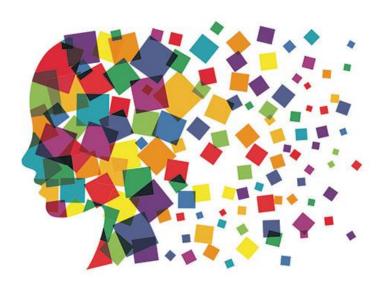
# E-rate Form 471 Category 2 Filing Guide FY 2017



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#### FY 2017 Form 471 Timeline

## Form 471 Deadline = May 11, 2017 Form 470 Deadline?

- If no board approval needed, last possible date to submit Form 470 = April 13,
   2017
  - Give yourself at least a week to file the 471, making your Form 470 deadline April 6
- If board IS approval needed, count back 35-40 days from board meeting date, and this is your last date to file 470
  - 35 days instead of 29 days because boards' require documents ahead of meeting
- Do <u>NOT</u> wait until these dates to file your 470!
  - Need time to conduct bid evaluations, negotiate contracts, and file the Form
     471
  - Always best to avoid filing 471s the last few days of the window due to system glitches
- USAC has promised to review applications in the order they were submitted
  - Have not promised to "fund" applications in this order, however

#### What's New for FY 2017?

#### Separate Admin Window

- Needed so libraries and consortia didn't have to have separate filing window
  - Their discount data is fully dependent on schools' discount data
- Admin Window over can no longer update buildings/enrollment/NSLP data
- Make changes using the FRN narrative boxes, or via the RAL correction process
  - RAL Process should be available beginning next week
- Consortia members can be <u>added</u> by contacting CSB
  - CSB will not REMOVE consortia members simply don't add them to your 471

#### 'Copy FRN' Feature

- Allows you to copy another FRN and make changes
- Great to use for multi-year contracts
- Guide sent to PA E-rate listserve <a href="http://e-ratepa.org/?p=19301">http://e-ratepa.org/?p=19301</a>

#### Internal Connections Bulk Upload Template

- Most useful for C2 Internal Connections FRNs with multiple line items
- Bulk Upload Guide shown at end of this Guide, starting on page 103.
- Template at: <a href="http://e-ratepa.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/Category-Two-Internal-Connections-Crashed-Fix-Version-16.4.xlsm">http://e-ratepa.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/Category-Two-Internal-Connections-Crashed-Fix-Version-16.4.xlsm</a>

## Helpful Hints for FY 2017

- 1. I recommend filing a 471 for EACH separate FRN
  - Doesn't take that much extra time
  - PIA seemed to have an easier time reviewing smaller applications in FY 2016
  - If there's a system glitch with one application, it won't hold up the others
  - Not a USAC requirement
    - Form just requires separate 471s for C1 and C2
  - Exception: if you are filing for leased dark fiber or special provisioned fiber, all related FRNs should be listed on the same 471
- 2. Be sure to list all unit costs separately
  - Don't show voice as \$100,000 for a wireless project and quantity of 1
  - Show each model #, # of units and cost of each unit

## Before Filing the Form 471

- Update Connectivity Module in EPC
  - > Landing Page > Billed Entity Name > Related Actions > Manage Connectivity Questions
  - If data hasn't changed from last year, skip this step
  - If you added new schools or libraries in EPC since last year, you must answer their connectivity questions in EPC or the 471 won't allow you to submit
  - Connectivity Module Guide = <a href="http://e-ratepa.org/?p=18731">http://e-ratepa.org/?p=18731</a>
  - Hint:
    - 1<sup>st</sup> page is Internet related
    - School pages are bandwidth/WiFi related

## Before Filing the Form 471

- Add New Contracts in EPC
  - > Landing Page > Billed Entity Name > Contracts > Manage Contracts
  - If you are extending a contract, don't create a new Contract Record
    - Simply change the Contract Expiration Date in the FRN
  - If any data in previous Contract Record is inaccurate (such as the 470 #, SPIN #, etc.), create a new CR and reference the accurate CR on your FY 2017 FRN (ignoring the old one)
    - There is no way to edit an existing CR after it's been submitted
  - Not required to upload contracts, but I recommend you do so for C2 contracts
  - Give your contract a really descriptive nickname!
  - Creating Contract Records Guide = <a href="http://e-ratepa.org/?p=18831">http://e-ratepa.org/?p=18831</a>
  - Creating PEPPM-Related Contract Records Guide = <a href="http://e-ratepa.org/?p=18891">http://e-ratepa.org/?p=18891</a>

## Let's Complete a Category 2 Form 471

#### Jump to it...

- Wireless equipment example slide 17
  - Wireless access points (site specific equipment)
  - Controller (shared equipment used by multiple schools)
- Switches example slide 51 (site specific equipment)
- Structured cabling example slide 73
  - Internal wiring/installation (site specific equipment)
- Bulk Upload Guide slide 103

## From Your EPC Landing Page

#### My Landing Page



Welcome, BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL DISTRICT - PARENT ENTITY!

Funding Request Report | FCC Form 470 FCC Form 471 | FCC Form 486 |
Appeal | FCC Form 500 | SPIN Change | Service Substitution | Manage Users | Manage Organizations | USAC Website | Contact Us | Help

## **Application Nickname**

#### FCC Notice Required By The Paperwork Reduction Act (OMB Control Number: 3060-0806)

#### **Billed Entity Information**

BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL DISTRICT - PARENT ENTITY

100 Main Street

Springfield, PA 19064

555-555-5555

school.district4.user1@mailinator.com

Billed Entity Number: 108

FCC Registration Number: 0123456789

Applicant Type: School District

#### Application Nickname

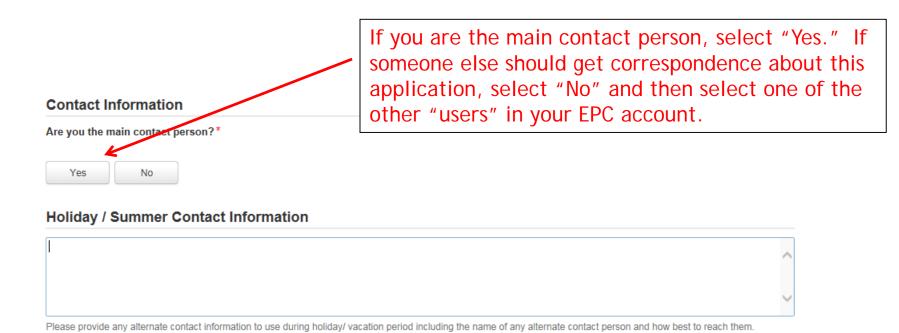
Please enter an application nickname here. \*\*O\*\*

FY 2017 - Category 2 - Wiring



Enter a really descriptive nickname so you can easily find the form in your Task Bar later, such as "FY 2017 Category 2 Wiring."

#### **Identifying Correct Contact Person**



Holiday/summer contact is optional.

## Selecting Category 1 or Category 2

#### Category of Service

What is the category of service for the product and services that you are requesting?

You can only select one Category of Service per FCC Form 471. You can submit a second application for the other Category of Service.

Category 1

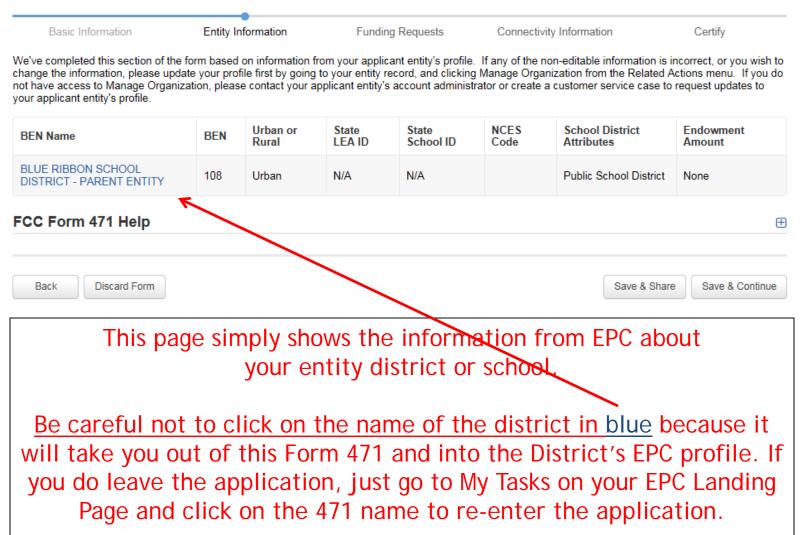
- Voice
- Data Transmission and/or Internet Access

Category 2 🗸

- · Basic Maintenance of Internal Connections
- Internal Connections
- · Managed Internal Broadband Services

Select either "Category 1" or "Category 2." For this Form 471 example, we are filing for Category 2 equipment.

#### **District Entity Information**



## **School Entity Information**

#### Related Entity(ies) Information **Entity Details** # of students that Student Urban State State attend Count **Entity** NCES Alternative CEP School Entity NIF LEA **School** this Based Name Number Code Discount Percentage Attributes Rural school full time Estimate or part time Jacksonville Public Elementary 110 Urban No 123 N/A None N/A School School Maintenance 111 Yes N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A N/A Garage NIF Plainfield Public Elementary 109 Urban 312 N/A N/A 67% School School

This page shows discount-related data that was entered into each school's EPC profile.

Again, be careful not to click on the school's name in blue because you will be taken out of this Form 471 and into that school's EPC profile.

#### **District E-rate Discounts**

#### Requested Discount Calculation

More than 50 percent of your individual schools must be rural for the school district to be considered rural.

This discount rate has not been approved for the current year

5846 2241 38% Urban 60%	60%

This page shows your discount for each category of service.

Notice, the maximum C2 discount rate is 85%, even though the C2 discount is 90%. In all other cases, C1 and C2 will be identical (except voice, of course).

#### **Discount Calculation Errors...**

If you receive a red box showing this discount calculation error:

The information in your organization's profile is not sufficient to calculate your Discount Rate.

it's because data is missing from one or more of you school's EPC profiles and must be corrected.

To make a correction, simply click on the name of the school from you Landing Page, then Manage Organization to make edits to the data.

(If you are a library and receive this error, you must contact the district and ask them to make the edits to the affected school's EPC profiles.)

#### Creating Your Funding Requests

 There are two required elements to <u>each</u> funding request:

#### 1. FRN Key Information

- Indicates if it's for internal connections, MIBS, or maintenance
- Links to the relevant contract (or indicates it's MTM service)
- Describe FRN in narrative box

#### 2. FRN Line Item(s)

- Must have separate line items for each new component
- Gives details about the component/service
- Identifies which schools are receiving equipment
- Provides cost data for each line item

## Example 1: Wireless Equipment

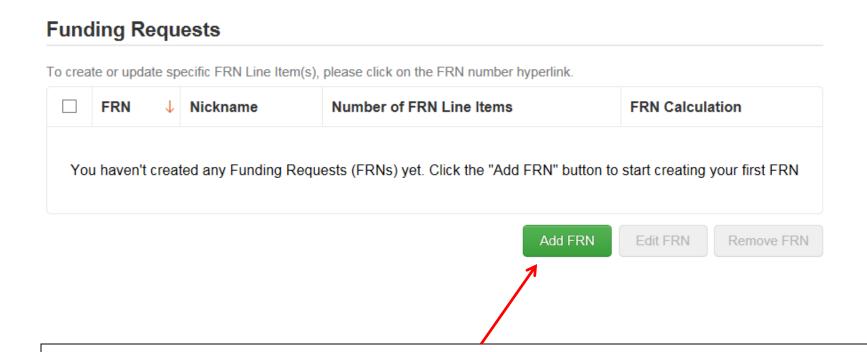
Wireless Access Points (site specific)
Wireless Controller (shared)

#### FRN Example 1: Wireless Equipment

#### Assumptions:

- Contracted service (all C2 must be contracted)
  - Try to have your contract term be: 4/1/2017 (or the contract signing date, whichever is later) through 9/30/2018
  - Use these dates on your FRN
- 2 FRN line items: WAPs and Wireless Controller
- WAPs:
  - 60 WAPs at \$565.00 each
  - Jacksonville School 10 @ \$565 = \$5650
  - Plainfield School 20 @ \$565 = \$11,300
  - Franklin School 30 @ \$565 = \$16,950
- Wireless Controller:
  - \$30,000
  - Shared by 3 schools
  - Cost allocated by % student enrollment (<u>not</u> by # of schools such as 1/3, 1/3, 1/3)

