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**COMMON CARRIER BUREAU ANNOUNCES RELEASE OF NEW FORM 479 AND
REVISED FORM 486 AND ACCOMPANYING INSTRUCTIONS, FOR THE SCHOOLS
AND LIBRARIES UNIVERSAL SERVICE SUPPORT MECHANISM,
INCORPORATING CERTIFICATIONS REQUIRED PURSUANT TO THE
CHILDREN'S INTERNET PROTECTION ACT**

CC Docket No. 96-45

The Common Carrier Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission announces the release of two newly-adopted FCC forms and instructions for the schools and libraries universal service support mechanism, incorporating the requirements of the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) (Pub. L. 106-554). That act provides that schools and libraries that have computers with Internet access must certify that they have in place certain Internet safety policies and technology protection measures in order to be eligible under section 254(h) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, to receive discounted Internet access or internal connection services.

The FCC Form 486 Receipt of Service Confirmation Form, which has been modified to include certifications required by CIPA, is used by the Billed Entity that filed an FCC Form 471 requesting discounts under the program. The Form 486 informs the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company when the Billed Entity and/or the eligible entities that it represents is receiving, is scheduled to receive, or has received service in the relevant Funding Year from the named Service Provider(s). Receipt by SLD of a properly completed Form 486 triggers the process for SLD to receive invoices.

FCC Form 479, the Certification by Administrative Authority to Billed Entity of Compliance with the Children's Internet Protection Act, is a new form that an Administrative Authority uses to report its status of compliance with the requirements of CIPA to the Billed Entity. The Billed Entity then certifies on its FCC Form 486 that it has collected duly completed and signed Forms 479 from Administrative Authorities that the Billed Entity represents.

These forms are designed in accordance with the rules that the Commission adopted in *Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, Children's Internet Protection Act*, CC Docket No. 96-45, Report and Order, FCC 01-120 (rel. Apr. 5, 2001), corrected at 66 FR 22133 (May 3, 2001). As stated in the Order, those rules became effective on April 20, 2001. The information

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collections contained in the rules were approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) on July 2, 2001, OMB No. 3060-0853.

The forms and instructions may be obtained at the SLD website, <http://www.sl.universalservice.org/>, or by contacting the SLD Client Service Bureau at (888) 203-8100. For further information, contact Narda Jones, Attorney, or Jon Secrest, Attorney, Accounting Policy Division, Common Carrier Bureau at (202) 418-7400; TTY (202) 418-0484.