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## **STREAMLINED RESOLUTION OF REQUESTS RELATED TO ACTIONS BY THE UNIVERSAL SERVICE ADMINISTRATIVE COMPANY**

**CC Docket No. 02-6**  
**WC Docket No. 23-234**  
**WC Docket No. 02-60**  
**WC Docket No. 06-122**

Pursuant to our procedure for resolving requests for review, requests for waiver, and petitions for reconsideration of decisions related to actions taken by the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) that are consistent with precedent (collectively, Requests), the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) grants, dismisses, or denies the following Requests.<sup>1</sup> The deadline for filing petitions for reconsideration or applications for review concerning the disposition of any of these Requests is 30 days from the release date of this Public Notice.<sup>2</sup>

### **Schools and Libraries (E-Rate)**

**CC Docket No. 02-6**

#### **Dismissed as Moot**<sup>3</sup>

Esmeralda County School District, NV, Application No. 201032563, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Apr. 3, 2025)

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<sup>1</sup> See *Streamlined Process for Resolving Requests for Review of Decisions by the Universal Service Administrative Company*, CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 02-6, WC Docket Nos. 02-60, 06-122, 08-71, 10-90, 11-42, and 14-58, Public Notice, 29 FCC Rcd 11094 (WCB 2014). Sections 54.719(b) and 54.2012(a)(2) of the Commission's rules provide that any person aggrieved by an action taken by a division of USAC, after first seeking review at USAC, may seek review from the Commission. Sections 54.719(c) and 54.2012(a)(3) of the Commission's rules provide that parties seeking waivers of the Commission's rules shall seek review directly from the Commission. In this Public Notice, we have reclassified as Requests for Waiver any appeals seeking review of a USAC decision that appropriately should have requested a waiver of the Commission's rules. Similarly, we have reclassified as Requests for Review any appeals seeking a waiver of the Commission's rules but that are, in fact, seeking review of a USAC decision.

<sup>2</sup> See 47 CFR §§ 1.106(f), 1.115(d); see also 47 CFR § 1.4(b)(2) (setting forth the method for computing the amount of time within which persons or entities must act in response to deadlines established by the Commission).

<sup>3</sup> See, e.g., *Requests for Review of Decision of the Universal Service Administrator by Diversified Computer Solutions, Inc.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 27 FCC Rcd 5250, 5251, para. 3 (WCB 2012) (*Diversified Computer Solutions, Inc. Order*) (dismissing appeals as moot where invoicing records demonstrate that the entity was fully compensated for the funding it requested and all submitted invoices funded).

Dismissed as Moot – USAC Took Requested Action<sup>4</sup>

Yeshiva Shaar Ephraim, NY, Application No. 1047698, Request for Review, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 7, 2021)

Longview Rapid Communications, Inc. (Cisco Independent School District), TX, Application No. 211038164, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 23, 2024)

Dismiss for Failure to Comply with the Commission's Basic Filing Requirements<sup>5</sup>

Ahead in the Cloud, LLC (Ayersville Local School District), OH, Application Nos. 211038619, 211039455, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 22, 2024)

Guardian Angels Central Catholic, NE, No Application Number Given, Request for Review, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Sept. 5, 2025)

Los Angeles County Law Library, CA, Application No. 241037272, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 25, 2025)

Los Angeles County Law Library, CA, Application No. 241037178, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 30, 2025)

K & M Communications d/b/a The Navicon Group, MA, No Application Number Given, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 2, 2025)

Questivity, Inc. (SUPERnet Consortium), TX, Application No. 231014102, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Feb. 5, 2025)

Winnacunnet Coop School District, NH, Application No. 241029977, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 20, 2025)

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<sup>4</sup> See, e.g., *Requests for Review and/or Requests for Waiver of the Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Al Noor High School et al.*; *Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 27 FCC Rcd 8223 (WCB 2012) (*Al Noor High School Order*) (dismissing as moot requests for review where USAC has taken the requested action).

<sup>5</sup> 47 CFR § 54.721 (setting forth general filing requirements for requests for review of decisions issued by USAC, including the requirement that the request for review include supporting documentation); see also *Wireline Competition Bureau Reminds Parties of Requirements for Request for Review of Decisions by the Universal Service Administrative Company*, CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 02-6, WC Docket Nos. 02-60, 06-122, 10-90, 11-42, 13-184, 14-58, Public Notice, 29 FCC Rcd 13874 (WCB 2014) (reminding parties submitting appeals to the Bureau of the general filing requirements contained in the Commission's rules which, along with a proper caption and reference to the applicable docket number, require (1) a statement setting forth the party's interest in the matter presented for review; (2) a full statement of relevant, material facts with supporting affidavits and documentation; (3) the question presented for review, with reference, where appropriate, to the relevant Commission rule, order or statutory provision; and (4) a statement of the relief sought and the relevant statutory or regulatory provision pursuant to which such relief is sought); *Universal Service Contribution Methodology*; *Request for Review by Alternative Phone, Inc. and Request for Waiver*, WC Docket No. 06-122, Order, 26 FCC Rcd 6079 (WCB 2011) (dismissing without prejudice a request for review that failed to meet the requirements of section 54.721 of the Commission's rules).

Dismissing Petitions for Reconsideration<sup>6</sup>

Alpena County George N. Fletcher Public Library, MI, Application No. 241040604, Petition for Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 18, 2025)

Christ Lutheran School, NE, Application No. 251043082, Petition for Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 18, 2025)

Congregation Machzikei Hadas and Power Tech NJ Inc., NJ, Application No. 221036765, Petition for Reconsideration, CC Docket No 02-6 (filed Aug. 28, 2025)

Renaissance Academy Charter School of the Arts, NY, Application No. 251043149, Petition for Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 11, 2025)

St. Joseph Elementary School, MN, Application No. 251032390, Petition for Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 28, 2025)

Twin Hills School District CO11, OK, Application No. 251010353, Petition for Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 4, 2025)

Watchung Borough School District, NJ, Application No. 221020787, Petition for Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Feb. 2, 2024)

Late-Filed Petition for Reconsideration<sup>7</sup>

Bais Reuven Kaminitz, NJ, Application No. 251042760, Petition for Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Sept. 2, 2025)

Pikes Peak Library District, CO, Application No. 251043017, Petition for Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 20, 2025)

Granted<sup>8</sup>

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<sup>6</sup> See, e.g., *Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Allan Shivers Library et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 29 FCC Rcd 10356, 10357, para. 2 (WCB 2014) (*Allan Shivers Library Order*) (dismissing petitions for reconsideration that fail to identify any material error, omission, or reason warranting reconsideration, and rely on arguments that have been fully considered and rejected by the Bureau within the same proceeding).

