and discount, at the time, were accurate and compliant with E-Rate programmatic guidelines. FCPL reasonably relied on SLD's evaluation of the documentation as confirmation of compliance.

Based on the foregoing, we respectfully request that SLD grant this appeal and rescind the Improperly Disbursed Funds Recovery Letter. The aforementioned clearly outlines: 1) FCPL did properly file a Form 471 and timely responded to all requests for documentation by the assigned SLD PIA Reviewer in support of the discount level. 2) Ms. Thomas, SLD Reviewer, determined the discount even after sufficient information was provided to accurately determine the proper discount level. SLD subsequently issued a Revised Funding Decision Letter to inform FCPL of the committed discount level and funding. A more attentive and intricate review of documentation would have afforded FCPL the opportunity to identify a potential issue and apply an immediately remedy. 3) FCPL remained consistent with their filings throughout the years and SLD's failure to properly evaluate the information provided creates significant and undue hardship upon the FCPL community.

FCPL had no intention to defraud or abuse the program and utilized all funding that was provided in the manner originally indicated within their funding request. SLD's initial and continuing funding of the services resulted in the provision of essential services for the advancement of the patrons in the in the surrounding communities of FCPL. An attempt to recover funds that were allegedly inappropriately disbursed is not only contrary to the intent of the program, is inconsistent with the public interest. The approval and subsequent disbursement of funding, given FCPL's full disclosure of documentation, was interpreted as confirmation of their compliance with programmatic guidelines. To attempt to retroactively recover funds, given SLD's review and acceptance of documentation, commitment and the disbursement of funding, places undue and unnecessary financial hardship upon the FCPL community.

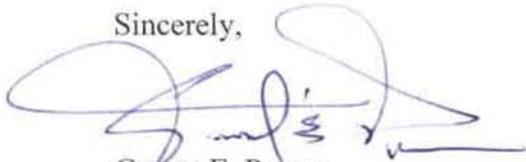
² E-Rate Program Integrity Assurance Review letter from Schools and Libraries Division, Universal Service Administrative Company Associate Manager-PIA Reviewer Marie C. Thomas to Frederick County Public Library c/o Garnet E. Person, E-Rate Elite Services, Inc. (dated March 27, 2006)

³ Revised Funding Commitment Decision Letter from Schools and Libraries Division, Universal Service Administrative Company to Frederick County Public Library c/o Garnet E. Person, E-Rate Elite Services, Inc. (dated July 9, 2007)

⁴ Revised Funding Commitment Decision Letter from Schools and Libraries Division, Universal Service Administrative Company to Frederick County Public Library c/o Garnet E. Person, E-Rate Elite Services, Inc. (dated March 13, 2009)

Based on the foregoing, we respectfully request that the FCC review the SLD's decision, under the established policies, procedures and information provided above.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Garnet E. Person', with a large, stylized flourish extending to the right.

Garnet E. Person
CEO, E-Rate Elite Services, Inc.

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Universal Service Administrative Company
Schools & Libraries Division

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

April 14, 2011

Garnet E. Person
E-Rate Elite Services, Inc.
P.O. Box 563
Owings Mills, MD 21117

Re: Applicant Name: FREDERICK COUNTY PUBLIC
LIBRARY
Billed Entity Number: 126409
Form 471 Application Number: 494024
Funding Request Number(s): 1385718, 1385726
Your Correspondence Dated: January 21, 2011

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): 1385718, 1385726
Decision on Appeal: **Denied**
Explanation:

- On appeal, you request to rescind Notification of Improperly disbursed funds and state that the discount for Frederick county Public District is 44% where Frederick County Public Library is located. During the Appeal Review USAC assessed the facts presented in the appeal letter, the relevant documentation, and the FCC Rules and Procedures before making its determination on your appeal. A library branch or outlet uses the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) data for the public school district in which it is located. The discount level also depends upon whether the school district is in a rural or an urban area. A library system discount is calculated from the simple average of the eligible free and reduced students divided by the enrollment of students in the school

district. The student discount percentage is then matched to the discount matrix to determine the correct discount level for the Library. USAC has determined that the discount for Frederick County Public Library should be 40% based on this calculation, see the website link <http://www.usac.org/sl/applicants/step05> for additional guidance. There is no other alternative information provided along with your appeal that indicates USAC has erred in its initial determination. Therefore the appeal is denied.

