

# Schools and Libraries (E-rate) Program

# Service Provider Webinar

August 23, 2016



Welcome

### About the service provider webinar

- Schools and Libraries (E-rate) Program updates and information relevant for service providers
- Tuesdays at noon EDT
- Agenda topics by audience request
  - Submit yours by the Friday at noon EDT
  - Use "Questions and Comments" section on the registration form



## Welcome

## **Today's Presenters**

#### **Leslie Frelow**

Director, Program Integrity Assurance (PIA)

#### **Mick Kraft**

Senior Manager, Invoicing

**Tom Nesbitt** Senior Manager, Technology **Kathryn Goffredi** Moderator



## Welcome

#### Agenda

- Online tools (Tom Nesbitt)
  - Search commitment tool
  - DRT
- FCC Form 486 (Leslie Frelow)

- FCC Form 473 (SPAC) (Mick Kraft)
  - Demo online filing
- Open Q&A



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# **Online tools**



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### **E-rate Program online tools**

#### E-rate Productivity Center

- New online application system! (FY 2016 and beyond)
- Still in development
- FCC Forms 470, 471, 486, applicant 498

#### E-File

- Service provider account management
- FCC Form 498
- FCC Form 473 SPAC
- FCC Form 474

#### Legacy "Apply Online" system

- Legacy system; being phased out
- Some forms still in here while we work to move them to EPC (e.g., FCC Form 486 for FY 2015 and prior years)
- FCC Form 472 BEAR

#### usac.org/sl online tools

- On our public website, usac.org/sl
- Search funding commitments
- View/download FCC Forms 470



# **Online tools**

#### **Online tools**

- FY2016 search commitments tool now available!
  - Search for your customer's funding commitment decision letters (FCDLs)
- DRT (data retrieval tool) update

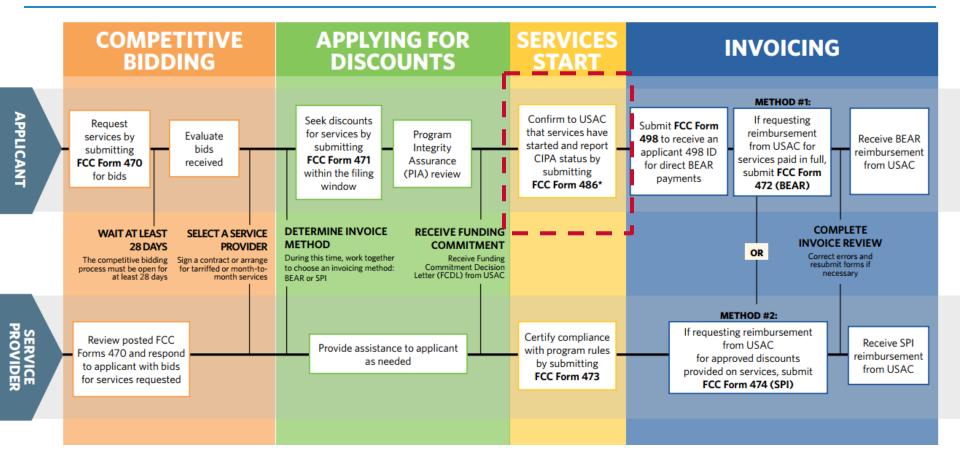


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# FCC Form 486



# **E-rate Program Application Process**





#### **Starting services**

- FCC Form 486 is the "Receipt of service confirmation and CIPA certification" form:
  - Your customer fills it out to confirm that services have started / been delivered
- To file FCC Form 486, your customers:
  - Received a funding commitment decision letter (FCDL) with a positive funding amount
  - Has begun services or will begin services
  - Is compliant with the Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA)



FCC Form 486

#### What to know about FCC Form 486 in EPC

- Service Provider FCC Form 486 Notification Letter File
  - Weekly an email is sent
  - Hyperlink in the email takes you to the Landing Page to generate the Notification
  - Electronic Notification file must be generated to view
  - Appears in the News and Landing Page after it is generated
- FCC Form 486 Certification
  - Not sent to the service provider
  - This is a notice to the applicant that the FCC Form was certified

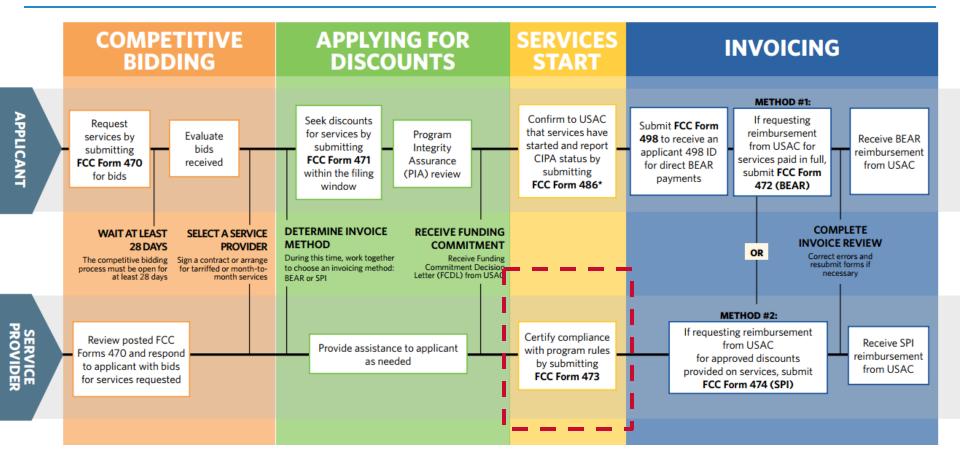


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# **FCC Form 473**



# **E-rate Program Application Process**





# FCC Form 473

#### **SPAC Form**

- FCC Form 473 is the service provider annual certification (SPAC)
  - Required each funding year
- File online known slow service
  - How to print
- How to search for FCC Forms 473 online
  - Review of SPIN search tool



# Thank you!

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- Call (888) 203-8100
- John Noran: john.noran@usac.org
- Mick Kraft: <u>michael.kraft@usac.org</u>



Invoicing

## FY2016 invoicing process (SPI)

FCDL issued + services started + customer submits FCC Form 486 + service provider submits FCC Form 473

Customer selects SPI method (service provider invoicing)

Bill customer for the non-discount share of the cost of services

Choose "File Online" (Alt: file electronically)

Submit invoice to USAC Deadline: 120 days after service ends or FCC Form 486 notification Submit invoice to USAC USAC reviews invoice 90%+ processed within 30 days

USAC approves invoice Payments deposited within 2 days to bank account listed on FCC Form 498





