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STREAMLINED RESOLUTION OF REQUESTS RELATED TO ACTIONS BY THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE ADMINISTRATIVE COMPANY

CC Docket No. 02-6 WC Docket No. 21-93 WC Docket No. 02-60 WC Docket No. 06-122 WC Docket No. 10-90

Pursuant to our procedure for resolving requests for review, requests for waiver, and petitions for reconsideration of decisions related to actions taken by the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that are consistent with precedent (collectively, Requests), the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) grants, dismisses, or denies the following Requests.¹ The deadline for filing petitions for reconsideration or applications for review concerning the disposition of any of these Requests is 30 days from the release date of this Public Notice.²

Schools and Libraries (E-Rate) CC Docket No. 02-6

Dismissed as Moot³

Chabad of Southern Nevada d/b/a Dessert Torah Academy, Maimonides Hebrew Day School, Stanford Eisenberg Knoxville Jewish Day School, Torat Hayim Hebrew Academy d/b/a Tashbar Sephardic Yeshiva Katana, Yeshiva Primary, CA, NV, NY, and TN, Application Nos. 241039113, 241039754, 241039189, 241039762, 241039878, 241039874, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 15, 2025)

¹ See Streamlined Process for Resolving Requests for Review of Decisions by the Universal Service Administrative Company, CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 02-6, WC Docket Nos. 02-60, 06-122, 08-71, 10-90, 11-42, and 14-58, Public Notice, 29 FCC Rcd 11094 (WCB 2014). Sections 54.719(b) and 54.1718(a)(2) of the Commission's rules provide that any person aggrieved by an action taken by a division of USAC, after first seeking review at USAC, may seek review from the Commission. Sections 54.719(c) and 54.1718(a)(3) of the Commission's rules provide that parties seeking waivers of the Commission's rules shall seek review directly from the Commission. In this Public Notice, we have reclassified as Requests for Waiver any appeals seeking review of a USAC decision that appropriately should have requested a waiver of the Commission's rules. Similarly, we have reclassified as Requests for Review any appeals seeking a waiver of the Commission's rules but that are, in fact, seeking review of a USAC decision.

² See 47 CFR §§ 1.106(f), 1.115(d); see also 47 CFR § 1.4(b)(2) (setting forth the method for computing the amount of time within which persons or entities must act in response to deadlines established by the Commission).

³ See, e.g., Requests for Review and/or Requests for Waiver of the Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Al Noor High School et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 27 FCC Rcd 8223 (WCB 2012) (Al Noor High School Order) (dismissing as moot requests for review where USAC has taken the requested action(s)).

Inglewood Public Library, CA, Application No. 251042776, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 19, 2025)

South Whittier Elementary School District, CA, Application Nos. 251042593, 251042551, 251042383, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 19, 2025)

Dismissed to Allow Appeal to be Filed with USAC⁴

Hopewell Valley Regional School District, NJ, Application No. 231018940, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Apr. 28, 2025)

Dismissing Petitions for Reconsideration⁵

Appalachia Intermediate Unit 8, PA, Application Nos. 221017791, 221033878, Petition for Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Apr. 8, 2025)

St. Louis City School District, MO, Application No. 221007901, Petition for Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Apr. 24, 2025)

Granted⁶

Eligible Service Provider⁷

⁴ See Petitions for Reconsideration by Little Falls Township School District et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order on Reconsideration, 38 FCC Rcd 1100, 1104, para. 10 (WCB 2023) (Little Falls Township Order) (dismissing without prejudice appeals that are filed with the Commission before being reviewed at USAC and waiving the 60-day appeal filing deadline to allow the party to refile its appeal at USAC and have it considered on the merits).

Parties seeking review of USAC decisions must first file an appeal with USAC. See 47 CFR § 54.719(a). Because the petitioner filed its appeal with the Commission first, we now provide the school district 60 days from the release date of this Public Notice to refile its appeal at USAC. Pursuant to the Little Falls Township Order, we also waive the 60-day appeal filing deadline, 47 CFR § 54.720(a), to allow the appeals to be considered on the merits by USAC without being considered late. See Little Falls Township Order, 38 FCC Rcd at 1104, para. 10. Appeals for funding year 2016 and forward should be filed in the E-Rate Productivity Center portal, found here: https://forms.universalservice.org/portal. Appeals from funding year 2015 and prior funding years should be filed by email to Appeals@usac.org.

⁵ See, e.g., Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Allan Shivers Library et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 29 FCC Rcd 10356, 10357, para. 2 (WCB 2014) (Allan Shivers Library Order) (dismissing petitions for reconsideration that fail to identify any material error, omission, or reason warranting reconsideration, and rely on arguments that have been fully considered and rejected by the Bureau within the same proceeding).

⁶ We remand these applications to USAC and direct USAC to complete its review of the applications and issue a funding decision based on a complete review and analysis, no later than 90 calendar days from the release date of this Public Notice. In remanding these applications to USAC, we make no finding as to the ultimate eligibility of the equipment/services or the petitioners' applications. We also waive sections 54.507(d) and 54.514(a) of the Commission's rules and direct USAC to waive any procedural deadline that might be necessary to effectuate our ruling. See 47 CFR § 54.507(d) (requiring non-recurring services to be implemented by September 30 following the close of the funding year); 47 CFR § 54.514(a) (codifying the invoice filing deadline rule).

