

Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of
Request for Review of
Decisions of the
Universal Service Administrator by
Altoona Area School District
Altoona, Pennsylvania
Ralls Independent School District
Ralls, Texas
Federal-State Joint Board on
Universal Service
Changes to the Board of Directors of the
National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc.

File No. SLD-112466
CC Docket No. 96-45
CC Docket No. 97-21

ORDER

Adopted: May 5, 2000 Released: May 9, 2000

By the Common Carrier Bureau:

1. The Common Carrier Bureau (Bureau) has under consideration the above-captioned requests for review of decisions issued by the Schools and Libraries Division of the Universal Service Administrative Company (Administrator). These requests seek review of the Administrator's denial of applications for discounted services under the universal service support mechanism for schools and libraries.

2. The Commission's rules provide that the Bureau must issue a decision resolving a request for review of matters properly before it within ninety days. The Bureau may, however, extend the time period for considering the request for review for a period of up to ninety days.

1 Letter from Dean G. Wilt, Altoona Area School District, to Federal Communications Commission, filed February 2, 2000; and Letter from Holly Lee and Dagobert Azam, RALLS Independent School District, to Federal Communications Commission, filed February 12, 2000.

2 Section 54.719(c) of the Commission's rules provides that any person aggrieved by an action taken by a division of the Administrator may seek review from the Commission. 47 C.F.R. § 54.719(c).

3 47 C.F.R. § 54.724(a).

4 47 C.F.R §§ 54.722(a); 54.724(a).

The Bureau requires additional time to review the issues presented. Accordingly, we extend by sixty days the deadline by which the Bureau must take action regarding the above-captioned requests for review of decisions by the Schools and Libraries Division.

3. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to section 54.724(a) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 54.724(a), that the time period for taking action in the above-captioned requests for review of decisions by the Schools and Libraries Division IS EXTENDED BY sixty days from the original ninety-day deadline, to July 6, 2000, for the request for review filed by Altoona Area School District, and to July 10, 2000, for the request for review filed by Ralls Independent School District.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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