<sup>7</sup> See, e.g., *Petitions for Reconsideration by Rockwood School District and Yakutat School District; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 26 FCC Rcd 13004 (WCB 2011) (*Rockwood School District Order*) (dismissing two petitions for reconsideration because they were filed more than 30 days after the date of the Bureau's decisions); 47 CFR § 1.106(f) (requiring petitions for reconsideration to be filed within 30 days of the date of the Bureau's decision).

<sup>8</sup> We remand these applications to USAC and direct USAC to complete its review of the applications and issue funding decisions based on a complete review and analysis, no later than 90 calendar days from the release date of this Public Notice. In remanding these applications to USAC, we make no finding as to the ultimate eligibility of the equipment/services or the petitioners' applications. We also waive sections 54.507(d) and 54.514(a) of the Commission's rules and direct USAC to waive any procedural deadline that might be necessary to effectuate our ruling. See 47 CFR § 54.507(d) (requiring non-recurring services to be implemented by September 30 following the close of the funding year); 47 CFR § 54.514(a) (codifying the invoice filing deadline rule).

*Demonstrating Extraordinary Circumstances Warranting Invoice Rule Waiver*<sup>9</sup>

Stanislaus County Free Library, CA, Application No. 171030601, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Nov. 1, 2019)

*FCC Form 473 Technical Issue*<sup>10</sup>

Holy Cross Catholic Academy, TX, Application No. 231039221, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 4, 2025)

*Granting on Reconsideration – Application Filed Late Due to Circumstances Beyond Their Control*<sup>11</sup>

Launch Expeditionary Learning Charter, NY, Application Nos. 251043153, 251043154, Petition for Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 14, 2025)

*Granting on Reconsideration – Issue on Appeal Should Have Been Resolved with USAC Before the Petitioner Resorted to Filing an Appeal*<sup>12</sup>

Community College Preparatory Public Charter School, DC, Application No. 191041326, Petition for Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Sept. 2, 2020)

*Granting on Reconsideration – Waiver of Special Construction Service Delivery Deadline*<sup>13</sup>

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<sup>9</sup> See, e.g., *Petition for Reconsideration of a Decision of the Wireline Competition Bureau by Sunesys, LLC (Montebello Unified School District), Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order on Reconsideration, 34 FCC Rcd 7766, 7768, para. 6 (WCB 2009) (*Sunesys, LLC Order*) (granting an invoice filing deadline extension when the petitioner demonstrated extraordinary circumstances outside of its control).

<sup>10</sup> See, e.g., *Aurora Public Library, et al. Aurora, IL, Schools And Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 40 FCC Rcd 3044, 3048-49, para. 10 (WCB 2025) (*Aurora Public Library Order*) (granting waiver where service provider was unable to timely file its Service Provider Annual Certification due to technical issues).

<sup>11</sup> See, e.g., *Petitions for Reconsideration by Callisburg Independent School District; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order and Order on Reconsideration, 28 FCC Rcd 9459, 9461, para. 5 (WCB 2013) (*Callisburg Independent School District Order*) (granting petition for reconsideration where, upon reconsideration of the record, we do not find that the evidence supports our prior decision); *Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Abbotsford School District et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 27 FCC Rcd 15299, 15300, para. 2 (WCB 2012) (*Abbotsford School District Order*) (granting waiver where the applicant filed within a reasonable period after the close of the application filing window despite delays beyond its control).

<sup>12</sup> See, e.g., *Callisburg Independent School District Order*, 28 FCC Rcd at 9461, para. 5 (granting petition for reconsideration where, upon reconsideration of the record, we do not find that the evidence supports our prior decision); *Requests for Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Savannah R-III School District; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 23 FCC Rcd 12053, n.30 (WCB 2008) (*Savannah R-III School District Order*) (finding good cause to waive section 54.720 of the Commission's rules that establishes deadlines for affected parties to seek review of decisions issued by USAC because the issue on appeal before the Commission should have been resolved with USAC before the petitioner resorted to filing an appeal).

<sup>13</sup> See, e.g., *Callisburg Independent School District Order*, 28 FCC Rcd at 9461, para. 5 (granting petition for reconsideration where, upon reconsideration of the record, we do not find that the evidence supports our prior

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Navajo Nation Tribal Consortium, AZ, Application No. 211019879, FRN 2199055136, Petition for Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 7, 2025)

*Late-Filed Appeal or Waiver – Submitted Only a Few Days Late*<sup>14</sup>

Redmond School District, OR, Application No. 775528, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Apr. 28, 2015)

*Late-Filed FCC Form 471 Applications — Application Filed Late Due to Circumstances Beyond Their Control*<sup>15</sup>

BridgePrep Academy of Tampa, FL, Application No. 251043335, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 31, 2025)

*Late-Filed FCC Form 471 Applications — Filed More than 30 Days Late Due to Serious Illness*<sup>16</sup>

Friend Elementary School, OK, Application No. 251043295, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 16, 2025)

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decision); *Requests for Waiver of the Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Grants/Cibola County School District and Jemez Pueblo Tribal Consortium*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 33 FCC Rcd 10048, 10051, para. 8 (WCB 2018) (*Grants/Cibola County School District Order*) (waiving the June 30<sup>th</sup> special construction service delivery deadline because the applicant was unable to complete implementation for reasons beyond the service provider's control and the petitioner made good faith efforts to comply with Commission rules and procedures).