⁷ USAC denied two invoices because it found that the service provider had not filed an updated FCC Form 473 (Service Provider Annual Certification (SPAC) form). Consistent with our obligation to conduct a de novo review of decisions made by USAC, we grant this request for review. *See* 47 CFR § 54.723. Based on the facts and circumstances of this case, we find that the service provider was in good standing with USAC and did submit a valid (continued....)

Teltron Design Group (St. Clairsville Public Library), OH, Application No. 201026227, Request for Review, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Nov. 13, 2023)

Granting Additional Time to Respond to USAC Inquiry⁸

Kedren Community Health Center, CA, Application No. 870358, Request for Review, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 4, 2013)

Shalsheles Bais Yaakov, NY, Application No. 847291, Request for Review, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 10, 2013)

Thorp School District, WI, Application No. 855390, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Dec. 2, 2012)

Granting on Reconsideration – FCC Form 471 Filed More than 30 Days Late Due to Serious Illness⁹

Dumont School District, NJ, Application Nos. 251042927, 251042928, Petition for Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed June 3, 2025)

Late-Filed Appeal or Waiver – Submitted Only a Few Days Late¹⁰

FCC Form 473 (SPAC) during the time period at issue. We therefore grant the request for review. See, e.g., Request for Review of a Decision of the Universal Service Administrator by Grand Rapids Public Schools; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 23 FCC Rcd 15413, 15416, para. 6 (WCB 2008) (Grand Rapids Public Schools Order) (conducting de novo review of the facts and circumstances to determine that USAC's decision was in error).

⁸ See, e.g., Requests for Review of the Decision of the Universal Service Administrator by Alpaugh Unified School District et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 22 FCC Rcd 6035 (2007) (Alpaugh Unified School District Order); Requests for Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Ben Gamla Palm Beach et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 29 FCC Rcd 1876 (WCB 2014) (Ben Gamla Palm Beach Order) (granting petitioners' requests for review that were denied because they failed to respond to USAC's requests for information within the USAC-specified time frame). For Thorp School District, we grant a waiver of the appeal filing deadline consistent with precedent. See, e.g., Requests for Review and/or Requests for Waiver of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Animas School District 6 et al., Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 26 FCC Rcd 16903, 16905, para. 4 (WCB 2011) (Animas School District Order) (granting petitioners waivers of our filing deadline for appeals because their late-filed appeal would not have been necessary absent an error on the part of USAC).

⁹ See, e.g., Petitions for Reconsideration by Callisburg Independent School District; School and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order and Order on Reconsideration, 28 FCC Rcd 9459, 9461, para. 5 (WCB 2013) (Callisburg Independent School District Order) (granting petition for reconsideration where, upon reconsideration of the record, we do not find that the evidence supports our prior decision); Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Archdiocese of San Antonio et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, Establishing Emergency Connectivity Fund to Close the Homework Gap, CC Docket No. 02-6, WC Docket No. 21-93, Order, 37 FCC Rcd 4879, 4882-83, paras. 7-8 (2022) (Archdiocese of San Antonio Order) (granting waiver requests for applications filed more than 30 days after the close of the filing window due to the filer's serious medical conditions).

¹⁰ See, e.g., Requests for Review and/or Waiver of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by ABC Unified School District, et al., CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 26 FCC Rcd 11019, para. 2 (WCB 2011) (ABC Unified School District Order) (waiving the filing deadline for petitioners that submitted their appeals or waiver requests to the Commission or USAC only a few days late). We remand these applications to USAC and direct USAC to complete its review of the applications and issue a funding decision based on a complete review and analysis. See also supra note 6.

Carbondale Community School Consortium, WA, Application No. 241039616, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 19, 2025)

Cattaraugus Wyoming Project Head Start, NY, Application No. 201019448, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Jan. 8, 2025)

Late-Filed Appeal or Waiver – USAC Error¹¹

Clintonville Public School District, WI, Application No. 161003773, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 16, 2025)

Late-Filed FCC Form 471 Applications — Application Filed Late Due to Circumstances Beyond Their Control¹²

De Paul Diocesan High School, NJ, Application No. 251042979, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 13, 2025)

Harlem Academy, NY, Application No. 251043122, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 27, 2025)

Late-Filed FCC Form 471 Applications – Filed More Than 30 Days Late Due to Serious Medical Condition¹³

Butner Independent School District No. I-15, OK, Application No. 251043119, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 23, 2025)

Late-Filed FCC Form 471 Applications – Filed Within 14 Days of the Close of the Window¹⁴

Bronx-Manhattan Seventh-day Adventist School, NY, Application No. 251042796, and Ida Crown Jewish Academy, IL, Application No. 251042417, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 15, 2025)

¹¹ See, e.g., Animas School District Order, 26 FCC Rcd at 16905, para. 4 (granting petitioners waivers of our filing deadline for appeals because their late-filed appeal would not have been necessary absent an error on the part of USAC). We remand this application to USAC and direct USAC to complete its review of the application and issue a funding decision based on a complete review and analysis. See also supra note 6.

