

Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)	
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Request for Review of the Universal Service Administrator by)	
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MeritCare Clinic Detroit Lakes Detroit Lakes, Minnesota)	File No. RHCD-10809-1
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Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service)	CC Docket No. 96-45
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Changes to the Board of Directors of the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc.)	CC Docket No. 97-21
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ORDER

Adopted: March 20, 2000

Released: March 21, 2000

By the Common Carrier Bureau:

1. This Order dismisses the Letter of Appeal of the MeritCare Clinic Detroit Lakes (Detroit Lakes), Detroit Lakes, Minnesota, seeking review of a decision issued by the Universal Service Administrative Company’s Rural Health Care Division on October 1, 1999. The Commission received Detroit Lakes’s Letter of Appeal on January 10, 2000. Under section 54.720 of the Commission’s rules, 47 C.F.R. § 54.720, any such appeal must be filed within 30 days of the issuance of the decision as to which review is sought. Documents are considered to be filed with the Commission only upon receipt. 47 C.F.R. § 1.7. Because the instant Letter of Appeal was not filed within the specified 30-day period, it will be dismissed without further consideration.

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 January 10, 2000, by the MeritCare Clinic Detroit Lakes, Detroit Lakes, Minnesota, IS DISMISSED.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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