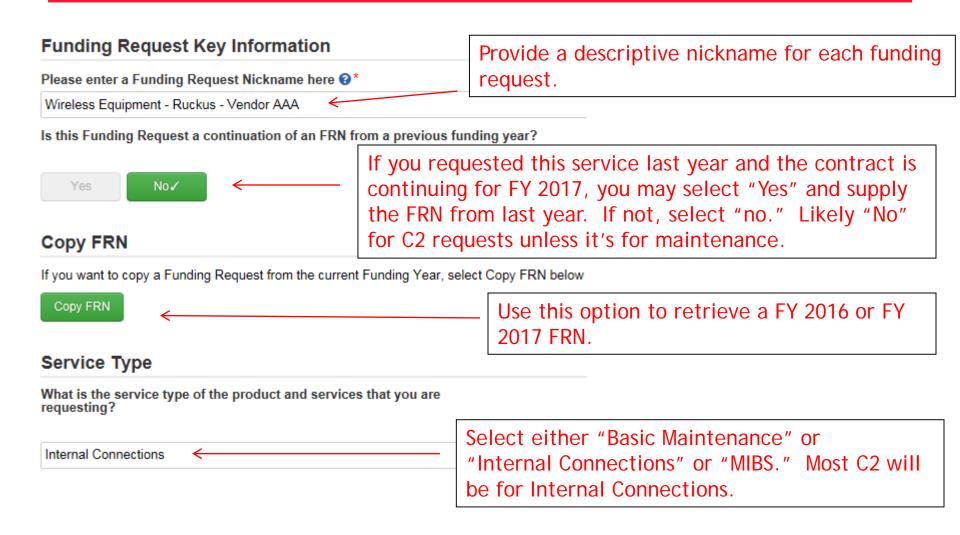
## Adding a Funding Request



This is the main FRN page, not to be confused with the FRN <u>Line Item Page</u>.

You will add your funding requests one by one on this page.

## **Funding Request Key Information**



#### Contract vs. MTM

#### **FRN Contract**

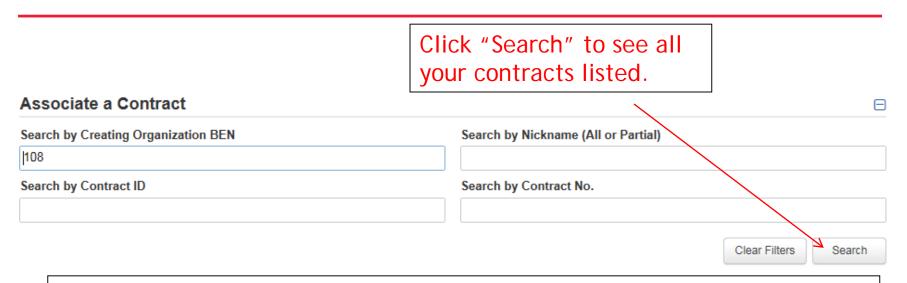
#### How are the services for this FRN being purchased?

Contract information is stored in your Profile; you can add a new Contract at any time. Details about your Tariff and Month-to-Month services will be entered in your FRN.



Select "Contract" for all Category 2 funding requests.

## Linking to a Contract



Since "Contract" was selected on the previous screen, the system will prompt you to search for all of the contracts you have entered in the EPC Contract Module.

You <u>must</u> have your contracts entered in your EPC portal in order for this to work. (However, you are <u>not</u> required to upload the <u>actual</u> contract into EPC.)

If you still need to enter your contracts, from your Landing Page, select your District name and "Contracts" from the menu on the left.

## Choosing the Appropriate Contract

	Contract ID	Contract Number	Nickname	Award Date ↓	Creating Organization BEN	
	4378		2017 - WAN - Sunesys	3/20/2017	108	
	4387		2017 - Structured Cabling - Gator Networking	3/1/2017	108	
	4336		2017 - WAPS - Ruckus - Integra1	3/1/2017	108	
	4132		2017 - internet - comcast	2/6/2017	108	
	4386		2017 - Voice - Frontier	2/1/2017	108	
(H) (	(A) 1-5 of 17 (D) (M)					

After clicking "Search," you will see all of the contracts you entered in EPC. Select the correct contract that should be linked to this funding request.

## Linking to a Contract

#### Contract Summary - 2017 - WAPS - Ruckus - Integra1

Contract Number

Establishing FCC #170005664 Service Provider Organization 1 (SPIN: 14030001)
Form 470 Includes Voluntary Extensions?

Expiration Date (All Extensions)

Remaining Voluntary Extensions

Total Remaining

Contract Length

After selecting the correct contract, you will see a summary of the contract information from EPC.

#### **Entering Service Start and Contract Expiration Dates**

#### Contract Information (Additional)

What is the service start date?\*

Enter the date when services will start in this Funding Year (e.g., July 1, 2016).

Service Start Date:
The system will automatically enter 7/1/2017 as SSD.
Change this to 4/1/2017 or the date you signed your contract, whichever is later.
This will allow you to purchase equipment anytime after April 1, 2017.

What is the date your contract expires for the current term of the contract? 3\*

Contract Expiration Date:
You will need enter the CED for this contract, which is likely 9/30/2018 for Category 2 equipment contracts.

#### **FRN Narrative Box**

BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL DISTRICT - PARENT ENTITY (BEN: 108) - FY 2017 - Category 2 - Wiring - Form # 171003483  Last Saved: 4/2/2017 5:23 PM EDT					
Narrative					
Request, You should also us	e this field to describe any upo	dates to your entity data, suc	vide any other relevant information h as revised student counts, entity i ipdates. These changes will be addi	relationships, etc. that	

Provide a brief narrative that will give enough details so your PIA reviewer understands the services you are requesting. Something like, "60 Wireless Access Points and 1 Wireless Controller. The controller will be located in the network operations center, but will provide service to 3 schools."

#### Adding FRN Line Items

#### Funding Requests

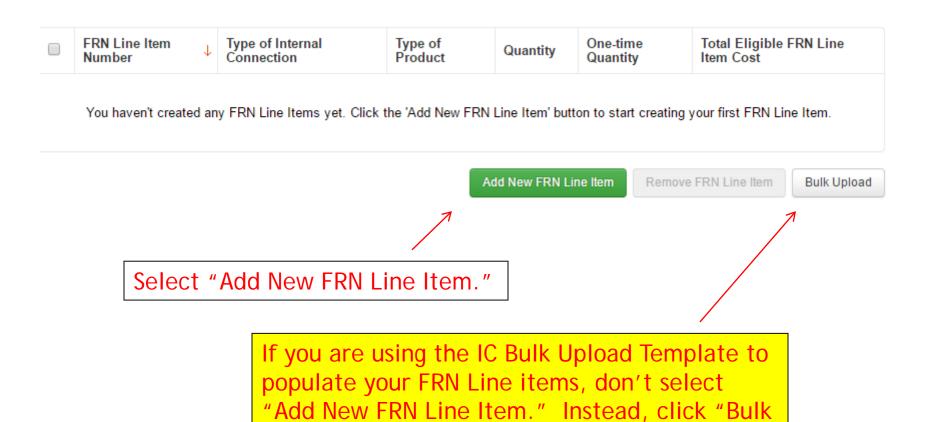
To create or update specific FRN Line Item(s), please click on the FRN number hyperlink.



This is the Main FRN Page. The next step is to add an FRN Line Item(s).

Click the blue FRN number to add an FRN Line Item which will provide additional details and costs for this funding request.

#### Adding a FRN Line Item - WAPs



Upload." See the Bulk Upload Guide, starting

on Page 103 of this guide.

## Adding a Line Item – Type of IC

#### Type of Internal Connection @\*

Wireless Data Distribution

The choices for 'Type of Internal Connections' are:

- Cabling/Connectors
- Caching
- Data Distribution
- Data Protection
- Racks
- Software
- Wireless Data Distribution
- Miscellaneous (installation/training/taxes)

## Adding a Line Item – Type of Product

## Type of Product\* Access Point

The "Type of Product" choices change depending on the Type of IC was selected. Generally, here are the options:

If This Type of Internal Connection	Then These Are the Options for Type of Product
Cabling/Connectors	Cabling/Connectors
Caching	Caching Service, Equipment
Data Distribution	Routers, Switches
Data Protection	Firewall, UPS
Racks	Racks/Cabinets
Software	Operating System Software
Wireless Data Distribution	WAPS, Antenna, Controllers
Miscellaneous	Installation, Training and Taxes

## Listing Make/Model Number



The "Make" is the manufacturer's name and there is a long list to choose from. Use "Other" if your manufacturer isn't listed, and then enter the name.

The "Model" should be the manufacturer's SKU or Model Number - <u>not a description.</u>

## Installation/Leasing Questions

#### Installation Included in Price?



If this is an installation line item, select "Yes." However, if installation is not included or if installation is listed on a separate line item, select "No."

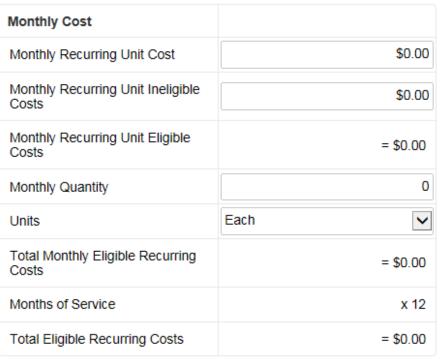
#### Is the hardware for this FRN Line Item leased?

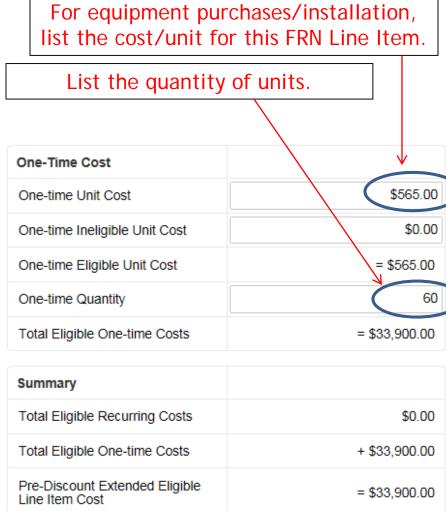


If you are leasing the equipment, as opposed to purchasing it, select "Yes."
The most common answer will be "No."

## **Entering Unit Costs/Quantity**

If this line item is for equipment purchases, enter \$0's in the monthly recurring cost column.





## Identifying Recipients of Equipment for this Line Item

# Manage Recipients of Service Is every entity for this organization receiving service? Yes No ✓ All Entities Search by BEN Please select the organizations you wish to include as recipients of service for this Fileston

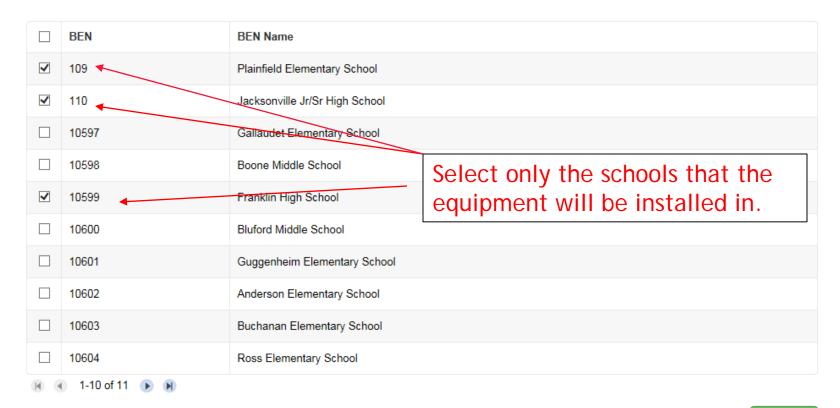
entering the district or system entity number in the field above

Select "Yes" if all buildings are receiving equipment or sharing equipment. Select "No" if only some buildings are receiving/using the equipment.

	BEN	BEN Name
✓	109	Plainfield Elementary School
<b>✓</b>	110	Jacksonville Jr/Sr High School
	10597	Gallaudet Elementary School
	10598	Boone Middle School
<b>✓</b>	10599	Franklin High School

If you select "No," you are then prompted to select/check the buildings receiving the service and click "Add."