¹² See, e.g., Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Abbotsford School District et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 27 FCC Rcd 15299, 15300, para. 2 (WCB 2012) (Abbotsford School District Order) (granting waiver where the applicant filed within a reasonable period after the close of the application filing window despite delays beyond its control).

¹³ See, e.g., Archdiocese of San Antonio Order, 37 FCC Rcd at 4882-83, paras. 7-8 (granting waiver requests for FCC Forms 471 filed more than 30 days after the close of the application filing window due to the filer's serious medical conditions).

¹⁴ See, e.g., Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Academy of Math and Science et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 25 FCC Rcd 9256, 9259, para. 8 (2010) (Academy of Math and Science Order) (finding special circumstances to justify granting waiver requests for petitioners who filed their FCC Forms 471 within 14 days of the application filing window deadline).

Central Community Unit School District 301, IL, Application No. 251042127, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 23, 2025)

Central Community Unit School District 301, IL, Application No. 251042698, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 23, 2025)

Cypress Hills Child Care Corporation, Elite High School, Kinneret Day School, Rabbinical Yeshiva of Cincinnati, Yeshiva Rabbi Samson Raphael Hirsch School, NY, OH, Application Nos. 251042714, 251042232, 251042759, 251042762, 251042735, 251042064, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 15, 2025)

Heart Butte School District 1 a/k/a. Heart Butte K12 Schools, MT, Application No. 251042636, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 22, 2025)

Heart Butte School District 1 a/k/a. Heart Butte K12 Schools, MT, Application No. 251024370, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 22, 2025)

New Mexico Statewide Education Network, NM, Application No. 251018561, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 22, 2025)

Nogales/Santa Cruz County Public Library System, AZ, Application No. 251042055, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 12, 2025)

Ministerial and/or Clerical Error¹⁵

Archbishop Curley-Notre Dame High School, FL, Application No. 754901, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Feb. 23, 2012)

Henry-Stark County Special Education District, IL, Application No. 221008478, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Jan. 31, 2024)

We remand Henry-Stark County Special Education District's and Yeshiva Avir Yakov's appeals to allow the service providers to update their FCC Forms 498 (SPIN) to include their doing business as entity(ies). We remand the Plattsburgh Public Library appeal to USAC to permit the library an opportunity to correct the service provider contact person if appropriate. See, e.g., Request for Waiver and Review of the Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Achieve Career Preparatory Academy et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 26 FCC Rcd 10254, 10255, n.9 & 10 (WCB 2011) (Achieve Career Preparatory Academy Order) (permitting correction when petitioners misidentified their service providers or mischaracterized recurring services as non-recurring services on their FCC Form 471 applications). For Archbishop Curley-Notre Dame High School, we also waive the appeal filing deadline consistent with precedent. See, e.g., Requests for Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Savannah R-III School District; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 23 FCC Rcd 12053, n.30 (WCB 2008) (Savannah R-III School District Order) (finding good cause to waive section 54.720 of the Commission's rules that establishes deadlines for affected parties to seek review of decisions issued by USAC because the issue on appeal before the Commission should have been resolved with USAC before the petitioner resorted to filing an appeal).

¹⁵ See, e.g., Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Ann Arbor Public Schools, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 25 FCC Rcd 17319, 17320, n.5 & 20 (WCB 2010) (Ann Arbor Public Schools Order) (explaining that failure to enter an item from the source list onto the application is a ministerial/clerical error that can be corrected and permitting correction when applicant selected the wrong category of service in its FCC Form 471).

Jasper City School District, AL, Application No. 803891, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 31, 2012)

Plattsburgh Public Library, NY, Application No. 241008296, Request for Review and/or Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Mar. 27, 2025 and June 2, 2025)

Union Independent School District 9, OK, Application No. 241027593, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 15, 2025)

Yeshiva Avir Yakov, NY, Application No. 231033796, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Feb. 3, 2025)

Ministerial and/or Clerical Errors – FCC Form 486¹⁶

Kipp Inspire Academy, MO, Application No. 861448, Request for Review and Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 30, 2013)

Reconsideration of Bureau's Own Decision – Invoice Deadline Extension Request¹⁷

Hopi Jr/Sr High School District, AZ, Application No. 221000458, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Apr. 21, 2025)

Remand Where USAC Reclassified Services as Internal Connections¹⁸

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¹⁶ See, e.g., Request for Review and/or Waiver by Glendale Unified School District; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 21 FCC Rcd 1040 (WCB 2006) (Glendale Unified School District Order); Request for Waiver by Harvey Public Library District; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 23 FCC Rcd 15419 (WCB 2008) (Harvey Public Library District Order). We find the applicant made a ministerial error on its FCC Form 486 and should be permitted to correct the mistake for a service start date of December 31, 2012. Consistent with precedent, we also find good cause exists to waive section 54.720(a) and (b) of the Commission's rules, which requires that petitioners file their appeals within 60 days of a USAC decision or action. See, e.g., Requests for Review and/or Waiver of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Barrow County School District; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 26 FCC Rcd 4028, 4029, para. 2 (WCB 2011) (Barrow County Order) (granting waiver requests when the applicants made a clerical error on their FCC Forms 486 and waiving the appeal filing deadline for petitioners that filed within a reasonable period of time after receiving actual notice of the mistake).