- FCC Rules provide that the discount available to an applicant is determined by indicators of poverty and high cost. 47 C.F.R. sec. 54.505(b). The level of poverty is measured by the percentage of students enrolled in a school or school district who are eligible for a free or reduced price lunch under the National School Lunch Program, or a federally-approved alternative mechanism. Alternatively, the level of poverty is measured according to participation in Medicaid, Food Stamps, Supplementary Security Income (SSI), Federal Public Housing Assistance or Section 8, or Low Income Home Energy Assistance Program (LIHEAP). See Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45, Report and Order, 12 FCC Rcd 8776, 9045, FCC 97-157 para. 510 n. 1334 (rel. May 8, 1997). The high cost determination is made pursuant to FCC Rules that classify a school or library as rural or urban. 47 C.F.R. sec. 54.505(b)(3). An applicant's discount rate is determined by reference to a matrix based upon the level of poverty and whether the entity is classified as rural or urban. 47 C.F.R. sec. 54.505(c).

If your appeal has 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.

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Billed Entity Number: 126409
Form 471 Application Number: 494024
Form 486 Application Number:

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Schools & Libraries Division

Notification of Improperly Disbursed Funds Recovery Letter
Funding Year 2006: July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2007

November 22, 2010

Garnet E. Person
FREDERICK COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
300 Redland Court
Owings Mills, MD 21117 5630

Re: Form 471 Application Number: 494024
Funding Year: 2006
Applicant's Form Identifier: 471FCPL06
Billed Entity Number: 126409
FCC Registration Number: 0000000000
SPIN: 143001401
SPIN Name: Verizon Maryland Inc.
Service Provider Contact Person: Robert Kannegieser

Our routine review of Schools and Libraries Program (Program) funding commitments has revealed certain applications where funds were disbursed in violation of Program rules.

In order to be sure that no funds are used in violation of Program rules, the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) must now recover these improper disbursements. The purpose of this letter is to inform you of the recoveries as required by Program rules, and to give you an opportunity to appeal this decision. USAC has determined the applicant is responsible for all or some of the Program rule violations. Therefore, the applicant is responsible to repay all or some of the funds disbursed in error.

This is NOT a bill. The next step in the recovery of improperly disbursed funds process is for USAC to issue you a Demand Payment Letter. The balance of the debt will be due within 30 days of that letter. Failure to pay the debt within 30 days from the date of the Demand Payment Letter could result in interest, late payment fees, administrative charges and implementation of the "Red Light Rule." The FCC's Red Light Rule requires USAC to dismiss pending FCC Form 471 applications if the entity responsible for paying the outstanding debt has not paid the debt, or otherwise made satisfactory arrangements to pay the debt within 30 days of the notice provided by USAC. For more information on the Red Light Rule, please see "Red Light Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs)" posted on the FCC website at http://www.fcc.gov/debt_collection/faq.html.

TO APPEAL THIS DECISION:

You have to option of filing an appeal with USAC or directly with the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

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1. Include the name, address, telephone number, fax number, and email address (if available) for the person who can most readily discuss this appeal with us.
2. State outright that your letter is an appeal. Identify the date of the Notification of Improperly Disbursed Funds Recovery Letter and the funding request numbers you are appealing. Your letter of appeal must include the
 - Billed Entity Name,
 - Form 471 Application Number,
 - Billed Entity Number, and
 - FCC Registration Number (FCC RN) from the top of your letter.
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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 S. Jefferson Rd.
P. O. Box 902
Whippany, NJ 07981

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Schools and Libraries Division
Universal Services Administrative Company

cc: Robert Kannegieser
Verizon Maryland Inc.