We find that Navajo Nation Tribal Consortium was unable to complete implementation for reasons beyond its control and made good faith efforts to comply with Commission rules and procedures. We waive the special construction service delivery deadline and direct USAC to provide the applicant until June 30, 2026 to complete its special construction project. We also waive any associated administrative or procedural deadlines, including the invoice filing deadline, that might be necessary to effectuate our ruling. *See supra* note 8. We further note that because the special construction service delivery deadline has been extended several times for this FY 2021 application, we do not anticipate granting another waiver of the service delivery deadline for this funding request. If additional time is needed for the remaining portion(s) of this build, Navajo Nation Tribal Consortium should submit funding application(s) for the portion(s) of the build that cannot be completed by the June 30, 2026 deadline in the upcoming funding year (i.e., funding year 2026). *See Streamlined Resolution of Requests Related to Actions by the Universal Service Administrative Company*, CC Docket No. 02-6, WC Docket Nos. 21-93, 10-90, 02-60, 18-213, Public Notice, 37 FCC Rcd 6423, 6438, n.11 (WCB 2022) (*May 2022 USF Streamlined Public Notice*).

<sup>14</sup> *See, e.g., Requests for Review and/or Waiver of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by ABC Unified School District, et al.*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 26 FCC Rcd 11019, para. 2 (WCB 2011) (*ABC Unified School District Order*) (waiving the filing deadline for petitioners that submitted their appeals or waiver requests to the Commission or USAC only a few days late). We remand these applications to USAC and direct USAC to complete its review of the applications and issue funding decisions based on a complete review and analysis. *See supra* note 8.

<sup>15</sup> *See, e.g., Abbotsford School District Order*, 27 FCC Rcd at 15300, para. 2 (granting waiver where the applicant filed within a reasonable period after the close of the application filing window despite delays beyond its control).

<sup>16</sup> *See, e.g., Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Archdiocese of San Antonio et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism, Establishing Emergency Connectivity Fund to Close the Homework Gap*, CC Docket No. 02-6, WC Docket No. 21-93, Order, 37 FCC Rcd 4879, 4882-83, para. 7-8 (2022) (*Archdiocese of San Antonio Order*) (granting waivers for FCC Form 471 applications filed more than 30 days after the close of the filing window due to serious medical conditions).

Salina Public Library, OK, Application No. 251043310, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 23, 2025)

*Late-Filed FCC Form 486*<sup>17</sup>

KVC, KS, Application No. 241010507, Request for Review, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 28, 2025)

*Ministerial and/or Clerical Error*<sup>18</sup>

Athens City School District, AL, Application No. 251011717, Request for Review and/or Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 27, 2025)

Blooming Grove Independent School District, TX, Application No. 251005041, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 6, 2025)

Elmsford Union Free School District, NY, Application No. 251030815, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 11, 2025)

Holy Trinity Catholic School, PA, Application No. 231033771, Request for Review and/or Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 6, 2025)

North Warren Central School District, NY, Application No. 251006169, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed June 2, 2025)

St. Patrick Grade School, FL, Application No. 979313, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Jan. 20, 2015)

*Ministerial and Clerical Error – Invoicing*<sup>19</sup>

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<sup>17</sup> See, e.g., *Requests for Waiver of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Archdiocese of New Orleans et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 31 FCC Rcd 11747, 11750, para. 10 (WCB 2016) (*Archdiocese of New Orleans Order*) (granting relief for late-filed FCC Forms 486 that were filed no later than 120 days after the last day to receive service for the funding request at issue and where the applicants have demonstrated good cause for the late filing).

<sup>18</sup> See, e.g., *Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Ann Arbor Public Schools*, 25 FCC Rcd 17319, 17320, nn.5, 9, 20 (WCB 2010) (*Ann Arbor Public Schools Order*) (explaining that failure to enter an item from the source list onto the application is a ministerial/clerical error that can be permitted correction; and permitting correction when applicant entered the wrong expiration date for a contract on the form).

We remand Holy Trinity Catholic School's application back to USAC to allow the service provider to update its FCC Form 498 (SPIN) to include its d/b/a entity(ies). See, e.g., *Request for Waiver and Review of the Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Achieve Career Preparatory Academy et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 26 FCC Rcd 10254, 10255, n.10 (WCB 2011) (*Achieve Career Preparatory Academy Order*) (permitting corrections when petitioners misidentified their service providers).

<sup>19</sup> See, e.g., *Requests for Review and/or Waiver of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Accomack County Public School et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 38 FCC Rcd 330, 335, paras. 7, 12 (WCB 2023) (*Accomack County Public School Order*) (granting a waiver where the E-Rate invoice filer entered the incorrect application number on a timely-filed invoice, left off one or more funding request numbers from a timely-filed invoice filing deadline extension request due to a clerical or

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LightStream Networks, LLC (Tishomingo Independent School District 20), OK, Application No. 221003277, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Mar. 8, 2024)

St. Lawrence-Lewis BOCES, NY, Application No. 221021657, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Oct. 14, 2024)

WaveDivision Holdings LLC (Bremerton School District 100-C), WA, Application No. 211002811, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Feb. 8, 2024)

West Harlem Community Organization, Inc., NY, Application No. 221005307, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Sept. 4, 2024)

*Permissible Implementation Delay*<sup>20</sup>

Anchorage School District, AK, Application No. 231018720, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Mar. 7, 2024)

Tech Check, LLC (Aitkin School District 1), MN, Application No. 231030385, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 21, 2025)

*Reconsideration of Bureau's Own Decision – Late-filed Appeal*<sup>21</sup>

computer error, and granting a waiver of the appeal-filing deadline when E-Rate participants had filed an appeal within 60 days of discovering or receiving notice of the ministerial or clerical error).

<sup>20</sup> See, e.g., *Request for Review/Waiver of the Decision of the Universal Service Administrator by Accelerated Charter et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 29 FCC Rcd 13652, 13652-3, para. 2 (WCB 2014) (*Accelerated Charter Order*) (granting late-filed extensions of the service implementation deadline when petitioners demonstrate they were unable to complete implementation on time for reasons beyond the service providers' control and made significant efforts to secure the necessary extensions in a timely manner).

Consistent with precedent, we also find good cause exists to waive section 54.720(a) and (b) of the Commission's rules, which requires that petitioners file their appeals within 60 days of an adverse USAC decision. See *ABC Unified School District Order*, 26 FCC Rcd at 11019, para. 2 (waiving the filing deadline for petitioners that submitted their appeals within a reasonable period of time after receiving actual notice of USAC's adverse decision).