## Identify Which Schools Receive Equipment



Add

## Confirm Recipients of Equipment



## Important Question!!!

## Identifying Recipients of Equipment/Service

Are the costs shared equally among all of the entities?



If you answer "Yes" the system will split the costs of this line item equally among the schools identified. Unless the quantities are identical per school, do <u>not</u> want to choose this option. Instead, select "No" and the system will allow you to enter the appropriate costs per school.

## **Allocating Costs/School**

You must now allocate the costs for each school that was selected as a recipient of the equipment. The amounts allocated to the schools must add up to the total amount of the line item.

#### Edit Eligible Cost Allocated to the Recipient(s)

1. Plainfield Elementary School (BEN: 109)

\$5,650.00

2. Jacksonville Jr/Sr High School (BEN: 110)

\$11,300.00

3. Franklin High School (BEN: 10599)

\$16,950.00

Note: The system never asks for the quantity by school. It asks for the total quantity by Line Item, and then the total cost by school. You must do the math offline to calculate the costs per school.

Offline Math:	# WAPs	Cost/WAP	Cost/School
Plainfield Elem	10	\$565	\$5650.00
Jacksonville JrHs	15	\$565	\$11,300.00
Franklin HS	30	\$565	\$ 16,950.00
	60		<b>√</b> \$33,900.00

The total here should equal the total prediscount amount for the line item.

## Balancing to \$0.00

After you have entered the amounts/building, the "amount remaining" should balance out to \$0.00.

- If the remaining cost is just a few cents, it's likely due to a rounding issue, and you should return to the previous screen and add or subtract a few pennies from one of the allocations.
- If the remaining cost is more than a few cents, it's because there is an error in your offline math and you should double-check your figures and click on Edit Eligible Cost to make corrections.

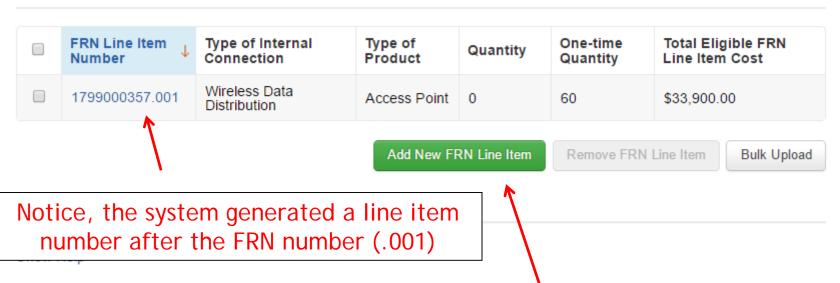
Please allocate the remaining Total Eligible Line Item Cost of \$0.00 to the entity(ies) below. Select the entity(ies) in the grid below and then click the Edit Eligible Cost button to edit the eligible cost allocated to each BEN. Please note, you can also select the checkbox in the upper lefthand colorer of the grid to select all entities on the current page of the grid.

BEN	Name ↑	Eligible Cost per BEN	
10599	Franklin High School	\$16,950.00	
110	Jacksonville Jr/Sr High School	\$5,650.00	
109	Plainfield Elementary School	\$11,300.00	\.

Edit Eligible Cost

# FRN Line Item Page: Adding an Additional FRN Line Item

#### FRN Line Items for FRN #1799000357 - Wireless - Ruckus - Vendor AAA



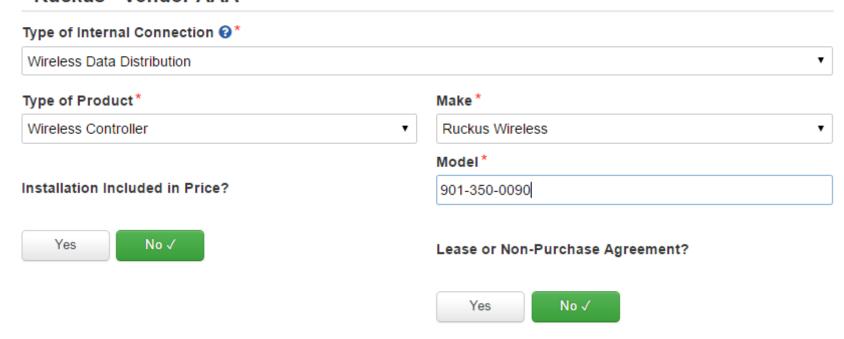
If you have more line items for this FRN, click here to add an additional FRN Line Item. We will add a new FRN Line Item in this example to add the Wireless Controller to the FRN.

If you have entered all of your FRN Line Items/Costs, click "Continue" to return to the main FRN page.

Continue

## Adding a Wireless Controller Line Item

## Product and Service Details for new FRN Line Item for FRN #1799000357 - Wireless - Ruckus - Vendor AAA



For a wireless controller, we selected "Wireless Data Distribution," then "Wireless Controller." Then the manufacturer was selected for the "Make" and the model number was entered.

## **Entering Unit Costs/Quantity**

If this line item is for equipment purchases, enter \$0's in the monthly recurring cost column.

For equipment purchases/installation, list the cost/unit for this FRN Line Item.

List the unit quantity.

Cost Calculation for new FRN Line Item for FRN #1799000357 - Wireless - Ruckus - Vendor AAA

Monthly Cost	
Monthly Recurring Unit Cost	\$0.00
Monthly Recurring Unit Ineligible Costs	\$0.00
Monthly Recurring Unit Eligible Costs	= \$0.00
Monthly Quantity	0
Units	Each \$
Total Monthly Eligible Recurring Costs	= \$0.00
Months of Service	x 12
Total Eligible Recurring Costs	= \$0.00

One-Time Cost	
One-time Unit Cost	\$30,000.00
One-time Ineligible Unit Cost	\$0.00
One-time Eligible Unit Cost	= \$30,000.00
One-time Quantity	1
Total Eligible One-time Costs	= \$30,000.00

Summary	
Total Eligible Recurring Costs	\$0.00
Total Eligible One-time Costs	+ \$30,000.00
Pre-Discount Extended Eligible Line Item Cost	= \$30,000.00

# Identifying Recipients of Equipment for this Line Item

Manage Recipients of Service				
Is every entity	for this organization receiving service?			
Yes	No ✓			
All Entities	S			
Search by BE	N			
Please select the	e organizations you wish to include as recipients of service for this FI			

entering the district or system entity number in the field above

Select "Yes" if all buildings are receiving equipment or sharing equipment. Select "No" if only some buildings are receiving/using the equipment.

	BEN	BEN Name
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<b>✓</b>	110	Jacksonville Jr/Sr High School
	10597	Gallaudet Elementary School
	10598	Boone Middle School
✓	10599	Franklin High School

If you select "No," you are then prompted to select/check the buildings receiving the service and click "Add."

## Confirming Recipients of Equipment

Please allocate the remaining Total Eligible Line Item Cost of \$30,000.00 to the entity(ies) below. Select the entity(ies) in the grid below and then click the Edit Eligible Cost button to edit the eligible cost allocated to each SEN. Please note, you can also select the checkbox in the upper lefthand corner of the grid to select all entities on the current page of the grid.

✓	BEN	Name	Eligible Cost per BEN
✓	10599	Franklin High School	
✓	110	Jacksonville Jr/Sr High School	
✓	109	Plainfield Elementary School	

This is the total amount of this FRN Line Item that must be allocated among these entities. Click "Edit Eligible Cost" to provide the amount to be allocated to each entity.

Edit Eligible Cost

## Important Question!!!

## Identifying Recipients of Equipment/Service

Are the costs shared equally among all of the entities?



If you answer "Yes" the system will split the costs of this line item equally among the entities chosen. For equipment that is shared among multiple schools, you likely want to select "No" and then do a weighted allocation, based on your own offline-math.

## Weighted Allocation for Shared Equipment

- 3 options for weighted allocations:
  - By % of enrollment



- Take total enrollment for all schools being served by equipment
- Divide school enrollment by total enrollment to obtain % enrollment for that school
- Multiple school % enrollment by total cost of equipment
- By % usage



Another method that you develop that is defendable/logical

	Enrollment	% Enrollment	% Enrollment x Cost of Shared Equipment	
Plainfield Elem	225	0.21	\$	6,355.93
Jacksonville JrHS	256	0.24	\$	7,231.64
Franklin HS	581	0.55	\$	16,412.43
	1062		\$	30,000.00

	# of WAPs in School	% WAP Usage	% WAP Usage x Total Cost of Shared Equipment	
Plainfield Elem	55	0.23	\$	7,021.28
Jacksonville JrHs	65	0.28	\$	8,297.87
Franklin HS	115	0.49	\$	14,680.85
	235		\$	30,000.00

## Allocation of Costs Per School by % Enrollment

You must now allocate the costs for each recipient/user of equipment to match the line item total.

#### Edit Eligible Cost Allocated to the Recipient(s)

1. Plainfield Elementary School (BEN: 109)

\$6,355.93

2. Jacksonville Jr/Sr High School (BEN: 110)

\$7,231.64

3. Franklin High School (BEN: 10599)

\$16,412.43

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	10599	Franklin High School	\$16,412.43	
	110	Jacksonville Jr/Sr High School	\$7,231.64	
	109	Plainfield Elementary School	\$6,355.93	

Edit Eligible Cost

# FRN Line Item Page: Adding an Additional FRN Line Item

#### FRN Line Items for FRN #1799000357 - Wireless - Ruckus - Vendor AAA

FRN Line Item Number	Type of Internal Connection	Type of Product	Quantity	One-time Quantity	Total Eligible FRN Line Item Cost
1799000357.002	Wireless Data Distribution	Wireless Controller	0	1	\$30,000.00
1799000357.001	Wireless Data Distribution	Access Point	0	60	\$33,900.00
Add New FRN Line Item Remove FRN Line Item Bulk Upload					

Notice, the system generated a line item number after the FRN number (.001 and .002)

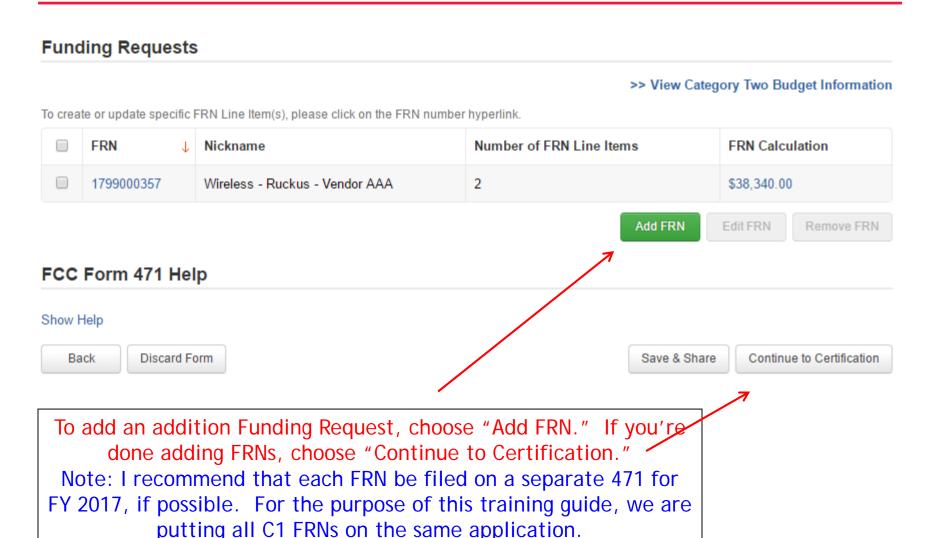
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Continue

If you have entered all of your FRN Line Items/Costs, click "Continue" to return to the main FRN page.

## Main FRN Page: Adding Another FRN



# Example 2: Network Switches FRN

(Site specific equipment)

## FRN Example 2: Switching Equipment

#### Assumptions:

- Contracted service (all C2 must be contracted)
  - Try to have your contract term be: 4/1/2017 (or the contract signing date, whichever is later) through 9/30/2018
  - Use these dates on your FRN
- 1 FRN line item
- 3 schools receiving equipment
- No shared equipment
- Equipment at each school
  - Jacksonville School 5 @ \$1350 = \$6750
  - Plainfield School 5 @ 1350 = \$6750
  - Franklin School 14 @ \$1350 = \$18,900
  - TOTAL: \$32,400
  - Quantity Total: 24

Note: Many switches contain several modules that each requires its own line item. For the sake of brevity, we're just using one of those modules in this example.