Funding Disbursement Recovery Report
for Form 471 Application Number: 494024

Funding Request Number: 1385718
Services Ordered: TELCOMM SERVICES
SPIN: 143001401
Service Provider Name: Verizon Maryland Inc.
Contract Number: T
Billing Account Number:
Site Identifier: 126409
Funding Commitment: \$10,173.02
Funds Disbursed to Date: \$11,190.33
Funds to be Recovered from Applicant: \$1,017.31

Disbursed Funds Recovery Explanation:

After a thorough review, it was determined that \$1,017.31 in funds was improperly disbursed for this funding request. On the original Form 471 the applicant was approved at a 44 percent discount. FCC rules indicate that the level of poverty shall be measured by the percentage of the student enrollment that is eligible for a free or reduced price lunch under the national school lunch program or a federally-approved alternative mechanism. The applicant was notified by a Revised Funding Commitment Decision Letter dated 3/13/09 that the applicant is only eligible to receive a 40 percent discount. The commitment was reduced from \$11,190.33 to \$10,173.02. This determination was based on the shared discount being re-calculated in the process of including Fredrick County Public Library (BEN 16038221) as a Non-Instructional Facility Number (NIF) to the Block 4 worksheet. Since \$11,190.33 was all ready disbursed at the time the commitment was reduced, USAC is seeking recovery of \$1,017.31.

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Notification of Improperly Disbursed Funds Recovery Letter
Funding Year 2006: July 1, 2006 - June 30, 2007

November 30, 2010

Garnet E. Person
FREDERICK COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
300 Redland Court
Owings Mills, MD 21117 5630

Re: Form 471 Application Number: 494024
Funding Year: 2006
Applicant's Form Identifier: 471FCPL06
Billed Entity Number: 126409
FCC Registration Number: 0000000000
SPIN: 143000677
SPIN Name: Cellco Partnership
Service Provider Contact Person: Diane Reese

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Schools and Libraries Division
Universal Services Administrative Company

cc: Diane Reese
Cellco Partnership

Funding Disbursement Recovery Report
for Form 471 Application Number: 494024

Funding Request Number: 1385726
Services Ordered: TELCOMM SERVICES
SPIN: 143000677
Service Provider Name: Cellco Partnership
Contract Number: MTM
Billing Account Number:
Site Identifier: 126409
Funding Commitment: \$558.14
Funds Disbursed to Date: \$613.96
Funds to be Recovered from Applicant: \$55.82

Disbursed Funds Recovery Explanation:

After a thorough review, it was determined that \$55.82 in funds was improperly disbursed for this funding request. On the original Form 471 the applicant was approved at a 44 percent discount. FCC rules indicate that the level of poverty shall be measured by the percentage of the student enrollment that is eligible for a free or reduced price lunch under the national school lunch program or a federally-approved alternative mechanism. The applicant was notified by a Revised Funding Commitment Decision Letter dated 3/13/09 that the applicant is only eligible to receive a 40 percent discount. The commitment was reduced from \$613.96 to \$558.14. This determination was based on the shared discount being re-calculated in the process of including Fredrick County Public Library (BEN 16038221) as a Non-Instructional Facility Number (NIF) to the Block 4 worksheet. Since \$613.96 was all ready disbursed at the time the commitment was reduced, USAC is seeking recovery of \$55.82.

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FAX TRANSMISSION COVER SHEET

To: Garnet E. Person
Fax: 1-410-581-1209
Subject: E-Rate PIA Review App# 494024
From: PIATeam8
Date: March 27, 2006
Time: 9:01:06 AM

YOU SHOULD RECEIVE 5 PAGE(S), INCLUDING THIS COVER SHEET. IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE ALL THE PAGES, PLEASE CALL THE CONTACT SPECIFIED BELOW.

To Garnet E. Person

Please see the attached file regarding your E-Rate application.