<sup>21</sup> The Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) denied Pulaski County Schools' appeal of the appeal filing deadline and request for waiver of a ministerial and clerical error in the *November 2018 Streamlined Request Resolution Public Notice*. See *Streamlined Resolution of Requests Related to Actions by the Universal Service Administrative Company*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Public Notice, 33 FCC Rcd 11649, 11660 (WCB 2018) (*November 2018 Streamlined Request Resolution Public Notice*). The Bureau then denied a subsequent petition for reconsideration in the *March 2019 Streamlined Request Resolution Public Notice*. See *Streamlined Resolution of Requests Related to Actions by the Universal Service Administrative Company*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Public Notice, 34 FCC Rcd 1926, 1927-28 (WCB 2019) (*March 2019 Streamlined Request Resolution Public Notice*). On our own motion, we now reconsider the Bureau's denial. See 47 CFR § 1.113(a) (allowing a bureau to set aside or modify its own actions within 30 days). Because the Bureau's decision dismissing the petition was released more than 30 days ago, we also waive section 1.113 of the Commission's rules that requires any sua sponte reconsideration of an action taken under delegated authority occur within 30 days of that action. See, e.g., *Archdiocese of San Antonio Order*, 37 FCC Rcd at 4883, para. 11; *Requests for Review of the Decision of the Universal Service Administrator by Pioneerland Library System; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Changes to the Board of Directors of the National Exchange Carrier Assoc.*, CC Docket Nos. 96-45, 97-21, Order on Reconsideration, 16 FCC Rcd 3428 (2001) (*Pioneerland Library System Order*) (waiving section 1.113 of the Commission's rules to permit the reconsideration of a more-than-30-day Bureau denial because it was warranted in that case). We have re-examined the record and have determined that Pulaski County Schools's appeals were timely filed. Consistent with precedent, and based on

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Pulaski County Schools, VA, Application No. 171041390, Petition for Reconsideration, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Dec. 19, 2018)

*Reconsideration of Bureau's Own Decision – Sufficient Documentation to Determine Eligibility*<sup>22</sup>

University Prep Steele Street Inc., WA, Application No. 241039839, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Apr. 22, 2025)

*Unintentional Cancellation of FRN*<sup>23</sup>

Berwyn North School District 98, NE, Application No. 241015019, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Sept. 8, 2025)

Horizon Science Academy McKinley Park, IL, Application No. 251003239, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 29, 2025)

*USAC Decision Issued After Invoice Deadline*<sup>24</sup>

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our review of the record, we also find good cause to waive sections 54.504(a) and 54.507(c) our rules to the extent necessary to allow Pulaski County School to correct its funding year 2017 FCC Form 471 to reflect the correct FCC Form 470 number. *See, e.g., Ann Arbor Public Schools Order*, 25 FCC Rcd at 17320, n.7.

<sup>22</sup> The Bureau granted a waiver and remanded back to USAC University Prep Steele Street Inc.'s request for review in the *September 2025 USF Streamlined Public Notice*. *See Streamlined Resolution of Requests Related to Actions by the Universal Service Administrative Company*, CC Docket No. 02-6, WC Docket Nos. 21-93, 02-60, 10-90, Public Notice, DA 25-731 (WCB rel. Sept. 2, 2025) (*September 2025 USF Streamlined Public Notice*). On our own motion, we now reconsider the Bureau's remand to USAC. *See* 47 CFR § 1.113(a) (allowing a bureau to set aside or modify its own actions within 30 days). Because USAC has already made a determination on appeal, we reverse our decision to remand this decision to USAC and grant this appeal on the merits. We find that University Prep Steele Street Inc. provided sufficient information to demonstrate it was receiving managed internal broadband services (MIBS). *See, e.g., Request for review of the Decision of the Universal Service Administrator by Fayette County School District, Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 20 FCC Rcd 12880, 12882, para. 4 (WCB 2005) (*Fayette County School District Order*) (finding upon review of the record that the applicant provided sufficient documentation to demonstrate the service requested was properly categorized). Therefore, because University Prep Steele Street Inc. properly requested MIBS on its FCC Form 470, we find that the competitive bidding requirements were met. We also waive the deadline for filing its appeal with the Commission. *See, e.g., ABC Unified School District Order*, 26 FCC Rcd at 11019, para. 2 (waiving the appeal filing deadline for petitioners that submitted their appeals to the Commission only a few days late).

<sup>23</sup> *See, e.g., Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Joseph Jingoli & Son, Inc., et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 22 FCC Rcd 19227, 19228-29, paras. 3-4 (WCB 2007) (*Joseph Jingoli & Son, Inc. Order*) (granting petitioners' requests to restore mistakenly cancelled funding requests).

We also grant a waiver of the appeal filing deadline. *See, e.g., ABC Unified School District Order*, 26 FCC Rcd at 11019, para. 2 (waiving the filing deadline for petitioners that submitted their appeals or waiver requests to the Commission or USAC only a few days late or submitted their appeals within a reasonable period of time after receiving actual notice of USAC's adverse decision).

<sup>24</sup> 47 CFR § 54.514(a)(3); *see also Modernizing the E-Rate Program for Schools and Libraries*, WC Docket No. 13-184, Order, 35 FCC Rcd 14426, 14431, para. 15 (2020) (*2020 Invoicing Rule Modification Order*) (authorizing the Bureau to grant a waiver in instances where a program participant was unable to timely submit an invoice because they were awaiting a post-commitment decision from USAC, or received a decision approving a post-commitment request or granting an appeal of a previously denied or reduced funding request after the invoice filing deadline had passed).



