Key Takeaways

 The invoicing method is applicant's choice, ideally before certifying the FCC Form 471.

Before invoicing:

- Certify the FCC Form 486, Receipt of Service Confirmation and Children's Internet Protection Act (CIPA) Certification Form.
- Ensure that the service provider certifies the FCC Form 473, Service Provider Annual Certification (SPAC) Form, for each Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN).
- Ensure you have the correct Funding Commitment Decision Letter (FCDL), discount rate, approved cost of service, FCC Form 471 number, and Funding Request Number (FRN).
- Confirm that you have an approved FCC Form 498, Service Provider and Billed Entity
 Identification Number and General Contact Information Form.
- Ensure your access to invoicing forms through <u>One Portal</u> and have a Personal Identification Number (PIN).
 - Invoice submission to USAC by mail, email, fax or scan are <u>not</u> permitted.

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Key Takeaways

Know your invoicing deadline:

- Generally, October 28 for recurring services
- Generally, January 28 for non-recurring services
- Request an extension, if needed

Invoice review

- All invoices submitted must be for the service, entities, rates, and quantities approved on the FCC Form 471 for that FRN.
- USAC may reject your invoice if there is an error or inconsistency with the:
 - FCC Form 471 number
 - Discount percentage
 - Available funding
 - FRN

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Key Takeaways

Outreach

- To expedite review and payment, respond timely and accurately with all necessary information requested.
- You have seven (7) days to respond, and you may request one (1) seven-day extension.

Invoice payments

- An applicant or service provider can resubmit a rejected invoice once corrected, provided the Invoice Deadline Date (IDD) has not expired.
 - Applicant or service provider has 60 days to appeal to USAC if a timely filed invoice is rejected.
 - If USAC denies the appeal, you have 60 days to appeal that rejection directly to the FCC.

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