Sincerely

Marie C. Thomas

Associate Manager-PIA Reviewer

Schools and Libraries Division

Phone: 973-581-5046

Fax: 973-599-6579

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Mar 27, 2006

Garnet E. Person
FREDERICK COUNTY PUBLIC
LIBRARY

Telephone: (410) 9025800
Application Number 494024

The Program Integrity Assurance (PIA) team is in the process of reviewing all Form 471 Applications for schools and libraries discounts to ensure that they are in compliance with the rules of the federal universal service program. We are currently in the process of reviewing your Funding Year 2005 Form 471 Application. To complete our review, we need some additional information. The information needed to complete the review is listed below.

1. For 1385734 and 1385726, please provide a copy of the summary bill that substantiates your FRN. The summary bill is usually the 1st page or the 1st two pages of your bill.

2. For FRN 1385726, please clarify that the service type is cellular phone service.

3. Based upon review of your Form 471 application and/or the documentation you provided, we were not able to determine the eligibility of insert name of URBANA REGIONAL LIBRARY. In order to be eligible to receive discounted services, per the rules of this support mechanism, schools must meet the statutory definition of an elementary or a secondary school found in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 (20 U.S.C. Section 7801 (18) and (38)) and they must not be operating as for-profit businesses, and may not have an endowment exceeding \$50 million.

Please provide documentation that will verify that the entity meets the definition provided above.

4. On your Form 471, you requested a discount percentage of 50% for the entities listed below. In order to complete our review of your application, we need to verify the discount percentage requested. In order to assist us in this process please provide the following information:

23913	BRUNSWICK PUBLIC LIBRARY	50
23921	EMMITSBURG PUBLIC LIBRARY	50
23977	MIDDLETOWN PUBLIC LIBRARY	50
24022	THURMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY	50
24029	WALKERSVILLE PUBLIC LIBRARY	50
126409	FREDERICK COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY	50
16036036	URBANA REGIONAL LIBRARY	50

Please provide third-party verification of the enrollment and number of students who meet the income eligibility guidelines of the National School Lunch Program (NSLP) for the FREDERICK COUNTY PUBLIC SCHOOL DISTRICT, which you indicated is the school district in which your library is geographically located. For example, this information may be from an official state report or web site, or may be in the form of a letter signed by the Superintendent (or chief school official) of the school district in which the library is located.

If you need additional guidance relating to the questions being asked, please refer to the Funding Year 2005 Form 471 Instructions at www.sl.universalservice.org

Please fax or e-mail the requested information to my attention. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

It is important that we receive all of the information requested so we can complete our review. **Failure to do so may result in a reduction or denial of funding.**

Should you wish to cancel this application, or any of your individual funding requests, please clearly indicate in your response that it is your intention to cancel an application or funding request(s); along with the application number and/or funding request number(s), and the complete name, title and signature of the authorized individual.

Please send the required information within seven calendar days. If you need additional time to prepare your response, please let me know as soon as possible.

Thank you for your cooperation and continued support of the Universal Service Program.

Sincerely

Marie C. Thomas
Associate Manager-PIA Reviewer
Schools and Libraries Division

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Fax: 973-599-6579
Email: mthomas@sl.universalservice.org

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Universal Service Administrative Company
Schools & Libraries Division

Revised Funding Commitment Decision Letter
(Funding Year 2006: 07/01/2006 - 06/30/2007)

July 9, 2007

FREDERICK COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
Garnet E. Person
300 Redland Court
Ste 213
Owings Mills, MD 21117

RE: Form 471 Application Number: 494024
Billed Entity Number: 126409
Applicant's Form Identifier: 471FCPL06

This letter is your notification that your appeal has been resolved and is the official Revised Funding Commitment Decision letter (RFCDL) providing you with the dollar value and other details of the funding commitment(s) made for the FCC Form 471 Application identified above in response to your appeal.