Valley Home Joint School District, CA, Application No. 231017367, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 27, 2025)

*USAC Invoice Interpretation Error*<sup>25</sup>

St. Louis City School District, MO, Application No. 231002748, Request for Review and/or Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Sept. 9, 2025)

*Waiver of Special Construction Service Delivery Deadline*<sup>26</sup>

CENIC-Corporation for Education Network Initiatives in California, CA, Application No. 231023227, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 8, 2025)

Elkhorn Public School District, NE, Application No. 241018962, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Sept. 8, 2025)

Esmeralda County Libraries, NV, Application No. 231017111, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 14, 2025)

Esmeralda County School District, NV, Application No. 231026159, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 15, 2025)

Humboldt County Community Anchor Broadband Consortium, NV, Application No. 231024875, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed June 17, 2025)

Oakland Network for Education Consortium, MI, Application No. 231025586, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 28, 2025)

Partially Granted

*Ineligible Services*<sup>27</sup>

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<sup>25</sup> Consistent with our obligation to conduct a de novo review of appeals of decisions made by USAC, we grant this request for review. *See* 47 CFR § 54.723. We find, based on the record before us, that the invoice submitted by St. Louis City School District identified the service approved on the FCC Form 471. We recognize that the change in the invoice format and the start of the calendar was cause for confusion, but considering the totality of circumstances, we find the invoice reflected the service for which the school district sought reimbursement. In this instance, if necessary, we waive any procedural deadlines, including the invoice filing deadline, that might be necessary to effectuate our ruling. *See supra* note 8.

<sup>26</sup> *See, e.g., Grants/Cibola County School District Order*, 33 FCC Rcd at 10051, para. 8 (waiving the June 30<sup>th</sup> special construction service delivery deadline because the applicant was unable to complete implementation for reasons beyond the service provider's control and the petitioner made good faith efforts to comply with Commission rules and procedures).

We find that the petitioners were unable to complete implementation for reasons beyond their control and made good faith efforts to comply with Commission rules and procedures. We waive the special construction service delivery deadline and direct USAC to provide the applicants until June 30, 2026 to complete their special construction projects. We also waive any associated administrative or procedural deadlines, including the invoice filing deadline, that might be necessary to effectuate our ruling. *See supra* note 8.

<sup>27</sup> *See, e.g., Requests for Review of the Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Aiken County Public Schools et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 22 FCC Rcd 8735, 8737-40, paras. 6, 9-10 (2007) (*Aiken County Public Schools Order*) (directing USAC to reassess applicants' funding requests after ineligible services are removed). Specifically, we direct USAC to reassess the

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Clay Center Unified School District 379, KS, Application No. 826231, Request for Review, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Apr. 16, 2015)

Denied

*Failure to Satisfy Debt/Red Light Rule*<sup>28</sup>

Diocese of St. Petersburg Schools, FL, Application No. 1008890, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Sept. 14, 2015)

*Ineligible Services*<sup>29</sup>

Los Angeles Unified School District, CA, Application Nos. 231018158, 241022775, Request for Review, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed June 3, 2024, supplemented July 1, 2025)□

*Late-Filed FCC Form 471 Applications*<sup>30</sup>

Academia Maria Reina, PR, Application No. 251043366, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 8, 2025)

Auburn Community Unit School District 10, IL, Application No. 251043312, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 23, 2025)

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eligibility of the mixed eligibility on-campus equipment, and if applicable, discontinue recovery for the portion of the funding request that is eligible. Consistent with precedent, we also waive the appeal-filing deadline for Clay Center Unified School District 379. *See, e.g., ABC Unified School District Order*, 26 FCC Rcd at 11019, para. 2 (waiving the filing deadline for petitioners that submitted their appeals or waiver requests to the Commission or USAC only a few days late).

<sup>28</sup> *See, e.g., Requests for Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Net56, Inc., Wheeling School District 21, Schools and Libraries Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 28 FCC Rcd 13122, 13126, para 6 (WCB 2013) (*Net56, Inc. Order*) (denying E-Rate applicant's request for a waiver of the red light rule and dismissing its FCC Form 471 application). The petitioners argue that their applications should be funded because they eventually repaid the owed debts. We note that subsequent repayment of the delinquent amount that is in violation of the red light rule does not reverse the dismissal of the any pending application(s). *See id.* (denying funding for E-Rate applications that were dismissed because of the red light rule even if the debt is later satisfied).

<sup>29</sup> *See, e.g., Request for Review of the Decision of the Universal Service Administrator by Pike County School District; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Changes to the Board of Directors of the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc.*, CC Docket Nos. 96-45 and 97-21, Order, 16 FCC Rcd 5461, 5463-64, para. 6 (CCB 2001) (*Pike County School District Order*) (deciding that the documentation provided by the petitioner demonstrates that the requested services are ineligible Network Management Systems as described by the Eligible Services List (ESL), that USAC reasonably determined that the "network maintenance, monitoring, and management and coordination of network status" services requested are ineligible for funding, and that the applicant was sufficiently on notice per the ESL that the services it had applied for were ineligible); *Requests for Waiver and Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by AllWays, Inc. (Prairie Hills School District 144); Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 27 FCC Rcd 1968, 1968-69, para. 1 (WCB 2012) (*AllWays, Inc. Order*) (upholding denials of funding requests for services that are ineligible for E-Rate support).

<sup>30</sup> *See, e.g., Request for Review of the Decision of the Universal Service Administrator by Academy of Math and Science et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 25 FCC Rcd 9256, 9261-62, para. 13 (2010) (*Academy of Math and Science Order*) (denying waivers of the FCC Form 471 application filing deadline where petitioners failed to demonstrate special circumstances needed to justify a waiver of the Commission's rules).

Bayou Academy, MS, Application No. 251043374, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 15, 2025)

Bishop Heelan Catholic Schools, IA, Application No. 251043376, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 15, 2025)

Calvary Chapel Christian School, PA, Application No. 251043301, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 16, 2025)

COMPASS School, MA, Application No. 251043303, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 21, 2025)

Dayspring Christian School, CO, Application No. 251043323, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 12, 2025)

Marshall Memorial Library, NM, Application No. 251043268, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 16, 2025)

Milwaukee College Preparatory School, WI, Application No. 251043284, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 21, 2025)

Pee Dee Academy, SC, Application No. 251043353, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 6, 2025)

Sandridge School District 172, IL, Application No. 251043354, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 6, 2025)

San Xavier Mission School, AZ, Application No. 251043297, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 22, 2025)

Slatington Library, PA, Application No. 251043306, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 22, 2025)

St. Joseph Catholic School, TX, No Application Filed, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 15, 2025)

