

**Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Montana, DC 20554**

In the Matter of)	
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Request for Review of the)	
Decision of the)	
Universal Service Administrator by)	
)	
Marion School District 54)	File No. SLD- 161409
Marion, Montana)	
)	
Federal-State Joint Board on)	CC Docket No. 96-45
Universal Service)	
)	
Changes to the Board of Directors of the)	CC Docket No. 97-21
National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc.)	

ORDER

Adopted: October 6, 2000

Released: October 10, 2000

By the Accounting Policy Division, Common Carrier Bureau:

1. This Order dismisses the Letter of Appeal filed by Marion School District 54 (Marion County), Marion, Montana, seeking review of a decision issued by the Universal Service Administrative Company's Schools and Libraries Division on April 14, 2000.¹ The Commission received Marion County's Letter of Appeal on September 18, 2000.² Under section 54.720 of the Commission's rules, any such appeal must be filed within 30 days of the issuance of the decision as to which review is sought.³ Documents are considered to be filed with the Commission only upon receipt.⁴ Because the instant Letter of Appeal was not filed within the specified 30-day period, it will be dismissed without further consideration.

¹ See Letter from the Schools and Libraries Division, Universal Service Administrative Co., to Ron Osborne, Marion School District 54, dated April 14, 2000.

² Letter from Ron Osborne, to Federal Communications Commission, filed September 18, 2000 (Letter of Appeal).

³ 47 C.F.R. § 54.720.

⁴ 47 C.F.R. § 1.7.

2. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to authority delegated under sections 0.91, 0.291, and 54.722(a) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91, 0.291, and 54.722(a), that the Letter of Appeal filed September 18, 2000, by Marion School District 54, Marion, Montana, IS DISMISSED.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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