

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

In the Matter of	)	
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Request for Review of	)	
Decision of the Universal Service	)	
Administrative Company by	)	
	)	
National Public Phone Company	)	
	)	
Federal-State Joint Board on Universal	)	CC Docket No. 96-45
Service	)	
	)	
Changes to the Board of Directors of the	)	CC Docket No. 97-21
National Exchange Carriers Association, Inc.	)	

**ORDER**

**Adopted: July 7, 2004**

**Released: July 8, 2004**

By the Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau:

**I. INTRODUCTION**

1. This Order dismisses the Request for Review filed by National Public Phone Company ("NPP").<sup>1</sup> NPP seeks review of a decision issued by the Universal Service Administrative Company (Administrator) on February 7, 2002.<sup>2</sup> The Commission received NPP's Request for Review on October 9, 2003.<sup>3</sup>

2. For requests seeking review of decisions issued by the Administrator, an appeal must be filed with the Commission within 60 days of the issuance of the decision the party seeks to have reviewed.<sup>4</sup> Documents are considered to be filed with the Commission only upon receipt.<sup>5</sup>

<sup>1</sup> Letter from Craig D. Joyce, Counsel for National Public Phone Company to the Federal Communications Commission, dated October 9, 2003 (Request for Review).

<sup>2</sup> Letter from Universal Service Administrative Company, to Teresa Bercel, National Public Phone Company, dated February 7, 2002. Section 54.719(c) of the Commission's rules provides that any person aggrieved by an action taken by a division of the Administrator may seek review from the Commission. 47 C.F.R. § 54.719(c).

<sup>3</sup> See Request for Review.

<sup>4</sup> Normally, such appeals must be filed with the Commission within 30 days of the issuance of the decision the party seeks to have reviewed. 47 C.F.R. § 54.720(a). However, due to disruption in the reliability of the mail service, the 30-day appeal period has been extended by an additional 30 days for requests for review of decisions issued on or after August 13, 2001. See *Implementation of Interim Filing Procedures for Filings of Requests for Review*, Order, CC Docket No. 96-45, 17 FCC Rcd 339 (2001).

NPP should have filed its Request for Review by April 8, 2002 in order for it to be timely filed. NPP filed its Request for Review on October 9, 2003.

3. 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 October 9, 2003, by National Public Phone Company IS DISMISSED.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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<sup>5</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 1.7.