St. Mary's Elementary School, MN, Application No. 251043315, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 24, 2025)

St. Michael Indian School, AZ, No Application Filed, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 18, 2025)

Valley of the Sun Waldorf Education Association, Inc. d/b/a Desert Marigold School, AZ, Application No. 251043371, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 13, 2025)

Wallace School District 393, ID, Application No. 251043288, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 15, 2025)

Williams Public Library, AZ, Application No. 251016779, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 17, 2025)

*Late-Filed Invoice or Invoice Deadline Extension*<sup>31</sup>

Caliber Public Schools, CA, Application No. 211019180, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 21, 2024)

North Cedar Community School District, IA, Application No. 231037471, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Feb. 28, 2025)<sup>32</sup>

SMC Electric Supply (McDonald County School District R1), MO, Application No. 171032741, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Jan. 17, 2020)

*Relying on FCC Form 470 That Did Not Seek Bids on Types of E-Rate Services Later Requested*<sup>33</sup>

Albany Public Library, NY, Application No. 211034144, Request for Review and/or Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Dec. 20, 2024)

Slatington Library, PA, Application No. 241006364, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 30, 2025)

Warren County School District, VA, Application No. 241028788, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Nov. 26, 2024)

*Untimely Filed Appeals or Waiver Requests*<sup>34</sup>

Alliance Christian Academy, PR, Application No. 251001790, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Sept. 8, 2025)

Al-Madrassa Al-Islamiya, NY, Application No. 171043016, 181035574, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 11, 2025)

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<sup>31</sup> See, e.g., *Requests for Waiver of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Ada School District et al., Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 31 FCC Rcd 3834, 3836, para. 7 (WCB 2016) (*Ada School District Order*) (denying waiver requests for invoice filing deadline extensions for petitioners who failed to seek an extension before the invoice filing deadline and did not demonstrate extraordinary circumstances needed to justify waiving the Commission's rules).

<sup>32</sup> North Cedar Community School District inadvertently listed the incorrect FCC Form 471 application number in its waiver request. We include the correct application number in this public notice.

<sup>33</sup> See, e.g., *Request for Review of a Decision of the Universal Service Administrator by Albert Lea Schools et al.; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 24 FCC Rcd 4533, 4541-42, paras. 14-15 (WCB 2009) (*Albert Lea Schools Order*); *Petition for Reconsideration by Chicago Public Schools; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 29 FCC Rcd 9289, 9290-92, paras. 5-8 (WCB 2014) (*Chicago Public Schools Order*) (denying appeals of applicants that filed FCC Forms 470 that did not include the types of services for which the applicants later requested E-rate funding).

<sup>34</sup> See, e.g., *Requests for Review of the Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Agra Public Schools I-134; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 25 FCC Rcd 5684, 5688, para. 6 (WCB 2010) (*Agra Public Schools Order*); *Requests for Waiver or Review of Decisions of the Universal Service Administrator by Bound Brook School District; Schools and Libraries Universal Service Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 29 FCC Rcd 5823, 5823, para. 1 (WCB 2014) (*Bound Brook School District Order*) (denying requests for review and/or waiver on the grounds that the petitioners failed to: (1) submit their appeals either to the Commission or to USAC within 60 days or failed to submit their waiver requests to the Commission within 60 days as required by the Commission's rules; and (2) did not demonstrate special circumstances required for the Commission to waive the rule).

Aspen Community School Consortium, WA, Application No. 241039613, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 18, 2025)

Bais Brocho of Karlin Stolin, NY, Application No. 1031191, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed June 7, 2021)

Bais Yaakov Elementary School of Rockland County, NY, Application No. 1035614, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 24, 2021)

Bnos Zion of Bobov, NY, Application Nos. 950108, 1009566, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 1, 2021)

Computer Design & Integration/Ahead (New Brunswick School District), NJ, Application No. 231029752, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 22, 2025)

Congregation Bais Chana Malka, NY, Application No. 1041654, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 14, 2021)

Mesilas Bais Yaakov, NY, Application Nos. 251042614, 251042617, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Aug. 8, 2025)

Nesivos Bais Yaakov and Mesivta Nesivos Hatalmud, NY, Application Nos. 1027304, 1027488, and 1029760, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 20, 2021)

STREAM Charter School, CA, Application No. 251003116, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed July 25, 2025)

Talmud Torah Ohr Yochanon, NY, Application No. 1031066, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 27, 2021)

Telworx Communications (Guttenberg School District), NY, Application No. 221032108, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Apr. 4, 2024)

WiscNet (Barneveld School District), WI, Application No. 171033967, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed Feb. 26, 2020)

Yeshiva Beth David School, NY, Application No. 1031797, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 14, 2021)

Yeshiva Darkei Emunah, NY, Application No. 1018023, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-6 (filed May 6, 2021)

**Schools and Libraries Cybersecurity Pilot Program**  
**WC Docket No. 23-234**

**Denied**

*Late Filed FCC Form 484 Part 1*<sup>35</sup>

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<sup>35</sup> 47 CFR § 54.2012(b)(2). We find that the petitioner did not certify its Part 1 of FCC Form 484 or file a waiver within 30 days of the deadline, Nov. 1, 2024, and did not demonstrate special circumstances needed to justify a

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Montgomery County Library and Information Network Consortium, PA, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 23-234 (filed July 29, 2025)

**Rural Health Care Program**

**WC Docket No. 02-60**

**Granted**

*Late-filed FCC Form 462 – Filed Within 14 Days of the Close of the Application Filing Window*<sup>36</sup>

Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation d/b/a Kanakanak Hospital, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250015533 (filed Aug. 4, 2025)

Louisiana Independent Hospital Network Coalition, LA, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250015937 (filed July 24, 2025)

Mississippi Primary Health Care Association, MS, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20250015954, RHC20250015955, RHC20250015959 (filed July 24, 2025)

Pennsylvania Mountains Healthcare Resource Development, PA, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250015941 (filed June 30, 2025)

Willis Knighton Health System, LA, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20250013002, RHC20250015911 (filed July 24, 2025)

*Waiver of Deadline to Appeal Funding Decision*<sup>37</sup>

Intermountain Healthcare (Network Better), UT, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20230026155 (filed Sept. 19, 2024)