The Funding Commitment Report (Report) that follows this Revised FCDL contains a list of items that were included in your original FCDL. An explanation of the items in the attached report is included in the sample FCDL posted to the SLD section of the USAC web site, and was included in your original FCDL. Depending on the nature of your appeal, this Report may have been updated to reflect the new total amount of discount for a funding request. Applicants should use THIS updated information when completing the FCC Form 486, if Form 486 has not already been submitted.

This same information is being sent to the service provider(s) whose Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN) was featured in your funding request(s). We urge you to contact your service provider(s) to make any necessary arrangements regarding delivery of service and provision of your discounts.

IMPLEMENTATION TIMEFRAME

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) released on June 29, 2001, an Order extending the implementation period for non-recurring services. Any non-recurring service for which funds are committed in this letter may be delivered and installed up to September 30, 2008. Support for recurring services, however, is available only for services provided during the period July 01, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

If Forms 486 have not already been submitted for these services provided by this service provider as identified by the SPIN in the attached Funding Report, Forms 486 must be received or postmarked no later than 120 days after the Service Start Date, or 120 days after the date of an FCDL that approves funding, whichever is later, to receive discounts retroactively to the Service Start Date. If any funding was approved in the original FCDL and any services were provided by the service provider whose SPIN was referenced in the original Funding Report, the deadlines described above are calculated based on the original FCDL. If these services are approved as a result of a SPIN Correction, a new Form 486 will be required to allow invoicing for such services.

NEXT STEPS

Once you have reviewed this letter and have determined that some or all of your requests have been funded, your next step will be to facilitate receipt of discounts as explained in this letter.

RECURRING SERVICES: In order to receive reimbursement, you must file Form 486, Receipt of Service Confirmation Form, if it has not already been filed. The Form 486 notifies the SLD that services have been delivered. It also provides certified indication that your technology plan(s), if required, has been approved. The Form 486 and instructions are posted on the SLD web site at www.sl.universalservice.org. You may also contact the SLD Client Service Bureau by fax at 1-888-276-8736 or by phone at 1-888-203-8100 and ask that the form and instructions be sent to you. The Form 486, dated August 2003 in the lower right corner, MUST be used. As you complete Form 486, you should also contact your service provider(s) to verify they have received notice from the SLD of your funding commitment(s). After the SLD processes your Form 486, we can begin processing invoices for those discounted services (either the FCC Form 472, Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement Form filed by the applicant or the FCC Form 474, Service Provider Invoice Form filed by the service provider).

NON-RECURRING SERVICES: Since these commitments come well after your application was submitted, it is possible that Contract Expiration Dates indicated on the FCC Form 471 will have passed. The attached Funding Commitment Report for this application includes the Contract Expiration Date from the Form 471, if provided. FCC rules grant a limited extension for contracts for non-recurring services. "[C]ontracts for nonrecurring services may be voluntarily extended to coincide with the appropriate deadline for the implementation [of delivery and installation for nonrecurring services]. Parties may not, however, extend other contractual provisions beyond the dates established by the Commission's rules without complying with the competitive bidding process." [FCC 01-195, released June 29, 2001]. If you have been waiting for this commitment letter before directing your service provider to start non-recurring service and if the Contract Expiration Date on the Form 471 has passed, the SLD will not be able to process a Form 486 with a reported Service Start Date after the Contract Expiration Date. If this is true for you, you should first negotiate a contract extension with your service provider and then file an FCC Form 500, Adjustment to Funding Commitment and Modification to Receipt of Service Confirmation Form, to notify the SLD of the new Contract Expiration Date. After submitting the Form 500, your next step will be to file the Form 486 with the SLD.

If you have any questions about this Revised FCDL, please call our Client Service Bureau.

