Administrator's Decision on Appeal – Funding Year 2014-2015

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Re: Applicant Name: GREEN DOT PUBLIC SCHOOLS
Billed Entity Number: 16021229
Form 471 Application Number: 937282
Funding Request Number(s): 2725182
Your Correspondence Dated: May 15, 2015

After thorough review and investigation of all relevant facts, the Schools and Libraries Division (SLD) of the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) has made its decision in regard to your appeal of USAC's Funding Year 2014 Funding Commitment Decision Letter for the Application Number indicated above. This letter explains the basis of USAC's decision. The date of this letter begins the 60 day time period for appealing this decision. If your Letter of Appeal included more than one Application Number, please note that you will receive a separate letter for each application.

Funding Request Number(s): 2725182
Decision on Appeal: Denied
Explanation:

- Upon a thorough review of the relevant documentation, USAC has determined that at the time Green Dot Public Schools certified their FCC Form 471 application, the District did not have a signed contract in place with their service provider for Funding Year July 1, 2014 - June 30, 2015. The record shows that the contract submitted during the PIA review was signed and dated on May 14, 2014 and the District's FCC Form 471 Certification was postmarked on March 24, 2014. The rules of this support mechanism state that the applicant must sign and date the contract prior to certifying the FCC Form 471. In this case, you have not demonstrated that the District has complied with FCC Rules. Consequently, your appeal is denied.

USAC has determined, that at the time you submitted your FCC Form 471 application, you did not have a contract with your service provider, which met
your state and local or the FCC's definition of a contract. Except for services to be delivered under non-contracted tariff or month-to-month arrangements, FCC rules require that applicants submit a completed FCC Form 471 "upon signing a contract for eligible services." The services you requested are not non-contracted tariff or month-to-month services. See 47 C.F.R. sec. 54.504(a). In your appeal, you did not demonstrate that USAC's decision was incorrect. As USAC does not have authority to waive the FCC rules of the program, your appeal is denied.

Since your appeal was denied in full, dismissed or cancelled, you may file an appeal with the FCC. Your appeal must be postmarked within 60 days of the date on this letter. Failure to meet this requirement will result in automatic dismissal of your appeal. You should refer to CC Docket No. 02-6 on the first page of your appeal to the FCC. If you are submitting your appeal via United States Postal Service, send to: FCC, Office of the Secretary, 445 12th Street SW, Washington, DC 20554. Further information and options for filing an appeal directly with the FCC can be found under the Reference Area/"Appeals" of the SLD section of the USAC website or by contacting the Client Service Bureau. We strongly recommend that you use the electronic filing options.

We thank you for your continued support, patience and cooperation during the appeal process.

Schools and Libraries Division
Universal Service Administrative Company

cc: Bill Campbell