¹⁷ The Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) denied Hopi Jr/Sr High School District's request for waiver in the June 2025 USF Streamlined Public Notice. *See Streamlined Resolution of Requests Related to Actions by the Universal Service Administrative Company*, CC Docket No. 02-6, WC Docket Nos. 02-60, 24-686, 24-134, 10-90, 06-122, Public Notice, DA 25-433 (WCB rel. June 2, 2025) (*June 2025 USF Streamlined Public Notice*). On our own motion, we now reconsider the Bureau's denial. *See* 47 CFR § 1.113(a) (allowing a bureau to set aside or modify its own actions within 30 days). We reverse our decision to deny this waiver request and revert its status to "pending" until further guidance is provided by the Commission. *See Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, *et al.*, CC Docket Nos. 02-6, et al., Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 38 FCC Rcd 6842, 6877, para. 72 (2023) (2023 E-Rate Report and Order) (directing the Bureau to leave pending waiver requests related to applicants or service providers that were filed within 15 days of the original invoice filing deadline).

¹⁸ See, e.g., Requests for Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Adams County Public Library, et al., Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 23 FCC Rcd 15486 (WCB 2008) (Adams County Public Library Order) (remanding applications where USAC reclassified the services from Priority One services (Internet access or wide area networks leases) to Priority Two services (internal connections) for further review to determine whether the requested services were eligible). Here, the

Screven County School District, GA, Application No. 358859, Request for Review, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Apr. 28, 2004)

USAC Decision Issued After Invoice Filing Deadline¹⁹

Lafourche Parish School District, LA, Application No. 1002647, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Mar. 27, 2018)

Partially Granted

Non-Instructional Facility²⁰

Alaska Gateway School District, Hydaburg City School District, Iditarod Area School District, Lower Kuskokwim School District, Saint Mary's School District, Yukon Flats School District, and Yukon-Koyukuk School District, AK, No Application Numbers, Request for Declaratory Ruling or Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Dec. 13, 2024)

Denied

Category of Service²¹

Team Academy, MN, Application No. 790849, Request for Review, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Jan. 24, 2013)

Discount Calculation²²

funding request was denied based on eligibility of the on-premises equipment, but it does not appear that the applicant requested funding for such equipment. We remand the request to USAC for further review.

¹⁹ 47 CFR § 54.514(a)(3); see also Modernizing the E-Rate Program for Schools and Libraries, WC Docket No. 13-184, Order, 35 FCC Rcd 14426, 14431, para. 15 (2020) (2020 Invoicing Rule Modification Order) (authorizing the Bureau to grant a waiver in instances where a program participant was unable to timely submit an invoice because they were awaiting a post-commitment decision from USAC, or received a decision approving a post-commitment request or granting an appeal of a previously denied or reduced funding request after the invoice filing deadline had passed).

²⁰ See School and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism; Request for Clarification and Waiver by Lower Yukon School District, CC Docket No. 02-6, Declaratory Ruling, 39 FCC Rcd 9702 (WCB 2024) (finding that oncampus housing provided for teachers in remote Alaska is a non-instructional facility eligible for category one and category two E-Rate support, where it serves a unique population with an extremely harsh climate). Consistent with this precedent, we find the on-campus teacher housing in these school districts are eligible non-instructional facilities. However, we deny the request to categorize any housing that the school district owns or rents to provide housing to its teachers and limit this finding to on-campus teacher housing located on the school campus that can be connected to the school network with a one-time installation cost and necessary internal connections.

²¹ See, e.g., Request for Review of the Decision of the Universal Service Administrator by Des Moines Municipal School District No.22; et al., CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 97-21 and 02-6, Order, 18 FCC Rcd 23926, 23927-28, para. 4 (WCB 2003) (Des Moines Municipal School District Order) (concluding that USAC made the correct decision to reclassify a component requested as priority one telecommunications service category to the priority two service category). Because the applicant's discount rate did not meet the priority two funding threshold in that funding year, USAC's denial decisions were correct and we affirm the decisions.

²² See Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Enterprise City Schools et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 27 FCC Rcd 2372, para. 1 (WCB 2012) (Enterprise City Schools Order) (finding that the applicants did not provide

The Help Group, CA, Application Nos. 241024579, 241038018, 241029985, Request for Review, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 5, 2025)

Duplicative Services²³

Kings Canyon Unified School District, CA, Application No. 779775, Request for Review, CC Docket 06-2 (filed Dec. 27, 2017)

FCC Form 470 Waiver Denial²⁴

Skaggs Catholic Center, UT, No Application Filed, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 23, 2025)

Ineligible Services²⁵

sufficient documentation to support their requested discount rate). With respect to petitioner's category two FCC Form 471 No. 241029985, we grant and direct USAC to provide the applicant additional time to respond to USAC's request for information. *See also supra* note 6.

