Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of)
Request for Review of the Decision of the Universal Service Administrator by)
Riverside County Office of Education Riverside, California) File No. SLD-265580
Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service) CC Docket No. 96-45
Changes to the Board of Directors of the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc.) CC Docket No. 97-21

ORDER

Adopted: May 14, 2003 Released: May 15, 2003

By the Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau:

1. Riverside County Office of Education (Riverside County), Riverside, California, seeks review of a December 16, 2002 decision by the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (Administrator). For a review of decisions by SLD issued on or after August 13, 2001, appeals to the Commission must be filed within 60 days of the issuance of the SLD decision date. Here, Riverside County filed its appeal on March 3, 2003, after the 60-day period, in contravention of our rules. We therefore dismiss the appeal.

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¹ Letter from William Spires, Riverside County Office of Education, to Federal Communications Commission, filed March 3, 2003 (Request for Review); Letter from the School and Libraries Division, Universal Service Administrative Company, to William Spires, Riverside County Office of Education, dated December 16, 2002; 47 C.F.R. § 54.719(c).

² 47 C.F.R. § 54.720(b). See Implementation of Interim Filing Procedures for Filings of Requests for Review, Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45, Order, 17 FCC Rcd 339 (rel. Dec. 26, 2001), as corrected by Implementation of Interim Filing Procedures for Filings of Requests for Review, Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, CC Docket No. 96-45, Errata (Com. Car. Bur. rel. Dec. 28, 2001 and Jan. 4, 2002).

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 Request for Review filed on March 3, 2003, by Riverside County Office of Education, Riverside, California, IS DISMISSED.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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