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FCC, Office of the Secretary
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: St. Amelia School
CC Docket No. 02-6
Bill Entity Number: 15273
ERate Application Number 821942
Funding Year 2011 Form 471
Postmarked Outside of Window Letter

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing this letter to Request a Waiver for ERate 2011 school year. I received an "outside of window" letter for Bill Entity Number 15273, ERate Application Number 821942 for my funding year 2011 Form 471. My Form 470 application / certification were submitted online one date late of the application deadline.

I disagree with this decision because of the problems and circumstances endured in filing for funding in the 2011 school year. The filing process is very complex, and precise with detail numbers that reflect St. Amelia School eligibility for reimbursement. With the complexity of filing online, the system allows a certain amount of time to complete the application. I was "timed out" several times and needed to restart the process. The deadline of February 24, 2011 for filing the 470 application had fallen when St. Amelia School was closed for the entire week (president / winter break 2/21/11-2/27/11). The 470 application was filed on Friday, February 25, 2011 one day late. Immediately, realizing the one day missed deadline several calls were made and directions were followed accordingly to ERate representative:

- February 25, 2011 – (case # 22-180660) - Linda states to file 470 one day late and still file 471
- February 28, 2011 – Jolene, 471 needs to be filed on paper after 28 days, out of window letter will be received after the review of the 471, then file of waiver
- August 2, 2011 - (case # 22-255371) Sheri, no out of window letter to date, they will be mailed shortly
- August 25, 2011 – inquired about out of window letter – no letter mailed yet
- September 28, 2011 – out of window letter dated
- October 6, 2011 – (case # 22-275078) Sheri gave instructions to file for wavier
- October 31, 2011 – Letter of Appeal sent to USAC

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- November 14, 2011 – Correspondence from USAC stating the FCC rules do not permit the USAC to consider request for waivers. Recommended electronic filing option to the FCC.
- December 21, 2011 – (case # 22-305758) Donna, unable to help referred me to the FCC.
 - Kevin from the FCC, unable to help referred me to Kesha Woodward.

We ask that you please re-consider your decision and allow us to participate in the ERate Program for the 2011 school year. Without your funding our technology plan will not be able to advance to the next phase.

Thank you for your consideration. If you have any questions please feel free to contact us at your earliest convenience.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "James Mule'". The signature is written in a cursive style and is positioned above the printed name and title.

James Mule'
Principal