TO APPEAL THIS DECISION:

If you wish to appeal a decision in this letter, your appeal must be received by the SLD 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) e-mail 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 or service provider name, if different than appellant,
 - applicant BEN and service provider SPIN,
 - application number as assigned by USAC,
 - name of the letter and funding year - both are located at the top of the letter, AND
 - the exact text or the decision that you are appealing.
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4. If you are an applicant, please provide a copy of your appeal to the service provider(s) affected by the SLD's decision. If you are a service provider, please provide a copy of your appeal to the applicant affected by the SLD's decision.
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To submit your appeal to the SLD by e-mail, use the "Submit a Question" feature on the web site at www.sl.universalservice.org. Click "Continue," choose "Appeals" from the Topics Inquiry on the lower portion of your screen, and click "Go" to begin your appeal submission. The system will prompt you through the process. The SLD will automatically reply to incoming e-mails to confirm receipt.

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

To submit your appeal to the SLD on paper, send your appeal to:

Letter of Appeal
Schools and Libraries Division
Box 125 - Correspondence Unit
80 South Jefferson Road
Whippany, NJ 07981

While we encourage you to resolve your appeal with the SLD first, you have the option of filing an appeal directly 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 date of 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 in the Reference Area of our web site. 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.

NOTICE ON RULES AND FUNDS AVAILABILITY

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Schools and Libraries Division
Universal Service Administrative Company

FUNDING COMMITMENT REPORT
Billed Entity Name: FREDERICK COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
BEN: 126409
Funding Year: 2006

Form 471 Application Number: 494024
Funding Request Number: 1385707
Funding Status: Funded
Category of Service: TELCOMM SERVICES
Form 470 Application Number: 390900000543135
SPIN: 143001401
Service Provider Name: Verizon Maryland Inc.
Contract Number: T
Billing Account Number: N/A
Service Start Date: 07/01/2006
Contract Expiration Date: 06/30/2007
Number of Months Recurring Service Provided in Funding Year: 12
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$47,917.80
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Non-recurring Charges: \$.00
Pre-discount Amount: \$47,917.80
Discount Percentage Approved by the SLD: 44%
Funding Commitment Decision: \$21,083.83 - FRN approved; modified by SLD
Funding Commitment Decision Explanation: The shared discount was corrected per applicant documentation.

Revised FCDL Date: 07/09/2007
Appeal Wave Number: A15

Form 471 Application Number: 494024
Funding Request Number: 1385718
Funding Status: Funded
Category of Service: TELCOMM SERVICES
Form 470 Application Number: 390900000543135
SPIN: 143001401
Service Provider Name: Verizon Maryland Inc.
Contract Number: T
Billing Account Number: N/A
Service Start Date: 07/01/2006
Contract Expiration Date: 06/30/2007
Number of Months Recurring Service Provided in Funding Year: 12
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$25,432.56
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Non-recurring Charges: \$.00
Pre-discount Amount: \$25,432.56
Discount Percentage Approved by the SLD: 44%
Funding Commitment Decision: \$11,190.33 - FRN approved; modified by SLD
Funding Commitment Decision Explanation: The shared discount was corrected per applicant documentation.

Revised FCDL Date: 07/09/2007
Appeal Wave Number: A15

FUNDING COMMITMENT REPORT
Billed Entity Name: **FREDERICK COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY**
BEN: 126409
Funding Year: 2006

Form 471 Application Number: 494024
Funding Request Number: 1385726
Funding Status: Funded
Category of Service: TELCOMM SERVICES
Form 470 Application Number: 39090000543135
SPIN: 143000677
Service Provider Name: Verizon Wireless
Contract Number: MTM
Billing Account Number: N/A
Service Start Date: 07/01/2006
Contract Expiration Date: 06/30/2007
Number of Months Recurring Service Provided in Funding Year: 12
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$1,395.36
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Non-recurring Charges: \$.00
Pre-discount Amount: \$1,395.36
Discount Percentage Approved by the SLD: 44%
Funding Commitment Decision: \$613.96 - FRN approved; modified by SLD
Funding Commitment Decision Explanation: The shared discount was corrected per applicant documentation.