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waiver of the Commission's rules. *See Agra Public Schools Order* 25 FCC Rcd at 5688, para. 6; *Bound Brook School District Order*, 29 FCC Rcd at 5823, para. 1 (denying requests for review and/or waiver on the grounds that the petitioners failed to: (1) submit their appeals either to the Commission or to USAC within 60 days or failed to submit their waiver requests to the Commission within 60 days as required by the Commission's rules; and (2) did not demonstrate special circumstances required for the Commission to waive the rule). Consistent with the Commission's decision to adopt similar appeal and waiver rules that govern all of the Universal Service Fund programs, including the E-Rate program, and to leverage existing E-Rate processes and forms in the Schools and Libraries Cybersecurity Pilot Program, we rely on E-Rate program precedent to resolve this petition for waiver of the Cybersecurity Pilot Program rules. *See Schools and Libraries Cybersecurity Pilot Program*, WC Docket No. 23-234, Report and Order, 39 FCC Rcd 6158, 6221-22, para. 113 (2024).

<sup>36</sup> *See Requests for Waiver by Bartlett Regional Hospital et al.*, WC Docket No. 02-60, Order, 39 FCC Rcd 3931, 3934, para. 8 (WCB 2024) (granting waiver requests when applications were filed within 14 days of the deadline and administration of the RHC Program was minimally affected).

<sup>37</sup> *See ABC Unified School District Order*, 26 FCC Rcd at 11019, para. 2 (granting waiver of deadline to appeal due to circumstances beyond the control of petitioners). USAC issued a decision approving Intermountain Healthcare's funding request but mistakenly added funding end dates where none would normally be expected, and the error went undetected until after the close of the 60-day appeal period. As this circumstance was beyond the control of Intermountain Healthcare, we grant the request to waive the deadline to appeal a funding decision, and direct USAC to correct the funding end dates and permit Intermountain Healthcare's service provider to submit invoices for these items.

*Waiver of the Application Filing Deadline – Special Circumstances*<sup>38</sup>

Access Health Louisiana Consortium, LA, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250015971 (filed July 24, 2025)

Claiborne County Medical Center, MS, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250015939 (filed June 26, 2025)

Connections Telehealth Consortium d/b/a Kentucky Telehealth Consortium, KY, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250016022 (filed July 25, 2025)

Louisiana Independent Hospital Network Coalition, LA, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20250015975, RHC20250015976, RHC20250015983, RHC20250015984, RHC20250015988, RHC20250016033, RHC20250016036, RHC20250016037, RHC20250016044, RHC20250016045, RHC20250016046, RHC20250016047, RHC20250016048, RHC20250016049, RHC20250016051, RHC20250016052, RHC20250016053, RHC20250016056, RHC20250016057, RHC20250016058, RHC20250016059 (filed July 24, 2025)

Nmphc Holly Springs, MS, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250016041 (filed July 24, 2025)

Nmphc Pharmacy, MS, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250016040 (filed July 24, 2025)

West Calcasieu Cameron Hospital Consortium, LA, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20250015985, RHC20250015986 (filed July 24, 2025)

Willis Knighton Health System, LA, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250015951 (filed July 24, 2025)

*Waiver of Majority-Rural Rule – Special Circumstances*<sup>39</sup>

<sup>38</sup> See *Request for Review of the Decision of the Universal Service Administrator by Bishop Perry Middle School et al., Schools and Libraries Universal Service Support Mechanism*, CC Docket No. 02-6, Order, 21 FCC Rcd 5316 (2006) (*Bishop Perry Middle School Order*) (waiving the Commission's rules to allow applicants additional time to file their FCC Forms 471 to receive universal service support under the Schools and Libraries mechanism, where applicants' filing was delayed by serious illness or death, where delay was caused by factors outside of the applicant's control, or where staff inadvertently filed late). See also *Academy of Math and Science Order*, 25 FCC Rcd at 9256 (waiving the Commission's rules to allow a funding application to be filed when the delay was due to unexpected illness or death of a family member and the filing delay was relatively brief). Except as otherwise noted, the filing of these applications was delayed by a significant medical event involving the filing consultant. Claiborne County Medical Center states that its staff erred in failing to realize the deadline had passed. Connections Telehealth Consortium received late notice that its service provider was facing an unforeseen operational challenge and chose to conduct a new bid solicitation to ensure reliable service.

<sup>39</sup> In November 2023, USAC notified Golden Valley Health Centers (GVHC) that its consortium had fallen out of compliance with the rule that a majority of its health care providers (HCP) be rural, due to the reclassification of two HCPs in the consortium. Realigning the GVHC consortium to be majority rural could not be completed until invoicing was complete for Funding Year 2023, but this caused timing problems with the Funding Year 2024 application process and would lead to the consortium being unable to participate in the RHC Program in Funding Year 2024. Petitioner requests that USAC be directed to review the newly reconstituted consortium's application for funding year 2024, to overcome this dilemma, which we grant. Generally, the Commission's rules may be waived if good cause is shown. 47 CFR § 1.3. The Commission may exercise its discretion to waive a rule where the particular facts make strict compliance inconsistent with the public interest. *Northeast Cellular Tel. Co. v. FCC*,

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Golden Valley Health Centers, CA, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20240008024 and RHC20240008025 (filed Oct. 7, 2024)

Denied

*Late-filed FCC Form 462 – No Special Circumstances*<sup>40</sup>

Akhiok Clinic, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250008017 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

Alaska Healthcare Broadband and Technology Consortium, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20250016010, RHC20250016012, RHC20250016013, RHC20250016014 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

Alaska Island Community Services – Coffman Cove, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250016002 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

Alaska Island Community Services – Gustavus Community Clinic, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250016055 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

Aleutian Pribilof Islands Association Consortium, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250013872 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

Bristol Bay Area Health Corporation d/b/a Kanakanak Hospital, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20250015600, RHC20250016016 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

CARTI Consortium, AR, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC46100016722 (filed May 29, 2025; supplemented May 30, 2025)

Catahoula Parish Hospital District No. 2, LA, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20250016024, RHC20250016029, RHC46100014523 (filed June 30, 2025)

Connections Telehealth Consortium d/b/a American Telehealth Consortium, OR, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20250016023, RHC20250016027, RHC20250016030, RHC20250016034, RHC20250016035 (filed June 30, 2025)

Cordova Community Medical Center, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20250015996, RHC20250015997 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

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897 F.2d 1164, 1166 (D.C. Cir. 1990) (*Northeast Cellular*). In addition, the Commission may take into account considerations of hardship, equity, or more effective implementation of overall policy on an individual basis. *WAIT Radio v. FCC*, 418 F.2d 1153, 1159 (D.C. Cir. 1969); *Northeast Cellular*, 897 F.2d at 1166. Waiver of the Commission's rules is appropriate only if both: (i) special circumstances warrant a deviation from the general rule, and (ii) such deviation will serve the public interest. *Northeast Cellular*, 897 F.2d at 1166.