## Main FRN Page

#### **Funding Requests**

>> View Category Two Budget Information

Edit FRN

Remove FRN

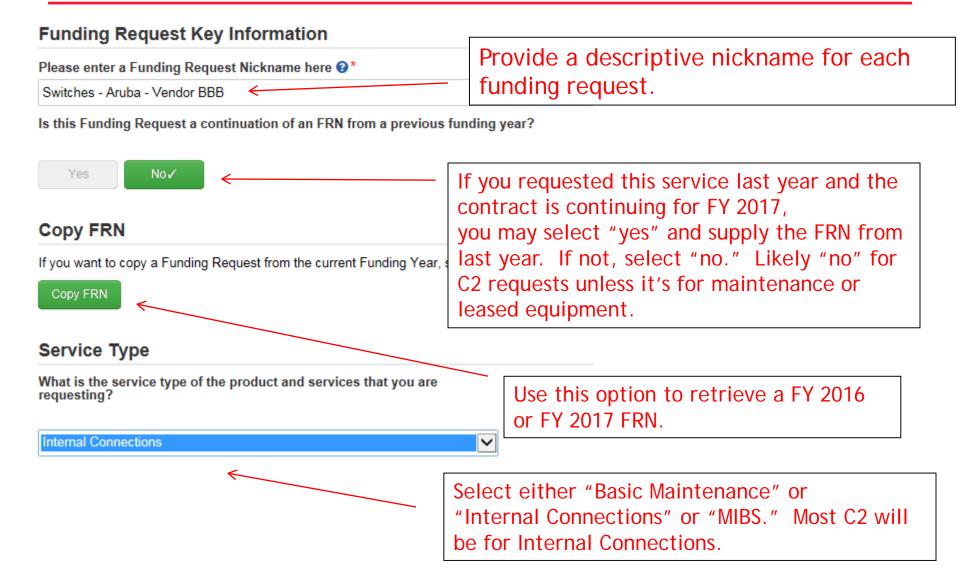
To create or update specific FRN Line Item(s), please click on the FRN number hyperlink.

	RN ↓	Nickname	Number of FRN Line Items	FRN Calculation
<b>17</b> 9	799000357	Wireless - Ruckus - Vendor AAA	2	\$38,340.00



Click "Add FRN" to add an additional Category 2 FRN.

## **Funding Request Key Information**



### Contract vs. MTM

#### **FRN Contract**

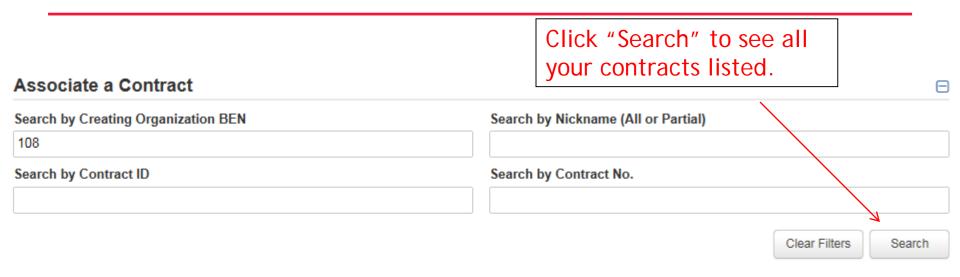
#### How are the services for this FRN being purchased?

Contract information is stored in your Profile; you can add a new Contract at any time. Details about your Tariff and Month-to-Month services will be entered in your FRN.



Select "Contract" for all Category 2 funding requests.

## Linking to a Contract



Since "Contract" was selected on the previous screen, enter a search criteria to search for all of the contracts you have entered in the EPC Contract Module.

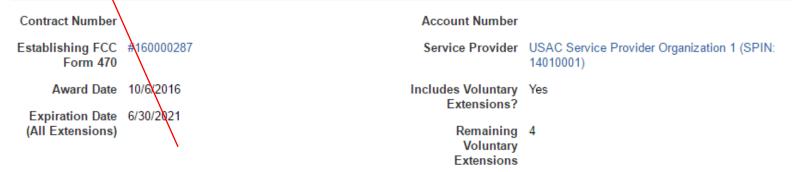
You <u>must</u> have your contracts entered in your EPC portal in order for this to work. (However, you are <u>not</u> required to upload the <u>actual</u> contract into EPC.)

If you still need to enter your contracts, from your Landing Page, select your District name and "Contracts" from the menu on the left.

## **Choosing the Appropriate Contract**

	Contract ID	Contract Number	Nickname	Award ↑	Creating Organization BEN
	625		2016 - Ruckus Wireless - Vendor AAA Contract	3/14/2016	108
	2625		FY 2017 - HP Switches HS - ePlus	10/6/2016	108
	4386		2017 - Voice - Frontier	2/1/2017	108
	4132		2017 - internet - comcast	2/6/2017	108
	438V		2017 - Structured Cabling - Gator Networking	3/1/2017	108
<b>H</b>	11-15 of 17	▶ N			

#### Contract Summary - FY 2017 - HP Switches HS - ePlus



After clicking "Search," you will see all of the contracts you entered in EPC. Select the correct contract that should be linked to this funding request.

## **Entering Service Start and Contract Expiration Dates**

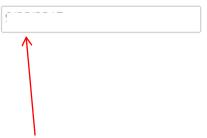
#### **Contract Information (Additional)**

What is the service start date?\*

Enter the date when services will start in this Funding Year (e.g., July 1, 2016).

Service Start Date:
The system will automatically enter 7/1/2017 as SSD.
Change this to 4/1/2017 or the date you signed your contract, whichever is later.
This will allow you to purchase equipment anytime after April 1, 2017.

What is the date your contract expires for the current term of the contract? 2\*



Contract Expiration Date:
You will need enter the CED for this contract, which is likely 9/30/2018 for Category 2 equipment contracts.

## **FRN Narrative Box**

#### **Narrative**

Provide a brief explanation of the products and services that you are requesting, or provide any other relevant information regarding this Funding Request. You should also use this field to describe any updates to your entity data, such as revised student counts, entity relationships, etc, that you were unable to make after the close of the Administrative filing window for profile updates. These changes will be addressed during the application review process.\*

Click the "Save & Continue" button to complete this step of the FRN creation process. On the next screen, click on the FRN number that was just created to begin adding FRN Line Items and the associated Recipients of Service. If you wish to start another FRN without adding FRN Line Items, click the "Add FRN" button.

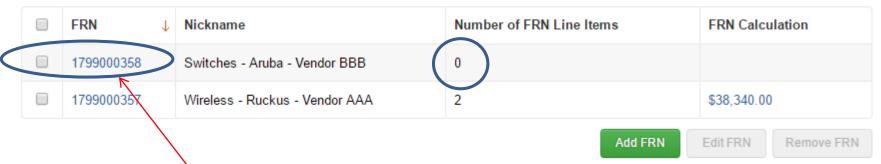
Provide a brief narrative that will give enough details so your PIA reviewer understands the services you are requesting. Something like, "Switching components that will be located in 3 schools."

## Adding an FRN Line Item

#### Funding Requests

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To create or update specific FRN Line Item(s), please click on the FRN number hyperlink.



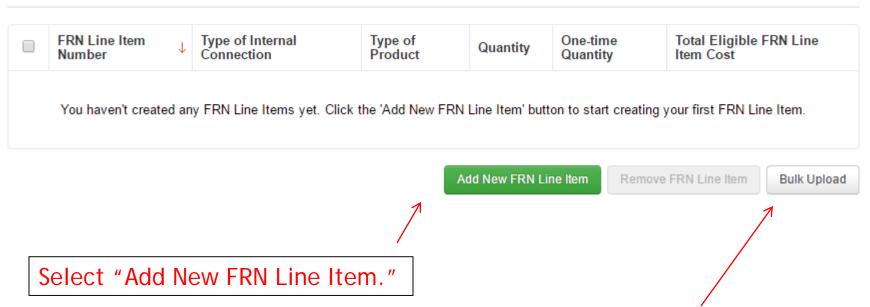
This is the Main FRN Page. The next step is to add an FRN Line Item(s).

Click the blue FRN number to add an FRN Line Item which will provide additional details and costs for this funding request.

Hint: Do <u>NOT</u> select "Add FRN that is highlighted in green" if you want to add Line Items to a particular FRN.

## Adding FRN Line Item

#### FRN Line Items for FRN #1799000358 - Switches - Aruba - Vendor BBB



If you are using the IC Bulk Upload Template to populate your FRN Line items, don't select "Add New FRN Line Item." Instead, click "Bulk Upload." See the Bulk Upload Guide, starting on Page 103 of this guide.

## Identifying Type of Product



Depending on the Type of Internal Connection selected, the Type of Product will be:

If This Type of Internal Connection	Then These Are the Options for Type of Product:		
Cabling/Connectors	Cabling/Connectors		
Caching	Caching Service, Equipment		
Data Distribution	Routers, Switches		
Data Protection	Firewall, UPS		
Racks	Racks/Cabinets		
Software	Operating System Software		
Wireless Data Distribution	WAPS, Antenna, Controllers		
Miscellaneous	Installation, Training and Taxes		

## Listing Make/Model Number



The "Make" is the manufacturer's name and there is a long list to choose from. Use "Other" if your manufacturer isn't listed, and then enter the name.

The "Model" should be the manufacturer's SKU or Model Number - <u>not a description.</u>

## Installation/Leasing Questions

#### Installation Included in Price?



If this is an installation line item, select "Yes." However, if installation is not included or if it is listed on a separate line item, select "No."

#### Is the hardware for this FRN Line Item leased?



If you are leasing the equipment, as opposed to purchasing it, select "Yes."

The most common answer will be "No."

## **Entering Unit Costs/Quantity**

If this line item is for equipment <u>purchases</u>, enter \$0's in the monthly recurring cost column.

For equipment purchases/installation, list the cost/unit for this FRN Line Item.

List the quantity of units.

#### Cost Calculation for FRN Line Item #1799000358.001

Monthly Cost	<b>↓ ↓</b>
Monthly Recurring Unit Cost	\$0.00
Monthly Recurring Unit Ineligible Costs	\$0.00
Monthly Recurring Unit Eligible Costs	= \$0.00
Monthly Quantity	0
Units	Each \$
Total Monthly Eligible Recurring Costs	= \$0.00
Months of Service	x 12
Total Eligible Recurring Costs	= \$0.00
Total Monthly Eligible Recurring Costs Months of Service	= \$0.00 x 12

One-Time Cost	V
One-time Unit Cost	\$1,350.00
One-time Ineligible Unit Cost	\$0.00
One-time Eligible Unit Cost	\$1,350.00
One-time Quantity	24
Total Eligible One-time Costs	= \$32,400.00

Summary	
Total Eligible Recurring Costs	\$0.00
Total Eligible One-time Costs	+ \$32,400.00
Pre-Discount Extended Eligible Line Item Cost	= \$32,400.00 65

# Identifying Recipients of Equipment for this Line Item

# Manage Recipients of Service Is every entity for this organization receiving service? Yes No ✓ All Entities Search by BEN Please select the organizations you wish to include as recipients of service for this Fileston

entering the district or system entity number in the field above

Select "Yes" if all buildings are receiving equipment or sharing equipment. Select "No" if only some buildings are receiving/using the equipment.

	BEN	BEN Name
<b>✓</b>	109	Plainfield Elementary School
<b>✓</b>	110	Jacksonville Jr/Sr High School
	10597	Gallaudet Elementary School
	10598	Boone Middle School
<b>✓</b>	10599	Franklin High School

If you select "No," you are then prompted to select/check the buildings receiving the service and click "Add."

# Confirming Recipients of Equipment for this Line Item

#### **Selected Entities**

BEN	BEN Name
109	Plainfield Elementary School
110	Jacksonville Jr/Sr High School
10599	Franklin High School

Remove

This page summarizes action of previous page.

## Important Question!!!

## Identifying Recipients of Equipment/Service

Are the costs shared equally among all of the entities?



If you answer "Yes" the system will split the costs of this line item equally among the recipients identified. Unless the quantities are identical per school, you do not want to choose this option. Instead, select "No" and the system will allow you to enter the appropriate cost per school.

## Allocating Costs/School

You must now allocate the costs for each recipient/user of equipment to match this \$ amount.