We clarify that recovery in this instance should be directed to Sun Wireless. See, e.g., Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, Changes to the Board of Directors for the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc., Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 97-21, 02-6, Order on Reconsideration and Fourth Report and Order, 19 FCC Rcd 15252, 15257, para.15 (2004) (Fourth Report and Order) (directing recovery of funds disbursed in violation of the statute or a rule from the party who was in a better position to prevent the statutory or rule violation, and/or from the party that committed the act or omission that forms the basis for the statutory or rule violation). Here we find Sun Wireless submitted an FCC Form 474 (service provider invoice (SPI)) requesting reimbursement for 12 months of service when it did not start providing services until December 2011 and was only entitled for reimbursement for seven months of service (i.e., December 2011 through June 2012). However, it received disbursement from USAC for the full 12 months of service (i.e., July 1, 2011 through June 30, 2012).

²³ Requests for Review by Macomb Intermediate School District Technology Consortium, Schools and Libraries Universal Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 22 FCC Rcd 8771 (2007) (Macomb Intermediate School District Technology Consortium Order) (denying a request for review of the denial of support for redundant networks); Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, A National Broadband Plan for our Future, CC Docket No. 02-6, GN Docket No. 09-51, Sixth Report and Order, 25 FCC Rcd 18762, 18853 (2010) (E-Rate Sixth Report and Order) (noting that duplicative services are not eligible for support).

²⁴ Skaggs Catholic Center did not timely file a FY 2025 FCC Form 471 application and instead requested a waiver to allow additional time to file an FCC Form 470. Because there is no deadline for the FCC Form 470, we deny the petitioner's request for a deadline waiver of an FCC Form 470 that was not filed with enough time to allow for the 28-day competitive bidding period to run before timely filing the FCC Form 471. *See*, *e.g.*, *Request for Waiver by Cotton Center ISD*; *Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service*, *Changes to the Board of Directors of the National Exchange Carrier Association*, *Inc.*, CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 97-21, Order, 17 FCC Rcd 643, 645, n.14 (CCB 2002) (*Cotton Center ISD Order*) (noting that "The FCC Form 470 merely initiates the process of requesting bids, and unlike the FCC Form 471 application, is not subject to a specified filing period and firm deadline.").

²⁵ See, e.g., Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by AllWays, Inc. (Prairie Hills School District 144); Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 27 FCC Rcd 1968, 1968-69, para. 1 (WCB 2012) (AllWays Order) (upholding denials of funding requests for services that are ineligible for E-Rate support). To the extent Oswego Unified School District 504 seeks a waiver of recovery, we deny it as inconsistent with our recovery obligations. See Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Fifth Report and Order and Order, 19 FCC Rcd 15808 (2004) (Schools and Libraries Fifth Report and Order) (providing background and setting framework for when to recover if funds have been disbursed in violation of program rules).

Ezra Hatzvy School, NY, Application No. 825494, Request for Review, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed June 14, 2013)

Mosdos Bnos Frima, NY, Application No. 825484, Request for Review, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed June 4, 2013)

Oswego Unified School District 504, KS, Application Nos. 554715, 602097, 672332, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Apr. 13, 2011)

Late-Filed FCC Form 471 Applications²⁶

All Saints Catholic School, NE, Application No. 251043088, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 16, 2025)

Blaine School District No. 503, WA, Application No. 251043118, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 22, 2025)

Case Memorial Library, CT, Application No. 251043081, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 21, 2025)

Christ Lutheran School, NE, Application Nos. 251043006, 251043082, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 14, 2025)

Fort Dodge Community School District, IA, Application No. 251043106, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 21, 2025)

Hampton Bays Union Free School District, NY, Application No. 251043138, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 28, 2025)

Holy Name School, NE, Application No. 251043089, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 16, 2025)

Hot Springs Elementary School District, CA, Application No. 251041950, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 14, 2025)

Indianola Community School District, IA, Application Nos. 251043135, 251043136, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 28, 2025)

Miller Creek Elementary School District, CA, Application No. 251043101, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 19, 2025)

Newkirk Independent School District 125, OK, Application No. 251042935, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 23, 2025)

In addition to submitting its FCC Form 471 application late, Christ Lutheran School filed its waiver request after the 60-day appeal or waiver request deadline. *See* 47 CFR § 54.720 (requiring petitioners to file their appeal or waiver requests within 60 days of the date of an adverse USAC decision). Christ Lutheran School also did not demonstrate good cause to waive the appeal/waiver filing deadline pursuant to section 54.720 of the Commission's rules.

²⁶ See, e.g., Academy of Math and Science Order, 25 FCC Rcd at 9261-62, para. 13 (denying waivers of the FCC Form 471 application filing window deadline where petitioners failed to present special circumstances justifying a waiver of the Commission's rules).