<sup>40</sup> See *Promoting Telehealth in Rural America*, WC Docket No. 02-60, Order, 40 FCC Rcd 1629 (WCB 2025) (extending the funding year 2025 application filing window by 60 days, to June 2, 2025, to account for certain delays in processing funding applications). See also *Requests for Waiver by Bartlett Regional Hospital et al.*, WC Docket No. 02-60, Order, 39 FCC Rcd 3931, 3934 (WCB 2024) (*Bartlett Regional Hospital Order*) (denying waiver requests when applications were filed more than 14 days past the deadline and no special circumstances are present). Petitioners cite difficulties related to new filing forms and a website transition at USAC, but recitation of the same factors fell short of special circumstances once the application filing deadline had been extended by 60 days on substantially the same basis.



Graham County Hospital, KS, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250016031 (filed Aug. 15, 2025)

Hope Community Resources Hcp16959, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250016003 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

Ihs/Abq Alamo Health Center, NM, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250016015 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

Kodiak Area Native Association, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20250015906, RHC20250015907, RHC20250016007, RHC20250016008, RHC20250016009, RHC20250016020 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

Larsen Bay Clinic, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20250008069, RHC20250016004 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

Missouri Primary Care Association Consortium, MO, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20250016017, RHC20250016062, RHC20250016063, RHC20250016064, RHC20250016065, RHC20250016066, RHC20250016068, RHC20250016069, RHC20250016070, RHC20250016071, RHC20250016072, RHC20250016073, RHC20250016074 (filed Aug. 31, 2025)

Mt. Edgecumbe High School Student Health Center, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20250016054 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

New England Telehealth Consortium, MA, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250016032 (filed July 25, 2025)

New England Telehealth Consortium, MA, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250016021 (filed July 25, 2025)

New England Telehealth Consortium, ME, Request for Waiver, WC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250015952 (filed July 3, 2025)

Old Harbor Health Clinic, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250008077 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

Ouzinkie Clinic, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250008082 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

Pennsylvania Mountains Healthcare Resource Development, PA, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20250015979, RHC20250015982 (filed June 30, 2025)

Port Lions Clinic, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20250008087, RHC20250016005 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

Queens Medical Center – Punchbowl, HI, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC46100016695 (filed June 20, 2025)

Searhc – Mt. Edgecumbe Hospital, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request Nos. RHC20250016000 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

Searhc – Thorne Bay Health Center, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250015940 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

South Peninsula Hospital – Renew, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250015998 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

South Peninsula Hospital Rehabilitation Services, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250015999 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

Wrangell Medical Center, AK, Request for Waiver, CC Docket No. 02-60, Funding Request No. RHC20250016001 (filed Aug. 26, 2025)

**Contribution Methodology**  
**WC Docket No. 06-122**

Denied

*Petition for Waiver of FCC Form 499-A Late Filing Fees*<sup>41</sup> □

Semotus, Inc., Petition for Waiver, WC Docket No. 06-122 (filed July 28, 2025) □ □

Dismissed Without Prejudice

*Petition for Waiver of FCC Form 499-A Late Filing Fees*<sup>42</sup>

Starlaner Communications LLC, Petition for Waiver, WC Docket No. 06-122 (filed Aug. 12, 2025) □ □

Starlaner Communications LLC, Petition for Waiver, WC Docket No. 06-122 (filed Aug. 15, 2025) □ □

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<sup>41</sup> See, e.g., *Universal Service Contribution Methodology; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Requests for Review of Decisions of Universal Service Administrator by Airband Communications, Inc. et al.*, WC Docket No. 06-122, CC Docket No. 96-45, Order, 25 FCC Rcd 10861 (WCB 2010) (denying deadline waivers where claims of good cause amount to no more than simple negligence, errors by the petitioner, or circumstances squarely within the petitioner's control); *Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; Request for Review by National Network Communications, Inc.*, CC Docket No. 96-45, Order, 22 FCC Rcd 6783 (WCB 2007) (finding that good cause was not shown when filer claimed it did not have skilled personnel to interpret and correctly apply FCC Form 499 instructions). To the extent Semotus, Inc.'s financial situation makes it difficult to pay the invoice in full, it may set up a payment plan with USAC to satisfy the obligation. See USAC, *Payment Plans*, <https://www.usac.org/service-providers/making-payments/how-to-pay/payment-plans/> (last visited Sept. 10, 2025).

<sup>42</sup> 47 CFR § 54.721. See, e.g., *Universal Service Contribution Methodology, Request for Review of Decision of Universal Service Administrator and Request for Waiver by CML Communications LLC*, WC Docket No. 06-122, Order, 26 FCC Rcd 335 (WCB 2011); *Universal Service Contribution Methodology, Request for Review of Decision of Universal Service Administrator and Request for Waiver by Alternative Phone, Inc.*, WC Docket No. 06-122, Order, 26 FCC Rcd 6079 (WCB 2011); *Universal Service Contribution Methodology, Request for Review of Decision of Universal Service Administrator by Dorial Telecom LLC*, WC Docket No. 06-122, Order, 26 FCC Rcd 3799 (WCB 2011) (finding requests are procedurally defective for failure to comply with 47 CFR § 54.721). Starlaner filed two identical petitions for waiver that contained the same deficiencies and we dismiss both petitions here.

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