#### Edit Eligible Cost Allocated to the Recipient(s)

1. Plainfield Elementary School (BEN: 109)

2. Jacksonville Jr/Sr High School (BEN: 110)

\$6,750.00

\$6,750.00

3. Franklin High School (BEN: 10599)

\$18,900.00

Note: The system never asks for the quantity by school. It asks for the total quantity by Line Item, and then the total cost by school. You must do the math offline.

Offline Math:	# Switch Modules	Cost/Module	C	Cost/School
Plainfield Elem	5	\$1,350	\$	6,750.00
Jacksonville JrHs	5	\$1,350	\$	6,750.00
Franklin HS	14	\$1,350	\$	18,900.00
	24		\$	<b>32,400.00</b>

The total here should equal the total prediscount amount for the line item.

## Balancing to \$0.00

After you have entered the amounts/building, the "amount remaining" should balance out to \$0.00.

- If the remaining cost is just a few cents, it's likely due to a rounding issue, and you should return to the previous screen and add or subtract a few pennies from one of the allocations.
- If the remaining cost is more than a few cents, it's because there is an error in your offline math and you should double-check your figures and click on Edit Eligible Cost to make corrections.

#### Recipients of Service for FRN Line Item #1699000690.001

Please allocate the remaining Total Eligible Line Item Cos of \$0.00 to be entity(ies) below. Select the entity(ies) in the grid below and then click the Edit Eligible Cost button to edit the eligible cost allocated to each BEN. Please note, you can also select the checkbox in the upper lefthand corner of the grid to select all entities on the current page of the grid.

BEN	Name ↑	Eligible Cost per BEN	
10599	Franklin High School	\$18,900.00	
110	Jacksonville Jr/Sr High School	\$6,750.00	
109	Plainfield Elementary School	\$6,750.00	<b>1</b>

Edit Eligible Cos

# FRN Line Item Page: Adding an Additional FRN Line Item

#### FRN Line Items for FRN #1799000358 - Switches - Aruba - Vendor BBB

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	FRN Line Item Number	Type of Internal Connection	Type of Product	Quantity	One-time Quantity	Total Eligible FRN Line Item Cost	
	1799000358.001	Data Distribution	Switch	0	24	\$32,400.00	
FCC	Add New FRN Line Item Remove FRN Line Item Bulk Upload  FCC Form 471 Help						

If you have more line items for this FRN, click here to add an additional FRN Line Item.

If you have entered all of your FRN Line Items/Costs, click "Continue" to return to the main FRN page.

Continue

Save & Share

## Main FRN Page: Adding Another FRN

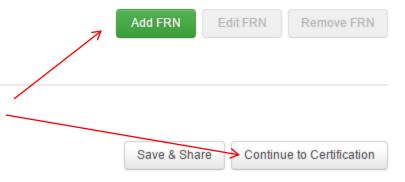
#### **Funding Requests**

>> View Category Two Budget Information

To create or update specific FRN Line Item(s), please click on the FRN number hyperlink.

FRN ↓	Nickname	Number of FRN Line Items	FRN Calculation
1799000358	Switches - Aruba - Vendor BBB	1	\$19,440.00
1799000357	Wireless - Ruckus - Vendor AAA	2	\$38,340.00

To add an addition Funding Request, choose "Add FRN." If you're done adding FRNs, choose "Continue to Certification."



# Example 3: Structured Cabling

(Site specific service/equipment)

## FRN Example 3: Structured Cabling

## Assumptions:

- Contracted service (all C2 must be contracted)
  - Try to have your contract term be: 4/1/2017 (or the contract signing date, whichever is later) through 9/30/2018
  - Use these dates on your FRN
- 1 FRN line item
- 1 school receiving structured cabling
  - Franklin School \$35,700
- Do not list individual connectors, cables, widgets
  - Try to have your vendor contract be for a single cost per drop and not broken out by individual widget.

## Main FRN Page: Adding Another FRN

#### **Funding Requests**

>> View Category Two Budget Information

To create or update specific FRN Line Item(s), please click on the FRN number hyperlink.

FRN ↓	Nickname	Number of FRN Line Items	FRN Calculation
1799000358	Switches - Aruba - Vendor BBB	1	\$19,440.00
1799000357	Wireless - Ruckus - Vendor AAA	2	\$38,340.00

Add FRN Edit FRN Remove FRN

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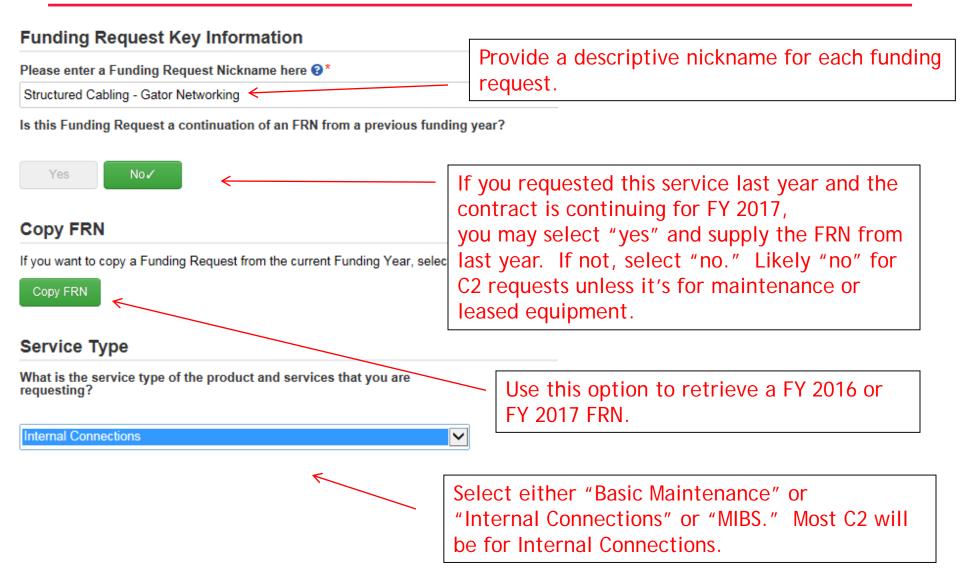
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To add an addition Funding Request, choose "Add FRN."

## **Funding Request Key Information**



### Contract vs. MTM

#### **FRN Contract**

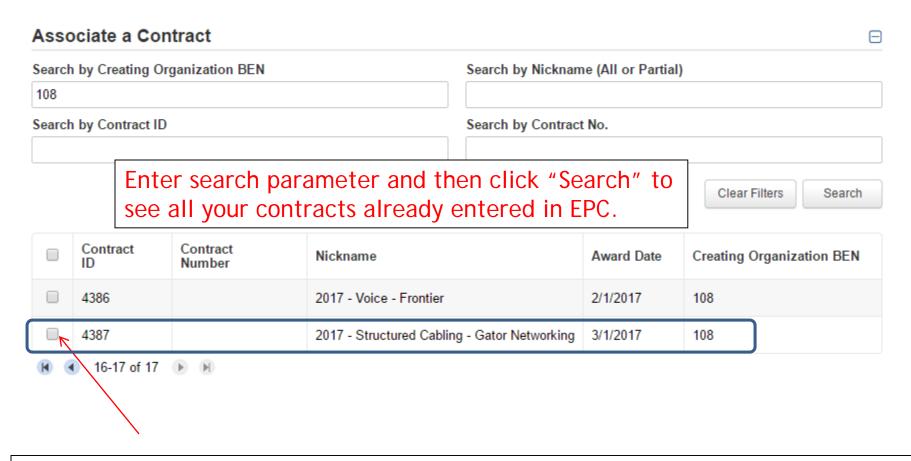
#### How are the services for this FRN being purchased?

Contract information is stored in your Profile; you can add a new Contract at any time. Details about your Tariff and Month-to-Month services will be entered in your FRN.



Select "Contract" for all Category 2 funding requests.

## Linking to a Contract



After clicking "Search," you will see all of the contracts you entered in EPC. Select the correct contract that should be linked to this funding request.

## **Entering Service Start and Contract Expiration Dates**

#### Contract Information (Additional)

What is the service start date?\*

Enter the date when services will start in this Funding Year (e.g., July 1, 2016).

Service Start Date:
The system will automatically enter 7/1/2017 as SSD.
Change this to 4/1/2017 or the date you signed your contract, whichever is later.
This will allow you to purchase equipment anytime after April 1, 2017.

What is the date your contract expires for the current term of the contract? \*

Contract Expiration Date:
You will need enter the CED for this contract, which is likely 9/30/2018 for Category 2 equipment contracts.

### **FRN Narrative Box**

#### **Narrative**

Provide a brief explanation of the products and services that you are requesting or provide any other relevant information regarding this Funding Request\*

This FRN is for structured cabling for the Franklin High School. Vendor will provide fiber cabling from wireless access points back to closest network closet. This is a flat-rate contract, with all cabling and component costs included with the installation service.

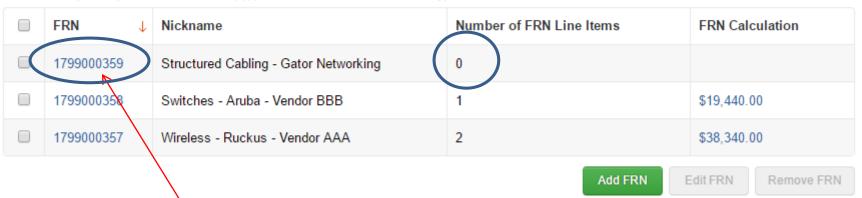
Provide a brief narrative that will give enough details so your PIA reviewer understands the services you are requesting. Something like, "FRN is for structured cabling for the Franklin High School. Vendor will provide fiber cabling from wireless access points back to closest network closet. This is a flat-rate contract, with all cabling and components costs included with the above service."

## Adding an FRN Line Item

#### **Funding Requests**

>> View Category Two Budget Information

To create or update specific FRN Line Item(s), please click on the FRN number hyperlink.



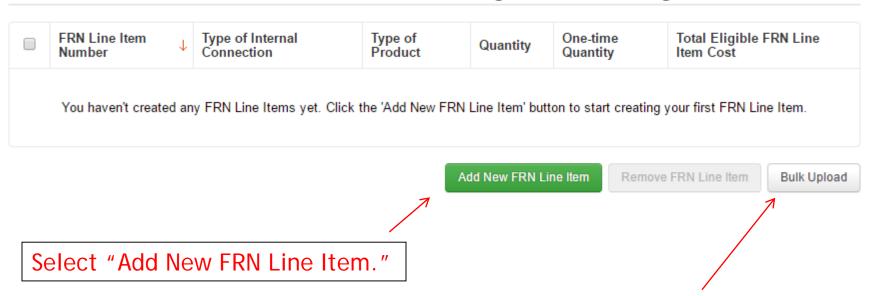
This is the Main FRN Page. The next step is to add an FRN Line Item(s).

Click the blue FRN number to add an FRN Line Item which will provide additional details and costs for this funding request.

Hint: Do <u>NOT</u> select "Add FRN that is highlighted in green" if you want to add Line Items to a particular FRN.

## Adding FRN Line Item

#### FRN Line Items for FRN #1799000359 - Structured Cabling - Gator Networking



If you are using the IC Bulk Upload Template to populate your FRN Line items, don't select "Add New FRN Line Item." Instead, click "Bulk Upload." See the Bulk Upload Guide, starting on Page 103 of this guide.

## Identifying Type of Product

Type of Internal Connection 2*	
Cabling/Connectors	
Type of Product*	
Cabling	~

Depending on the Type of Internal Connection selected, the Type of Product will be:

If This Type of Internal Connection	Then These Are the Options for Type of Product:		
Cabling/Connectors	Cabling, Connectors		
Caching	Caching Service, Equipment		
Data Distribution	Routers, Switches		
Data Protection	Firewall, UPS		
Racks	Racks/Cabinets		
Software	Operating System Software		
Wireless Data Distribution	WAPS, Antenna, Controllers		
Miscellaneous	Installation, Training and Taxes		

## Listing Make/Model Number



For structured cabling FRNs, you can apply several ways.

For example, you can enter two line items - one with the cabling and one with the installation.

Enter Make and Model of the cabling.

If the contract contains a fixed price inclusive of all components, enter the vendor's name as the Make and "Structured Cabling" as the Model.