Penn Cambria School District, PA, Application No. 251043130, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 27, 2025)

Pflugerville Independent School District, TX, Application No. 251042843, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 23, 2025)

Primghar Public Library, IA, Application No. 251043097, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 16, 2025)

Rhema Word Christian Academy, FL, Application Nos. 251043012, 251041979, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 27, 2025)

Sacred Heart School, TX, Application No. 251043045, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 14, 2025)

Six Directions Indigenous School, NM, Application No. 251043096, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 16, 2025)

St. Andrew's Episcopal Academy, FL, No Application Filed, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 12, 2025)

St. Cloud Area School District 742, MN, Application No. 251043120, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 22, 2025)

St. John's Country Day School, FL, Application No. 251041914, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 27, 2025)

St. Joseph Elementary School, MN, Application No. 251032390, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 16, 2025)

Terrebonne Parish School District, LA, Application No. 251043063, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 9, 2025)

Late-Filed Invoice or Invoice Deadline Extension²⁷

Holy Family Academy, MA, Application No. 231035506, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Mar. 28, 2025)

K&M Communications (Fall River Deaconess Home School), MA, Application No. 231007885, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Mar. 26, 2025)

Nortech Downtown, LLC (Iberville Parish School District), LA, Application No. 211021493, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed June 2, 2025)

²⁷ See, e.g., Requests for Waiver of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Ada School District, et al., Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 31 FCC Rcd 3834, 3836, para. 7 (WCB 2016) (Ada School District Order) (denying waiver requests for invoice filing deadline extensions from petitioners who failed to seek an extension before the invoice filing deadline and did not demonstrate extraordinary circumstances to justify waiving the Commission's rules).

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San Jacinto Christian Academy, TX, Application No. 241012655, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Feb. 3, 2025)

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ComSource, Inc. (Madison-Oneida BOCES), NY, Application No. 231033268, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed June 2, 2025)

GigaKom (Washington Unified School District), CA, Application No. 231014372, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 30, 2025)

Northeast Metropolitan Regional Vocational School, MA, Application No. 221027309, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed June 6, 2025)

United Talmudical Academy Mosdos Satmar, NY, Application Nos. 889907, 1016326, 1016327, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed June 1, 2021)

Valley Charter School, CA, Application Nos. 231038736, 231038734, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 19, 2025)

Emergency Connectivity Fund Program WC Docket No. 21-93

Denied

We also note that USAC denied funding for FCC Form 471 Application No. 241012655 because San Jacinto failed to provide a bid to USAC submitted by FiberFed in response to FCC Form 470 No. 230000327. We do not reach a determination as to whether San Jacinto ever saw or considered FiberFed's bid because we are denying on other competitive bidding grounds.

²⁸ We find that San Jacinto Christian Academy selected a service with a higher Internet speed than was requested on its FCC Form 470, compromising the competitive bidding process by not allowing others to bid on that service. Thus, we concur with USAC as to denial for this reason. See, e.g., Request for Review of a Decision of the Universal Service Administrator by Albert Lea Area Schools et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 24 FCC Rcd 4533, 4541-42, paras. 14-15 (WCB 2009) (Albert Lea Area Schools Order) (finding that petitioners violated the Commission's competitive bidding rules by not including the type of service on the FCC Form 470 the applicant requested on its FCC Form 471); Petition for Reconsideration by Chicago Public Schools; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 29 FCC Rcd 9289-90, paras 5, 7, 8, (WCB 2014) (Chicago Public Schools Order) (denying appeals of applicants that filed FCC Forms 470 that did not include the types of services for which the applicants later requested E-Rate funding and finding that petitioner did not demonstrate the existence of special circumstances to warrant a waiver of the Commission's competitive bidding requirements).

²⁹ See, e.g., Requests for Review of the Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Agra Public Schools I-134; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 25 FCC Rcd 5684, 5688, para. 6 (WCB 2010) (Agra Public Schools Order); Requests for Waiver or Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Bound Brook School District; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 29 FCC Rcd 5823, 5823, para. 1 (WCB 2014) (Bound Brook School District Order) (denying requests for review and/or waiver on the grounds that the petitioners failed to: (1) submit their appeals either to the Commission or to USAC within 60 days or failed to submit their waiver requests to the Commission within 60 days as required by the Commission's rules; and (2) did not demonstrate special circumstances required to waive the rule).

Request for Extension of Service Delivery Date Beyond COVID-19 Emergency Period Expiration³⁰

New Castle Public Library, PA, Application No. ECF202209141, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 21-93 (filed Apr. 3, 2025)

Rural Health Care Program

WC Docket No. 02-60

Granted

Late-Filed FCC Form 462 Applications – Filed Within 14 Days of the Close of the Application Filing Window³¹

Adventist Health, CA, Request for Waiver, WC Docket 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250015943 (filed June 4, 2025)

Augusta Health Care, Inc., VA, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250015601 (filed June 4, 2025)

Colorado Hospital Association Broadband Services, CO, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20250015972, RHC20250010637 (filed June 9, 2025)

Deckerville Community Hospital Consortium, MI, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250015974 (filed June 15, 2025)

Lake District Hospital, OR, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250015947 (filed June 5, 2025)

LMAS, MI, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20250015962, RHC20250015963, RHC20250015964, RHC20250015965 (filed June 11, 2025)