Revised FCDL Date: 07/09/2007
Appeal Wave Number: A15

Form 471 Application Number: 494024
Funding Request Number: 1385734
Funding Status: Funded
Category of Service: TELCOMM SERVICES
Form 470 Application Number: 39090000543135
SPIN: 143000677
Service Provider Name: Verizon Wireless
Contract Number: MTM
Billing Account Number: N/A
Service Start Date: 07/01/2006
Contract Expiration Date: 06/30/2007
Number of Months Recurring Service Provided in Funding Year: 12
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$2,901.60
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Non-recurring Charges: \$.00
Pre-discount Amount: \$2,901.60
Discount Percentage Approved by the SLD: 44%
Funding Commitment Decision: \$1,276.70 - FRN approved; modified by SLD
Funding Commitment Decision Explanation: The shared discount was corrected per applicant documentation.

Revised FCDL Date: 07/09/2007
Appeal Wave Number: A15



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Revised Funding Commitment Decision Letter
Funding Year 2006: (07/01/2006 - 06/30/2007)

March 13, 2009

Garnet E. Person
FREDERICK COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
300 Redland Court
Ste 213
Owings Mills, MD 21117

RE: Form 471 Application Number: 494024
Billed Entity Number: 126409
Applicant's Form Identifier: 471FCPL06

This letter is your notification that the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) has completed its review of your request.

The Report that follows this Revised Funding Commitment Decision Letter (RFCDL) provides you with the dollar value and other details of the funding commitments made for the Form 471 identified above. This Report may have been updated to reflect the new total amount of discount for a funding request. A decision in this Revised Funding Commitment Decision Letter (RFCDL) supersedes a decision in the FCDL you may have received for the Funding Request Number(s) (FRN) in the Funding Commitment Report (Report) that follows this letter. An explanation of the items in the Report is in the "Guide to USAC Letter Reports" posted on our website at <http://usac.org/sl/tools/reference/guide-usac-letter-reports.aspx>.

If FCC Form 486, Receipt of Service Confirmation Form, has not already been submitted, applicants should use THIS updated information when completing the Form 486.

We are also sending this information to the service provider(s) identified in the Report.

NEXT STEPS

- Work with your service provider(s) to determine if you will receive discounted bills or if you will request reimbursement from USAC after paying your bills in full
- Review technology planning approval requirements
- Review CIPA requirements
- File and certify Form(s) 486 if not already submitted
- Invoice USAC using the Form 474 (service provider) or Form 472 (Billed Entity applicant) - as products and services are being delivered and billed

IMPLEMENTATION TIMEFRAME

Remember the deadlines for delivery and installation of non-recurring service. Non-recurring service for which funds are committed in this letter may be delivered and installed on or before September 30, 2010. Support for recurring services, however, is available only for services provided during the period July 01, 2006 through June 30, 2007.

Review any Contract Expiration Dates in the attached Report. Program rules allow contracts for non-recurring services to be extended in certain circumstances. If

your contract will expire before non-recurring products/services are delivered or installed, you must extend the contract and report the new contract expiration date using an FCC Form 500, Adjustment to Funding Commitment and Modification of Receipt of Service Confirmation Form, before invoicing USAC.

Keep the Form 486 deadline in mind. If some funding was approved on an FRN in your original FCDL, use the date of the original FCDL to determine your Form 486 deadline. If a new FRN was created for this Report or no funding was approved on an FRN in your original FCDL but funding has been approved in this letter, use the date in this RFCDL to determine your Form 486 deadline. Form 486 must be received or postmarked no later than 120 days after the Service Start Date reported in the Form 486, or 120 days after the date of the FCDL that approves funding, whichever is later, to receive discounts retroactively to the Service Start Date.