## Installation/Leasing Questions

#### Installation Included in Price?



If installation is included in the cost, select "Yes." However, if installation is not included or if it is listed on a separate line item, select "No."

#### Is the hardware for this FRN Line Item leased?



If you are leasing the equipment, as opposed to purchasing it, select "Yes."
The most common answer will be "No."

## **Entering Unit Costs/Quantity**

If this line item is for equipment purchases, enter \$0's in the monthly recurring cost column.

**Enter Unit Cost and Quantity** 

Cost Calculation for new FRN Line Item for FRN #1799000359 - Structured Cabling - Gator Networking

\$0.00
\$0.00
= \$0.00
0
Each \$
= \$0.00
x 12
= \$0.00

One-Time Cost	
One-time Unit Cost	\$35,700.00
One-time Ineligible Unit Cost	\$0.00
One-time Eligible Unit Cost	= \$35,700.00
One-time Quantity	1
Total Eligible One-time Costs	= \$35,700.00
Summary	
Total Eligible Recurring Costs	\$0.00
Total Eligible One-time Costs	+ \$35,700.00
Pre-Discount Extended Eligible Line Item Cost	= \$35,7@600

## Identifying Recipients of Equipment for this Line Item

# Manage Recipients of Service Is every entity for this organization receiving service? Yes No All Entities Search by BEN

Please select the organizations you wish to include as recipients of service for or library system by entering the district or system entity number in the field at

Select "Yes" if all buildings are receiving equipment or sharing equipment. Select "No" if only some buildings are receiving/using the equipment.

	BEN	BEN Name
	109	Plainfield Elementary School
	110	Jacksonville Jr/Sr High School
	10597	Gallaudet Elementary School
	10598	Boone Middle School
<b>✓</b>	10599	Franklin High School

If you select "No," you are then prompted to select/check the buildings receiving the service and click "Add." In this example, only Franklin HS is being wired.

## Identifying Recipient of Equipment/Service

#### Selected Entities



Are the costs shared equally among all of the entities?



If only one school is receiving the equipment/service, you can answer "Yes" and the system will assign all of the costs to that building.

# FRN Line Item Page: Adding an Additional FRN Line Item

#### FRN Line Items for FRN #1699000691 - Structured Cabling - Gator Networking Total Eligible FRN FRN Line Item Type of Internal Type of One-time Quantity Connection Number Product Quantity Line Item Cost Cabling/Connectors 1699000691.001 Cabling 0 \$35,700.00



If you have more line items for this FRN, click here to add an additional FRN Line Item.

If you have entered all of your FRN Line Items/Costs, click "Continue" to return to the main FRN page.

## Main FRN Page – Review FRN Calculations

#### **Funding Requests**

To create or update specific FRN Line Item(s), please click on the FRN number hyperlink.

>> View Category Two Budget Information

Add FRN

FRN Calculation FRN Number of FRN Line Items Nickname 1799000359 Structured Cabling - Gator Networking 1 \$21,420.00 Switches - Aruba - Vendor BBB 1 \$19,440.00 1799000358 \$38.340.00 1799000357 Wireless - Ruckus - Vendor AAA 2

Before finishing your application, be sure to click on each "FRN Calculation" to be sure it contains accurate information and requests enough funding.

To edit any <u>FRN Line Items</u>, click on the <u>blue FRN number to see the list of line items</u>.

To edit the <u>FRN Key Information</u>, click on the box next to the FRN, and then select "Edit FRN."

Remove FRN

## Finished Adding FRNs?

#### **Funding Requests**

Note: The "View Category Two Budget Information" <u>link does not work.</u>

>> View Category Two Budget Information

To create or update specific FRN Line Item(s), please click on the FRN number hyperlink.

FRN ↓	Nickname	Number of FRN Line Items	FRN Calculation
1799000359	Structured Cabling - Gator Networking	1	\$21,420.00
1799000358	Switches - Aruba - Vendor BBB	1	\$19,440.00
1799000357	Wireless - Ruckus - Vendor AAA	2	\$38,340.00

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If you're finished adding FRNs and have checked your calculations, click "Continue to Certification."

## **Connectivity Questions Responses**

#### District/System-wide Internet Access Questions

Does your school district currently aggregate Internet access for the entire district (as opposed to buying Internet access on a building-by-building basis)?

Yes

Download Speed

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Upload Speed

500

Download Speed Units

Mbps

Upload Speed Units

Mbps

#### Per-Entity Basis Questions

Entity Name
BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL DISTRICT - PARENT ENTITY

**Entity Number** 

108

Entity Name	BEN	Download	Units	Upload	Units	Connection	Wifi Sufficient	Barriers to Robust Network
Plainfield Elementary School	109	100	Mbps	100	Mbps	Fiber	Mostly	Physical structure or layout of building(s)
Jacksonville Jr/Sr High School	110	1	Gbps	1	Gbps	Fiber	Sometimes	Installation too costly
Gallaudet Elementary School	10597	1	Gbps	1	Gbps	Fiber	Completely	No barriers
Boone Middle School	10598	1	Gbps	1	Gbps	Fiber	Completely	No barriers
Franklin High School	10599	1	Gbps	1	Gbps	Fiber	Completely	No barriers
Bluford Middle School	10600	1	Gbps	1	Gbps	Fiber	Completely	No barriers
Guggenheim Elementary School	10601	1	Gbps	1	Gbps	Fiber	Completely	No barriers

The system will next show the answers you provided in the Connectivity Module in EPC. To complete or edit this information, return to the District's Lightning Bolt Page (Related Actions Page) in EPC.

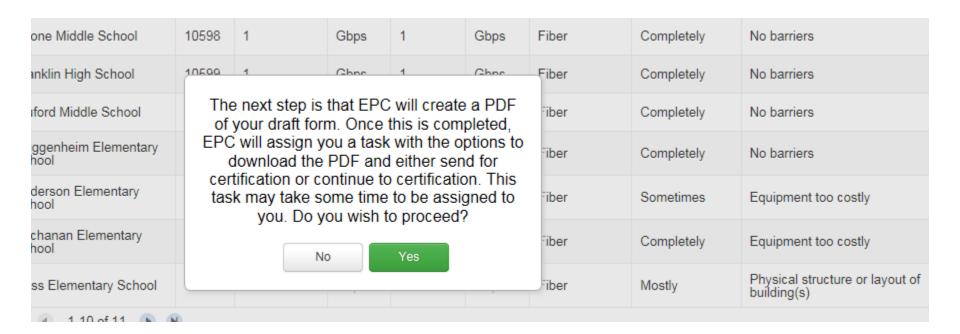
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Select "Review FCC Form 471."

## Creating the Draft Form PDF



Select "Yes" and in about 30 seconds, the system will send a "Task" to your EPC account as well as an e-mail notifying you that the Task has been created.

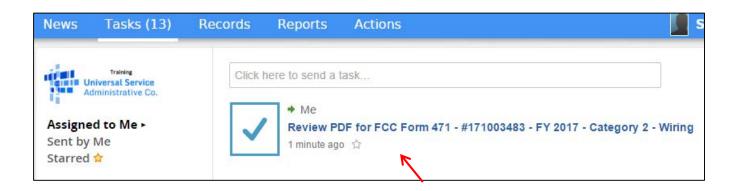
## Where to See the Draft Form PDF Task

To find the PDF of your Draft Form 471, click on "Tasks" or from the Task Bar in your Landing Page.



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## Click on Review PDF Task



Find the link for your draft 471 PDF in your Task Bar.

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- If you need to make edits, click "Edit Form" to re-enter the form.
- If you are ready to submit the form, check the box and "Continue to Certification."

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## **Certification Page**

Read and check all of the certification boxes on this page.

#### **Applicant Certifications**

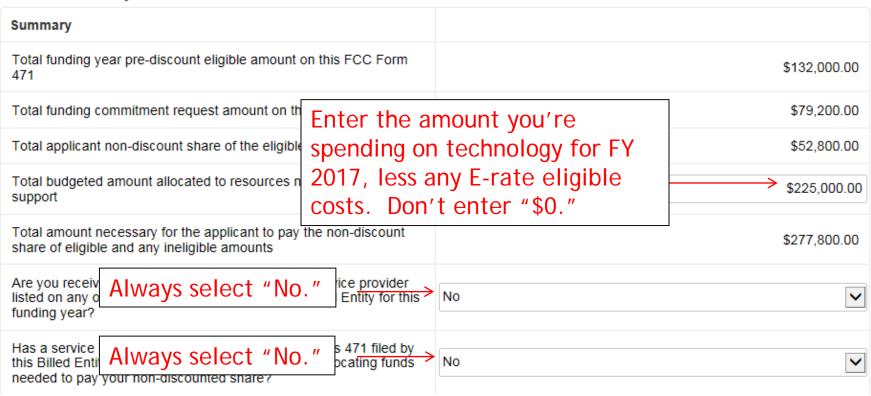
✓ I certify that the entities listed in this application are eligible for support because they are schools under the statutory definitions of elementary and secondary schools found in the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, 20 U.S.C. §§ 7801(18) and (38), that do not operate as for-profit businesses and do not have endowments exceeding \$50 million.

I certify that the entity I represent or the entities listed on this application have secured access, separately or through this program, to all of the resources, including computers, training, software, internal connections, maintenance, and electrical capacity, necessary to use the services purchased effectively. I recognize that some of the aforementioned resources are not eligible for support. I certify that the entities I represent or the entities listed on this application have secured access to all of the resources to pay the discounted charges for eligible services from funds to which access has been secured in the current funding year. I certify that the Billed Entity will pay the non-discount portion of the cost of the goods and services to the service provider(s).

## **Certification Page**

#### Total Funding Summary

Below is a summary of the total line item costs on this FCC Form 471:



## **Certification Page**

I certify an FCC Form 470 was posted and that any related RFP was made available for at least 28 days before considering all bids received and selecting a service provider. I certify that all bids submitted were carefully considered and the most cost-effective service offering was selected, with price being the primary factor considered, and is the most cost-effective means of meeting educational needs and technology goals.

I certify that the entity responsible for selecting the service provider(s) has reviewed all applicable FCC, state, and local procurement/competitive bidding requirements and that the entity or entities listed on this application have complied with them.

#### Check all boxes and "Certify" to submit the form to USAC.

agent thereof or any consultant in connection with this request for service

I certify that I and the entity(ies) I represent have complied with all program rules and I acknowledge that failure to do so may result in denial of discount funding and/or cancellation of funding commitments. There are signed contracts or other legally binding agreements covering all of the services listed on this FCC Form 471 except for those services provided under non-contracted tariffed or month-to-month arrangements. I acknowledge that failure to comply with program rules could result in civil or criminal prosecution by the appropriate law enforcement authorities.

I acknowledge that the discount level used for shared services is conditional, for future years, upon ensuring that the most disadvantaged schools and libraries that are treated as sharing in the service, receive an appropriate share of benefits from those services.

I certify that I will retain required documents for a period of at least 10 years (or whatever retention period is required by the rules in effect at the time of this certification) after the later of the last day of the applicable funding year or the service delivery deadline for the associated funding request. I acknowledge that I may be audited pursuant to participation in the schools and libraries program. I certify that I will retain all documents necessary to demonstrate compliance with the statute and Commission rules regarding the application for, receipt of, and delivery of services receiving schools and libraries discounts, and that if audited, I will make such records available to USAC.

I certify that I am authorized to order telecommunications and other supported services for the eligible entity(ies) listed on this application. I certify that I am authorized to submit this request on behalf of the eligible entity(ies) listed on this application, that I have examined this request, that all of the information on this form is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, that the entities that are receiving discounts pursuant to this application have complied with the terms, conditions and purposes of the program, that no kickbacks were paid to anyone and that false statements on this form can be pursued by fine or forfeiture under the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. § 502, 503(b), or fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and civil violations of the False Claims Act.

I acknowledge that FCC rules provide that persons who have been convicted of criminal violations or held civilly liable for certain acts arising from their participation in the schools and libraries support mechanism are subject to suspension and debarment from the program. I will institute masonable measures to be informed, and will notify USAC should I be informed or become aware that I or any of the entities listed on this application, or any person associated in any way with my entity and/or the entities listed on this application, is convicted of a criminal violation or held civilly liable for acts arising from their participation in the schools and libraries support mechanism.