Waiver of Invoice Filing Deadline – Petitioner Timely Completed FCC Form 46332

⁰ See Establishing Emergency

³⁰ See Establishing Emergency Connectivity Fund to Close the Homework Gap, WC Docket No. 21-93, Order, 38 FCC Rcd 4274, 4277, para. 9 & n.25 (WCB 2023) (extending the service delivery date so that applicants would have time to purchase equipment for up to 12 months after receiving a funding commitment decision letter or revised funding commitment, but not to extend beyond the program's sunset date of June 30, 2024 and explaining that June 30, 2024 is a statutorily set expiration of the COVID-19 emergency period that the Commission cannot waive or extend to provide additional time to purchase eligible equipment and/or services). See also H.R. 1319, tit. VII, § 7402(d)(5)(B); Wireline Competition Bureau and Office of the Managing Director Provide Guidance on Emergency Connectivity Fund Program Upon Termination of the Emergency Period, WC Docket No. 21-93, Public Notice, 38 FCC Rcd 4282, 4284 (WCB 2023) (Termination of the Emergency Period Public Notice).

³¹ See Requests for Waiver by Bartlett Regional Hospital et al., WC Docket No. 02-60, Order, DA 24-366, at 4 (WCB Apr. 18, 2024) (granting waiver requests when applications were filed within 14 days of the deadline and administration of the RHC Program was minimally affected). We find that waivers are justified because the petitioners submitted their filings within 14 days of the close of the application filing window.

³² See Requests for Waiver by University of Virginia Health System Center for Telehealth and Lumos Networks, Inc., Rural Health Care Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-60, Order, 38 FCC Rcd 1041, 1042-43, paras. 3-5 (WCB 2023) (UVA-Lumos) (granting waiver of invoice deadline where petitioner "submitted its portion of the FCC Form 463 in time to permit . . . [the service provider] to complete the form prior to the invoice filing deadline," but which the service provider failed to do). Hocking Valley Community Hospital missed its (continued....)

Chesapeake Regional Healthcare, VA, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. 21121931 (filed Oct. 31, 2022)

Hocking Valley Community Hospital, OH, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. 20734441 (filed May 11, 2022)

Granted in Part and Remanded in Part

Timeliness of Appeal of USAC Audit³³

Oregon Health Network, OR, Request for Review, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. 46989, 42811, 43819 46776, 48613 (filed Jan. 25, 2021)

Denied

Late Filed FCC Form 462 – No Special Circumstances³⁴

Osage Ambulance District, MO, Request for Waiver of Application Filing Deadline, WC Docket No. 02-60, No Funding Request Number (filed July 13, 2021)

Quality of Life Health Services, Inc. – Cherokee Quality Health Care, AL, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, No Funding Request Number (filed July 18, 2022)

invoicing deadline due to the "service provider['s] refusal to approve the Form 463." Chesapeake Regional Healthcare missed its invoicing deadline because its service provider did not receive and process the Form 463 due to a previously unknown SPIN change. We waive the petitioners' invoice filing deadlines and allow them 60 days from the release date of this Public Notice to file invoices with USAC.

³³ 47 C.F.R. § 54.720(b). We grant the appeal in part on the basis that Oregon Health Network's (OHN) appeal to USAC on January 7, 2019, was timely filed, and remand to USAC the question regarding the merits of OHN's appeal of Audit Finding 1. USAC issued an audit report on July 5, 2018. Several months later, in November 2018, USAC sent letters to OHN and its service providers stating that it would seek recovery if it did not receive documentation showing that OHN's service providers had paid their "fair share" for the "excess capacity" on the OHN networks. OHN filed an appeal within 60 days of the issuance of the notification letters. USAC denied OHN's appeal of the notification letters as untimely. The issuance of the November 5, 2018, notification letters was appealable under section 54.720(b), and OHN's appeal was timely filed. We recognize the unusual circumstances here where there was a gap of several months between the release of the July 5, 2018, audit report and the issuance of the November 5, 2018, notification letters. Therefore, we grant in part OHN's appeal requesting reversal of USAC's decision on the timeliness of OHN's appeal, and remand the matter to USAC for further evaluation of the substance of OHN's appeal regarding audit Finding 1.

³⁴ Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Academy of Math and Science, et al., Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 25 FCC Rcd 9256, 9261-62 (2010) (denying application filing deadline waiver requests filed more than 14 days after the filing deadline and without special circumstances justifying a waiver of the filing deadline); see also Request for Waiver by Bartlett Regional Hospital, et al., Rural Health Care Support Mechanism, WC Docket No. 02-60, Order, DA 24-366, 39 FCC Rcd 3931, 3935, para. 9 (WCB 2024) (adopting Academy of Math and Science standard in denying RHC Program application filing deadline waiver requests). Osage Ambulance District filed its waiver request more than 14 days after the application filing deadline and does not offer any special circumstances supporting its request. Quality of Life Health Services offers no special circumstances supporting its request other than that it was unaware of the June 1, 2022, deadline for filing FCC Form 462.

