

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

In the Matter of	)	
	)	
Request for Review of the	)	
Decision of the	)	
Universal Service Administrator by	)	
	)	
Hawthorn School District 73	)	File No. SLD- 171260
Hawthorn, Illinois	)	
	)	
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: February 8, 2001**

**Released: February 9, 2001**

By the Accounting Policy Division, Common Carrier Bureau:

1. This Order dismisses the Requests for Review filed by Hawthorn School District 73 (Hawthorn), Vernon Hills, Illinois, seeking review of a decision issued by the Universal Service Administrative Company's Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) on April 14, 2000.<sup>1</sup> The Commission received Hawthorn's Request for Review on November 17, 2000 and December 4, 2000.<sup>2</sup> 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.<sup>3</sup> Documents are considered to be filed with the Commission or SLD only upon receipt.<sup>4</sup> Because Hawthorn failed to timely appeal the April 14, 2000 decision to either the Commission or SLD, the Requests for Review will be dismissed without further consideration.

<sup>1</sup> See Letter from the Schools and Libraries Division, Universal Service Administrative Co., to Robert Hudson, Hawthorn School District 73, dated April 14, 2000.

<sup>2</sup> Letter from Robert S. Hudson, to Federal Communications Commission, filed November 17, 2000; Letter from Robert S. Hudson, to Federal Communications Commission, filed December 4, 2000 (Requests for Review). On November 17, 2000, Hawthorn filed simultaneous appeals with the Commission and SLD. See Letter from Robert S. Hudson, to Schools and Libraries Division, Universal Service Administrative Company, dated November 17, 2000. SLD denied Hawthorn's appeal as untimely. See Letter from Schools and Libraries Division, Universal Service Administrative Company, to Robert S. Hudson, Hawthorn School District 73, dated November 28, 2000. On December 4, 2000, Hawthorn filed a second request for review with the Commission, reiterating arguments made in its November 28, 2000 Request for Review.

<sup>3</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 54.720.

<sup>4</sup> 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 Requests for Review filed November 17, 2000, and December 4, 2000, by Hawthorn School District 73 District, Hawthorn, Illinois, ARE DISMISSED.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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