I certify that if any of the Funding Requests on this FCC Form 471 are for discounts for products or services that contain both eligible and ineligible components, that I have allocated the eligible and ineligible components as required by the Commission's rules at 47 C.F.R. § 54.504.

I certify that the non-discount portion of the costs for eligible services will not be paid by the service provider. The pre-discount costs of eligible services featured on this FCC Form 471 are net of any rebates or discounts offered by the service provider. I acknowledge that, for the purpose of this rule, the provision, by the provider of a supported service, of free services or products unrelated to the supported service or product will be considered a rebate of some or all of the cost of the supported services.

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## **Confirmation Page**

#### You have successfully filed FCC Form 471 #171003483 for FY 2017

#### **Certification Date**

4/2/2017 6:06 PM EDT

#### **Authorized Person**

Name School District 4 User 1

Title Administrator

Employer BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL DISTRICT - PARENT ENTITY

Address 100 Main Street

Springfield, PA 19064

Phone 555-555-5444

Email school.district4.user1@mailinator.com

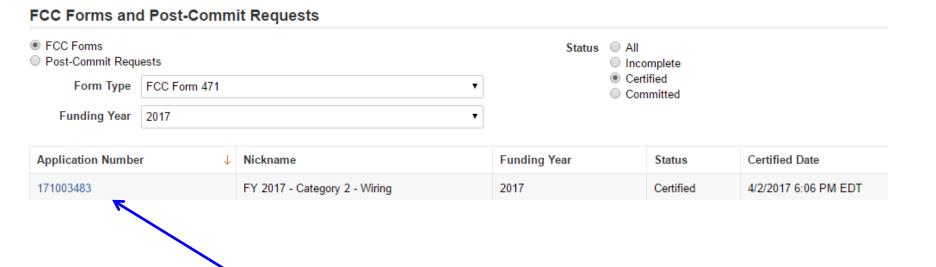
#### FCC Form 471 Help

Show Help

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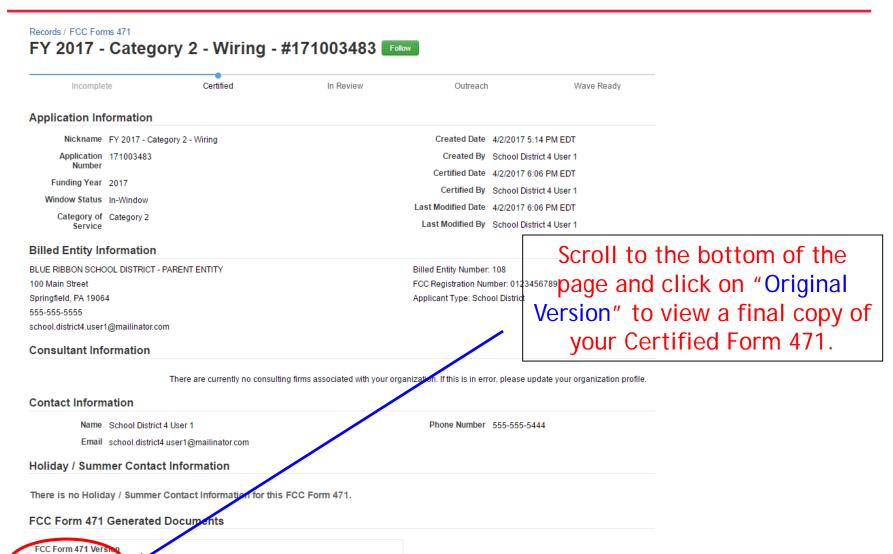
This screen confirms that you successfully filed and certified Form 471.

## To Print a Final Copy of Your Form 471



On your EPC Landing Page, scroll to the bottom under FCC Forms. Select "Form 471" and "Certified" to see a list of your FY 2017 certified 471s. Click on the blue 471 Application Number.

## Printing a Final Copy of Your Form 471



Original Version

# Internal Connections FRN Line Items Bulk Upload Guide



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# What is the Internal Connections FRN Line Item Bulk Upload Feature?

- Creating FRNs with multiple Line Items and/or multiple Recipients of Service can be time consuming
- USAC created "Offline Templates" to assist with this task
- Templates are available for all service types, but Internal Connections is the most commonly used
- Advantages?
  - Allow you to doublecheck your calculations
  - Copy/paste from another spreadsheet
  - Assists with keeping track of school building C2 pre-discount budgets
  - Saves time
- Challenges?
  - Template contains macros
  - Must be sure to "validate" for errors prior to uploading
- Still must create the FRN online and link to Contract Record

## What Data is Requested in Template?

- All FRN Line Item Data
  - Category
    - Wireless data distribution, data protection, cabling, etc.
  - Manufacturer
  - Model #
  - Unit price
    - Eligible and ineligible
  - Quantity
  - Recipients of Service
  - Amount per Model # (component) per Recipient of Service

## General Process for Using IC Bulk Upload

- Create the Template
  - Validate for Errors, then Save if no errors
- Create the Form 471 and FRN
- At FRN Line Item screen, click "Bulk Upload"
  - Upload the Template, click Submit
  - System will return you to your Actions Page (out of the 471)
  - Cannot do any work on this 471 while system is reviewing the data
- EPC will create a task within 1 minute with the Bulk Upload Results
  - Click on Results and it will tell you if your Upload was successful
- Review all FRN Line Item data to ensure it is accurate
  - Can revise any data
  - Can also delete the FRN Line Item and upload a revised Template

## Cre 1 Your Template

- Windows 10 (Excel 2013 and newer) Template available at: <a href="http://e-ratepa.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/Category-Two-Internal-Connections-Crashed-Fix-Version-16.4.xlsm">http://e-ratepa.org/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/Category-Two-Internal-Connections-Crashed-Fix-Version-16.4.xlsm</a>
- All other versions of Excel Template: <a href="http://usac.org/">http://usac.org/</a> res/documents/sl/xls/window-hq/Category-Two-Internal-Connections.xlsm
  - This version will appear to work with Excel 2013 and newer, but ultimately will not allow you to upload
- Template has 3 tabs
  - Internal Connections
  - Recipients of Servi

    Category 2 Internal Connections

    Recipients of Service | List of Errors
  - List of Errors
- Macros require you to select from certain options
- Let's review each section of the Template

## Reference Number Column

- System will populate Reference Numbers one per row
- Used to identify components in Recipients of Service Tab
- Note: If you change data in the row later, the Reference Number will change
  - Simply highlight the column, right click, then "Clear Contents" and the numbers will return to normal

1	Category 2 Internal	Internal Connections - Version 16.4								
2										
	Reference Number	Type of Internal	Installation	Type of Product	Make	Enter the Make (If Other)	Model	Lease or Non-		
		Connection	Included in					Purchase		
3			Price?					Agreement?		
	For Reference only	Required	Required	Required	Required	Required if "Other" is	Required	Required		
4	- Not Imported					selected as Make				
5										
6										
7										
8										

### Tab 1, Section 1: Equipment Details

- First 6 columns (peach) require equipment details
  - After creating one row, you can copy rows instead of clicking on each cell
  - Example:

For Reference only - Not Imported	Connection	Installation Included in Price? Required	Type of Product  Required	Make Required	Enter the Make (If Other)  Required if "Other" is selected as Make		Lease or Non- Purchase Agreement? Required
1	Data Distribution	No	Switch	Meraki		MS350-24P-HW	No
2	Data Distribution	No	Switch	Meraki		MS225-48LP-HW	No
3	Data Distribution	No	Switch	Meraki		MS425-16-HW	No
4	Data Distribution	No	Switch	Meraki		LIC-MS350-24P-5YR	No
						LIC-MS225-48LP-	
5	Data Distribution	No	Switch	Meraki		5YR	No
6	Data Distribution	No	Switch	Meraki		LIC-MS425-16-5Y	No
7	Data Distribution	No	Switch	Meraki		MA-SFP-1GB-SX	No
8	Data Distribution	No	Switch	Meraki		MA-PWR-640WAC	No
9	Data Distribution	No	Switch	Meraki		MA-PWR-250WAC	No
10	Data Distribution	No	Switch	Meraki		MA-CBL-40G-50CM	No
11	Data Distribution	No	Switch	Meraki		MA-SFP-10GB-LR	No

### Type of IC & Type of Product

- Choices for Type of Product will change, depending on the Type of Internal connection chosen
- Choices are:

Type of Internal Connection	Type of Product
Required	Required
Cabling/Connectors	Cabling
Cabling/Connectors	Connectors
Caching	Caching Equipment
Data Distribution	Switch
Data Distribution	Router
Data Protection	UPS/ Battery Backup
Data Protection	Firewall Services & Components
Racks	Racks & Cabinets
Software	Operating System Software of Eligible Equipment
Wireless Data Distribution	Access Point
Wireless Data Distribution	Antenna
Wireless Data Distribution	LAN Controller
Wireless Data Distribution	Wireless Controller
Miscellaneous	Installation, Activation, & Initial Configuration
Miscellaneous	Training
Miscellaneous	Fees, Taxes, etc.

# Tab 1, Section 2: Monthly Recurring Costs

- Next five columns (dark blue) must be completed, even for Internal Connections Templates
  - Most answers will be \$0.00
  - Doesn't matter which Unit Type is selected
  - System requires at least 1 month to be selected
    - This is meaningless data, so it doesn't matter what is listed

		Identify the Mo	onthly Costs				
Monthly Recurring	Monthly Recurring	<b>Estimated Monthly</b>	Monthly Quantity	Units	Estimated Total	Estimated	Estimated Total
Unit Costs	Unit Ineligible Costs	Recurring Unit			Monthly Eligible	Months of	Eligible Recurring
		Eligible Costs			Recurring Costs	Service	Costs
Required	Required	For Reference only	Required	Required	For Reference only	Required	For Reference only
		Not Imported			- Not Imported		- Not Imported
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	Each	\$0.00	1	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	Each	\$0.00	1	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	Each	\$0.00	1	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	Each	\$0.00	1	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	Each	\$0.00	1	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	Each	\$0.00	1	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	Each	\$0.00	1	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	Each	\$0.00	1	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	Each	\$0.00	1	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	Each	\$0.00	1	\$0.00
\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	0	Each	\$0.00	1	\$0.00

#### Tab 1, Section 3: One-Time Costs

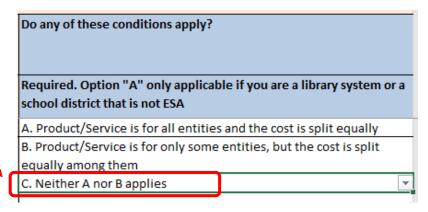
- Next 3 columns (light blue) will identify the:
  - Total Cost of each component
  - Ineligible Cost of each component
  - Quantity of components

Hint: If gray columns don't calculate, type the Unit Costs by hand

Identify the One-time Costs					
One-time Unit Costs	One-time Unit Ineligible Costs	Estimated One- time Unit Eligible Costs	One-time Quantity	Estimated Total Eligible One-time Costs	
Required	Required	For Reference only - Not Imported	Required	For Reference only - Not Imported	
\$2,937.00	\$0.00	\$2,937.00	7	\$20,559.00	
\$2,290.00	\$0.00	\$2,290.00	55	\$125,950.00	
\$6,370.00	\$0.00	\$6,370.00	2	\$12,740.00	
\$450.00	\$0.00	\$450.00	7	\$3,150.00	
\$331.00	\$0.00	\$331.00	55	\$18,205.00	
\$975.00	\$0.00	\$975.00	2	\$1,950.00	
\$227.00	\$0.00	\$227.00	108	\$24,516.00	
\$432.00	\$0.00	\$432.00	7	\$3,024.00	
\$204.00	\$0.00	\$204.00	2	\$408.00	
\$45.00	\$0.00	\$45.00	57	\$2,565.00	
\$1,817.00	\$0.00	\$1,817.00	6	\$10,902.00	

# Tab 1, Section 3: Which Condition Applies

- The final column is trying to identify how to allocate the costs to the Recipients of Service
  - If A is selected, the system will assume that all entities in your EPC profile will be using the equipment and the costs should be split equally
    - This Reference Number should not be listed on the R/S Tab
    - Be cautious choosing this condition because it will not weight the costs by enrollment
  - If B is selected, the system will require you to list the Reference Number on the R/S Tab, identify who will be using the equipment, but will not require you to identify costs/school
    - Be cautious choosing this condition because it will not weight the costs by enrollment
    - Good choice if all equipment listed in the Template is going to the same school
  - If C is selected, the system will require you to enter all of the data on the Recipients of Service Tab
    - Note: This is the most common choice



