

# EPC 1.3.0.1 RELEASE NOTES

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The E-rate Productivity Center (EPC) is the account and application management portal for the Schools and Libraries (E-rate) Program. Applicants, consultants, and service providers participating in the E-rate Program will use this tool to manage program processes and to submit questions.

## PDF DISPLAY ISSUES

- The following display issues have been fixed in the PDF versions of the FCC Form 471 (draft and certified):
  - Applicants will now only see the fields for contracted services or for tariffed/month-to-month services, as appropriate. Before this deployment, some of these fields always appeared in the PDF regardless of the type of agreement.
  - Applicants will now see the correct Billed Entity Numbers (BENs) for school districts in PDF versions of the FCC Form 471. EPC itself assigns “primary keys” – six-letter identifiers beginning with “3” – to entities in addition to their BENs, and those primary keys have in some places been incorrectly displayed in place of the BEN.
  - Other spelling and formatting issues have been corrected.
- FRN line item numbers will now display correctly in the list of errors produced before the FCC Form 471 can be certified.
- Consortia will no longer see a link to “Manage Connectivity Questions” in the list of “Related Actions” for their profiles. Consortia are not required to answer these questions for their members.

## BULK UPLOAD TEMPLATES

- Applicants completing a bulk upload template for Data Transmission and/or Internet Access can now enter fractional allocations of circuits – to two decimal places – for multiple entities if circuits have been designated as going directly to a school, library, or non-instructional facility. The FCC Form 471 allows this functionality, but its associated bulk upload template did not. Note that if you use this functionality, the shared fractions must add up to a whole number. For example, if three entities are sharing the circuit equally, the allocations must be 0.33, 0.33, and 0.34.