

Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of)	
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Request for Review of the)	
Decision of the)	
Universal Service Administrator by)	
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Northeast Educational Services Cooperative)	File No. SLD-144429
Hayti, South Dakota)	
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Federal-State Joint Board on)	CC Docket No. 96-45
Universal Service)	
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Changes to the Board of Directors of the)	CC Docket No. 97-21
National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc.)	

ORDER ON RECONSIDERATION

Adopted: December 11, 2000

Released: December 12, 2000

By the Accounting Policy Division, Common Carrier Bureau:

1. We reconsider on our own motion, pursuant to sections 0.291 and 1.108 of the Commission's rules,¹ our November 13, 2000 decision dismissing a Letter of Appeal filed by Northeast Educational Services Cooperative (NESC), Hayti, South Dakota, as untimely.² In that Order, we found that NESC requested review of a funding commitment decision issued by the Schools and Libraries Division of the Universal Service Administrative Company (Administrator) more than thirty days after the issuance of a decision by the Administrator.³ We have, however, subsequently learned that NESC's request for review was, in fact, timely filed. We therefore reconsider and vacate our Order dismissing NESC's Letter of Appeal as untimely, and continue to review NESC's Letter of Appeal in accordance with the Commission's rules.

¹ 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.291, 1.108. The Commission may, on its own motion, reconsider any action taken by it within 30 days from the date of public notice of such action. 47 C.F.R. § 1.108.

² *Request for Review by Northeast Educational Services Cooperative*, CC Dockets Nos. 96-45 and 97-21, Order, DA 00-2555 (rel. November 13, 2000).

³ A request for review of an Administrator's decision must be filed within thirty days of the date of the issuance of the decision. 47 C.F.R. § 54.720(a).

2. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED that, pursuant to sections 0.291 and 1.108 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.291, 1.108, we hereby reconsider and vacate, on our own motion, our November 13, 2000 decision to dismiss the Letter of Appeal filed by Northeast Educational Services Cooperative, Hayti, South Dakota as untimely.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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