#### Tab 2: Recipients of Service

Category 2 Internal Connections Recipients of Service List of Errors

- Cross references each "Reference Number Row" with entities using the equipment
- Identifies the cost/entity for that "row"
- Rows can/should be listed multiple times
- Recipient's E-rate Entity Number (BEN) must be listed
  - Name of BEN not required or uploaded by you'll want to include
  - Don't know a building's BEN? Look on your EPC Landing Page

Category 2 Internal C	connections - Version 16.4					
	Recipients of Service					
Reference Number	eference Number BEN Name Eligible Cost per BEN					
Required- Not						
Imported	Required	For Reference only - Not Imported	Required			
	▼					

### Tab 2: Recipients of Service

#### Completed Example:

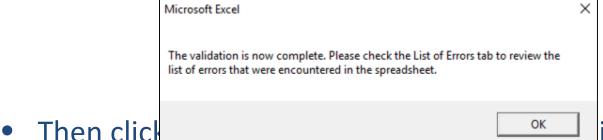
Recipients of Service  Reference Number   BEN   Name   Fligible Cost pe				
Required- Not	BEIN	Name	Eligible Cost per BEN	
•	Danis d	For Reference only. Not become	Domino d	
Imported	Required	For Reference only - Not Imported	Required	
1	21089	AMANDA E STOUT ELEM (AS)	\$8,811.00	
1	21151	MILLMONT ELEM (MM)	\$11,748.00	
2	21089	AMANDA E STOUT ELEM (AS)	\$34,350.00	
2	21151	MILLMONT ELEM (MM)	\$22,900.00	
2	16055732	READING INTERMEDIATE HS (CIT)	\$68,700.00	
3	16055732	READING INTERMEDIATE HS (CIT)	\$12,740.00	
4	21089	AMANDA E STOUT ELEM (AS)	\$1,350.00	
4	21151	MILLMONT ELEM (MM)	\$1,800.00	
5	21089	AMANDA E STOUT ELEM (AS)	\$4,965.00	
5	21151	MILLMONT ELEM (MM)	\$3,310.00	
5	16055732	READING INTERMEDIATE HS (CIT)	\$9,930.00	
6	16055732 READING INTERMEDIATE HS (CIT)		\$1,950.00	
7	21089	AMANDA E STOUT ELEM (AS)	\$4,540.00	
7	21151	MILLMONT ELEM (MM)	\$6,356.00	
7	16055732	READING INTERMEDIATE HS (CIT)	\$13,620.00	
8 21089 AMANDA E STO		AMANDA E STOUT ELEM (AS)	\$1,296.00	
8 21151 MILLMONT ELE		MILLMONT ELEM (MM)	\$1,728.00	
9	16055732	READING INTERMEDIATE HS (CIT)	\$408.00	
10	21089	AMANDA E STOUT ELEM (AS)	\$675.00	
10	21151	MILLMONT ELEM (MM)	\$450.00	
10	16055732	READING INTERMEDIATE HS (CIT)	\$1,440.00	
11	21089	AMANDA E STOUT ELEM (AS)	\$3,634.00	
11	21151	MILLMONT ELEM (MM)	\$3,634.00	
11	16055732	READING INTERMEDIATE HS (CIT)	\$3,634.00	

#### Tab 2: Validating Data

 After Recipients of Service Tab is complete and totals match with totals from Equipment Tab, click the Validate Box

Click to Validate

System will show "Validation is Now Complete" window



if your data has

been perfectly validated

#### Tab 3: Finding Errors

 If your 3<sup>rd</sup> Tab looks like this, your data is perfect! Quickly save it to a folder you'll remember!

Tab	Column and Row	Error

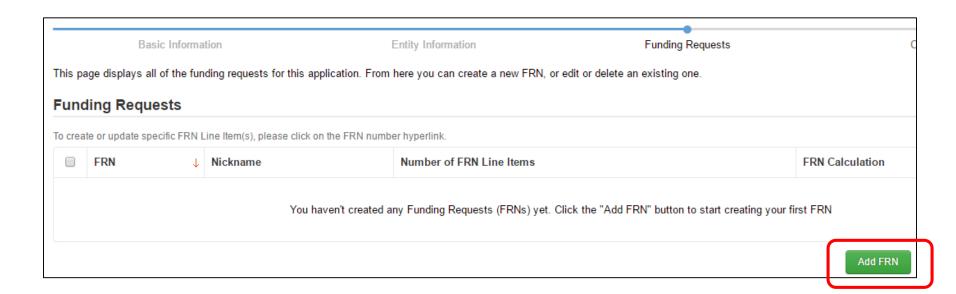
• If your 3<sup>rd</sup> Tab looks like this, review the Error Comments, correct the data, and Validate again

Click to Validate

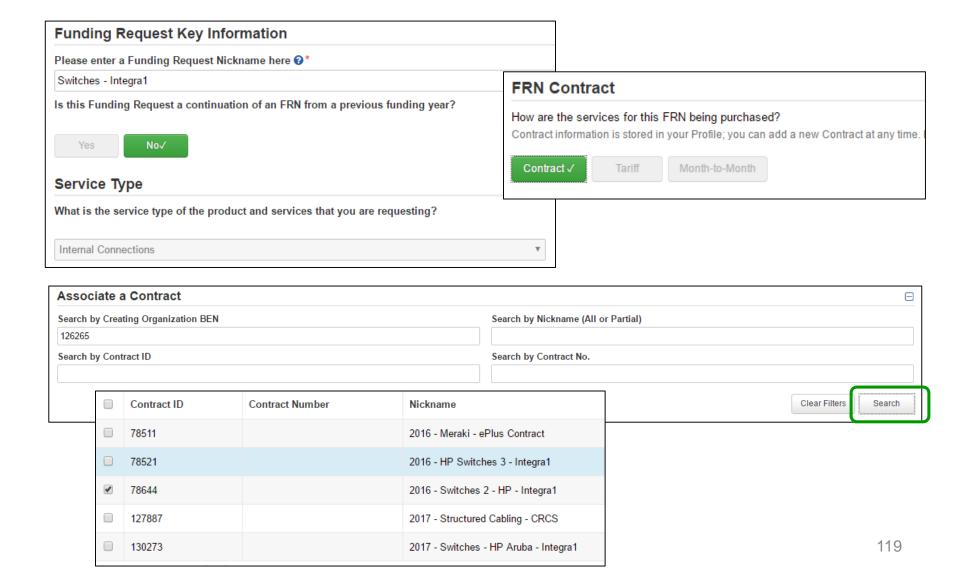
Tab	Column and Row	Error
Recipients of		[Reference Number: 2] For this FRN line item, you will not need to allocate costs per BEN because
Service	D7	the system will automatically split the cost equally between the recipients listed for this line item.
Recipients of		[Reference Number: 2] For this FRN line item, you will not need to allocate costs per BEN because
Service	D8	the system will automatically split the cost equally between the recipients listed for this line item.
Recipients of		[Reference Number: 2] For this FRN line item, you will not need to allocate costs per BEN because
Service	D9	the system will automatically split the cost equally between the recipients listed for this line item.

#### After Template is Validated

- Now it's time to create your FRN in the Form 471 and Bulk Upload your Template
- Remember, before you can upload your Template, you must create the umbrella FRN and link to your Contract Record

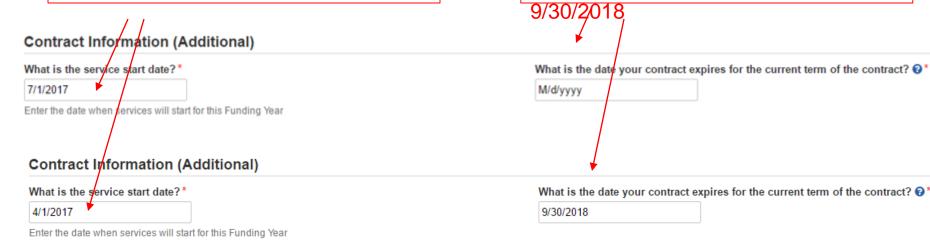


## 2 reating the Funding Request



#### **Entering Accurate Dates**

System will show 7/1/2017 as Service Start Date. Change this to 4/1/2017 (or the date you signed your contract, whichever is later). This will allow you to purchase the equipment prior to 7/1/2017 if you want to.



**Contract Expiration Date: List** 

## 3 ding Bulk Upload Button

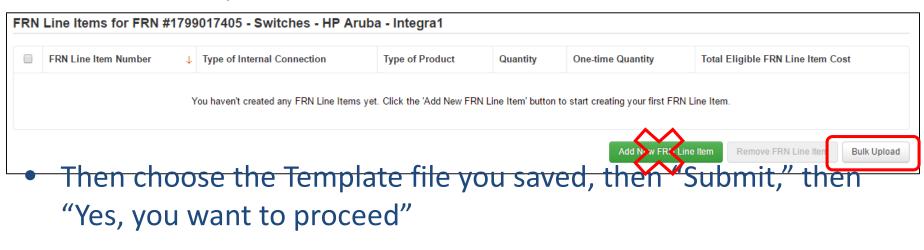
After FRN is created, the screen will look like this:



 Click on RN number (not the check box) to move to FRN Line Item page

#### Select Template File

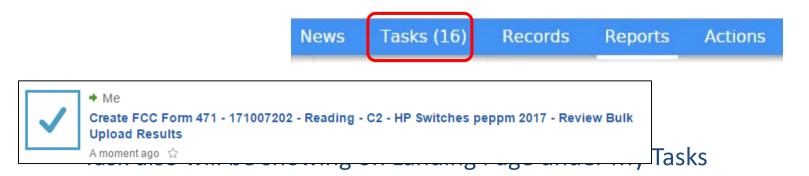
Click "Bulk Upload"





## 4 btaining Bulk Upload Results

- After submitting uploaded Template for review, system will return to EPC
  - After 30 seconds, you will receive an e-mail notification with a link to the Bulk Upload Results
  - A "Task" also will appear in your Task Page



Create FCC Form 471 - 171007202 - Reading - C2 - HP Switches peppm 2017 - Review Bulk Upload Results

#### Success?

 If your page looks like this, you're Bulk Upload was successful! Click Submit!

#### Confirmation

Congratulations! Your file was uploaded successfully. The data is now available for review in the FRN, where you can review and edit it as needed. To view your FRN Line Items, click the Submit button.



- If the page doesn't look like this, either you made changes after "saving" your validated Template, or you are using an incorrect version of the template
  - Go back to the template and make changes, or
  - Use a different version of the template. Then...
  - Start Bulk Upload process over

### Be 5 re to Review Data

- It's important to ensure all uploaded data is showing and is accurate
  - If data is inaccurate, you can make changes directly on the 471, delete individual FRN Line Items or the entire FRN and start over

	FRN Line Item Number	Type of Internal Connection	Type of Product	Quantity	One-time Quantity	Total Eligible FRN Line Item Cos
)	1799017405.011	Data Distribution	Switch	0	6	\$10,902.00
)	1799017405.010	Data Distribution	Switch	0	57	\$2,565.00
)	1799017405.009	Data Distribution	Switch	0	2	\$408.00
)	1799017405.008	Data Distribution	Switch	0	7	\$3,024.00
)	1799017405.007	Data Distribution	Switch	0	108	\$24,516.00
)	1799017405.006	Data Distribution	Switch	0	2	\$1,950.00
)	1799017405.005	Data Distribution	Switch	0	55	\$18,205.00
)	1799017405.004	Data Distribution	Switch	0	7	\$3,150.00
)	1799017405.003	Data Distribution	Switch	0	2	\$12,740.00
)	1799017405.002	Data Distribution	Switch	0	55	\$125,950.00

#### Tips for Success

- Make sure that you are using the correct version of the template
- If you run the process multiple times for a single FRN, each upload will create new FRN line items, regardless of data that has previously been uploaded
  - Meaning, it won't "override" the original data
- Once the upload is successful, you will be able to make any additional edits within your FCC Form 471
- Please ensure that after your final, clean validation, you save the file immediately before clicking in or editing cells throughout the spreadsheet, or else you must click the "Validate Button" again before saving
- Please let me know if you have any questioned jtschell@comcast.net