Waiver of Information Request Deadline³⁵

Edgerton Hospital and Health Services, WI, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. 1834081 (Dec. 16, 2019)

Contribution Methodology

WC Docket No. 06-122

Denied

Petition for Waiver of Form 499-A Late Filing Fees ³⁶ \square
Rapid Systems Corporation, Petition for Waiver, WC Docket No. 06-122 (filed May 15, 2025) \Box \Box
Petition for Waiver of Form 499-Q Revision Deadline ³⁷ \square
Adirondack Techs, LLC, Petition for Waiver, WC Docket No. 06-122 (filed May 2, 2025)
Adirondack Techs, LLC, Petition for Waiver, WC Docket No. 06-122 (filed May 12, 2025)
Dismissed without Prejudice
Request for Expungement of Debt $^{38}\square$
Telekomunikasi Indonesia International (USA), Inc., Petition for Waiver, WC Docket No. 06-123 (filed May $8,2025$) \square

³⁵ Rural Health Care Support Mechanism, WC Docket No. 0260, Order, 30 FCC Rcd 230, 231-32, para. 3 (WCB 2015) ("if applicants do not provide timely responses to USAC requests for omitted or adequate supporting documentation, USAC shall deny the associated funding request.")

³⁶ See, e.g., Universal Service Contribution Methodology; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Requests for Review of Decisions of Universal Service Administrator by Airband Communications, Inc. et al., WC Docket No. 06-122, CC Docket No. 96-45, Order, 25 FCC Rcd 10861 (WCB 2010) (denying deadline waivers where claims of good cause amount to no more than simple negligence, errors by the petitioner, or circumstances squarely within the petitioner's control); Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Request for Review by National Network Communications, Inc., CC Docket No. 96-45, Order, 22 FCC Rcd 6783 (WCB 2007) (good cause not shown when filer claimed it did not have skilled personnel to interpret and correctly apply FCC Form 499 instructions). To the extent Rapid Systems' financial situation makes it difficult to pay the invoice in full, it may set up a payment plan with USAC to satisfy the obligation. See https://www.usac.org/service-providers/making-payments/how-to-pay/payment-plans/.

³⁷ *Id.* To the extent Adirondack's financial situation makes it difficult to pay the invoice in full, it may set up a payment plan with USAC to satisfy the obligation. *See https://www.usac.org/service-providers/making-payments/how-to-pay/payment-plans/*.

³⁸ 47 CFR § 54.721. See, e.g., Universal Service Contribution Methodology, Request for Review of Decision of Universal Service Administrator and Request for Waiver by CML Communications LLC, WC Docket No. 06-122, Order, 26 FCC Rcd 335 (WCB 2011); Universal Service Contribution Methodology, Request for Review of Decision of Universal Service Administrator and Request for Waiver by Alternative Phone, Inc., WC Docket No. 06-122, Order, 26 FCC Rcd 6079 (WCB 2011); Universal Service Contribution Methodology, Request for Review of Decision of Universal Service Administrator by Dorial Telecom LLC, WC Docket No. 06-122, Order, 26 FCC Rcd 3799 (WCB 2011) (all finding requests procedurally defective for failure to comply with 47 C.F.R. § 54.721).

High-Cost Program (Connect America Fund) WC Docket No. 10-90

Granted

High Cost Performance Measures Module (PMM) Certification Reporting³⁹

Hughes Network Systems, LLC Petition for Waiver, WC Docket No. 10-90 (filed Apr. 22, 2025)

Granted in part

High Cost Performance Measures Module (PMM) Certification Reporting⁴⁰

Northern Arapaho Tribal Industries, Inc. d/b/a Wind River Internet Request for Waiver and Expedited Treatment, WC Docket No. 10-90 (filed May 30, 2025).

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³⁹ Hughes Network Systems, LLC timely uploaded its 2023 testing data into the Performance Measures Module, but did not timely certify the testing data as required by 47 CFR §54.313(j) (2024). *See Connect America Fund, et al.*, WC Docket Nos. 10-90 et al., Order, 36 FCC Rcd 13976, paras. 9-10 (WCB 2021) (NNTC Certification Waiver Order) (granting waiver to allow the carrier to report locations after the deadline for the reporting year when locations were timely uploaded to the High-Cost Universal Broadband (HUBB) portal but due to an inadvertent administrative oversight were not timely certified); *see also Streamlined Resolution of Requests Related to Actions by the Universal Service Administrative Company*, CC Docket No. 02-6, WC Docket Nos. 21-93, 10-90, 02-60 and 06-122, Public Notice, DA 23-333, n.38 (WCB Apr. 28, 2023) (granting waiver to allow the carrier to certify meeting its milestone obligation after the deadline for the reporting year when locations were timely uploaded and certified to the HUBB portal but due to an inadvertent administrative oversight, the milestone obligation was not timely certified).

⁴⁰ Northern Arapaho Tribal Industries, Inc. d/b/a Wind River (NATI) did not timely upload or certify its 2023 testing data as required by Commission Rule 47 CFR §54.313(j)(2024). NATI is considered certified as of the date it clearly communicated to USAC regarding data or system issues affecting its PMM testing. *See Connect America Fund*, WC Docket 10-90, Order, DA 25-414, paras. 7-9 (WCB May 14, 2025) (designating the date the carrier first had clear and documentable communication with USAC regarding its 2023 data upload/certification as the certification date for purposes of 47 CFR §54.313(j)(2024). This waiver only pertains to NATI's 2023 network testing data that was due July 1, 2024. The HUBB waiver requests included by NATI in its petition remain pending.