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FUNDING COMMITMENT REPORT
Billed Entity Name: FREDERICK COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
BEN: 126409
Funding Year: 2006

Form 471 Application Number: 494024
Funding Request Number: 1385707
Funding Status: Funded
Category of Service: TELCOMM SERVICES
Form 470 Application Number: 390900000543135
SPIN: 143001401
Service Provider Name: Verizon Maryland Inc.
Contract Number: T
Billing Account Number: N/A
Service Start Date: 07/01/2006
Contract Expiration Date: 06/30/2007
Number of Months Recurring Service Provided in Funding Year: 12
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$47,917.80
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Non-recurring Charges: \$.00
Pre-discount Amount: \$47,917.80
Discount Percentage Approved by the SLD: 40%
Funding Commitment Decision: \$19,167.12 - ERN approved; modified by SLD
Funding Commitment Decision Explanation: MR1: Frederick County Public Library, BEN 16038221 has been added to Block 4 of the Form 471 application at the request of the applicant.

Revised FCDL Date: 03/13/2009
Appeal Wave Number: A45
Last Allowable Date for Delivery and Installation for Non-Recurring Services: 09/30/2010

For more information on submitting an appeal to USAC or to the FCC, please see the "Appeals Procedure" posted on our website at <http://usac.org/sl/about/appeals/default.aspx>.

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Schools and Libraries Division
Universal Service Administrative Company

FUNDING COMMITMENT REPORT
Billed Entity Name: FREDERICK COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
BEN: 126409
Funding Year: 2006

Form 471 Application Number: 494024
Funding Request Number: 1385718
Funding Status: Funded
Category of Service: TELCOMM SERVICES
Form 470 Application Number: 390900000543135
SPIN: 143001401
Service Provider Name: Verizon Maryland Inc.
Contract Number: T
Billing Account Number: N/A
Service Start Date: 07/01/2006
Contract Expiration Date: 06/30/2007
Number of Months Recurring Service Provided in Funding Year: 12
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$25,432.56
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Non-recurring Charges: \$.00
Pre-discount Amount: \$25,432.56
Discount Percentage Approved by the SLD: 40%
Funding Commitment Decision: \$10,173.02 - FRN approved; modified by SLD
Funding Commitment Decision Explanation: MR1: Frederick County Public Library, BEN
16038221 has been added to Block 4 of the Form 471 application at the request of the
applicant.

Revised FCDL Date: 03/13/2009
Appeal Wave Number: A45
Last Allowable Date for Delivery and Installation for Non-Recurring Services: 09/30/2010

FUNDING COMMITMENT REPORT
Billed Entity Name: FREDERICK COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY
BEN: 126409
Funding Year: 2006

Form 471 Application Number: 494024
Funding Request Number: 1385726
Funding Status: Funded
Category of Service: TELCOMM SERVICES
Form 470 Application Number: 390900000543135
SPIN: 143000677
Service Provider Name: Verizon Wireless
Contract Number: MTM
Billing Account Number: N/A
Service Start Date: 07/01/2006
Contract Expiration Date: 06/30/2007
Number of Months Recurring Service Provided in Funding Year: 12
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$1,395.36
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Non-recurring Charges: \$.00
Pre-discount Amount: \$1,395.36
Discount Percentage Approved by the SLD: 40%
Funding Commitment Decision: \$558.14 - FRN approved; modified by SLD
Funding Commitment Decision Explanation: MR1: Frederick County Public Library, BEN
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FUNDING COMMITMENT REPORT
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Funding Year: 2006

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Funding Request Number: 1385734
Funding Status: Funded
Category of Service: TELCOMM SERVICES
Form 470 Application Number: 390900000543135
SPIN: 143000677
Service Provider Name: Verizon Wireless
Contract Number: MTM
Billing Account Number: N/A
Service Start Date: 07/01/2006
Contract Expiration Date: 06/30/2007
Number of Months Recurring Service Provided in Funding Year: 12
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Recurring Charges: \$2,901.60
Annual Pre-discount Amount for Eligible Non-recurring Charges: \$.00
Pre-discount Amount: \$2,901.60
Discount Percentage Approved by the SLD: 40%
Funding Commitment Decision: \$1,160.64 - ERN approved; modified by SLD
Funding Commitment Decision Explanation: MR1: Frederick County Public Library, BEN
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Revised FCDL Date: 03/13/2009
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