

September 17, 2013

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

Re: CC Docket No. 02-6
Petition to Appeal FCC Form 471 funding decision for 471 Application: # 935048

To Whom It May Concern:

The Burlington Township Schools respectfully asks the FCC to consider and grant our Appeal of a Decision regarding the FCC Form 471 funding decision for 471 Application: #935048 being received or postmarked after the deadline for an application to be considered as filed within the window.

Appellant name: Burlington Township Schools
Service Provider Name: Xtel Communications, Inc.
Service Provider SPIN #: 143010147
Form 471 Application #: 935048
Funding Year 2013 FCC Form 471

We submitted the 471 form for Telecommunication Services not realizing there were two vendors that would be providing this service for this funding year. Xtel Communications provides us with a hosted voice over internet protocol (VOIP) phone service. This service includes close to 800 extensions in the classroom/teacher IP format and allows for accessibility to voicemail remotely. Spectrotel provides our school district with alarms, fax lines, and emergency lines in order to have increased communication with parents and redundancy in cases of emergency. We entered the 471 for Spectrotel within the filing window; however, Xtel was inadvertently overlooked during the file process. During our review of our application, the omittance of the Xtel service was noted and we tried to complete it within the extended certification window hoping that it may be taken into consideration for 2013 funding year.

We hope you understand the circumstances and take our appeal into consideration.

Thank you,



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