



ALBUQUERQUE PUBLIC SCHOOLS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

RFP #23-047NMM

RFP TITLE: Telecommunications VoIP System

NIGP Commodity Code: 83883, 83885

RFP Schedule

Action	Date & Time
RFP Issued	11/04/2022
READ ALL DOCUMENTS: Offerors must familiarize themselves with all documents contained herein; it is mandatory that all submitted offers be in compliance with all the provisions contained in the Request for Proposal. Offerors should promptly notify the Buyer of any ambiguity, inconsistency, error, or missing attachments which they may discover upon examination of the RFP.	
Deadline for Questions	11/14/2022 @ 5:00pm (local time)
RFP Due Date and Time	11/30/2022 @ 3:00pm (local time)
<i>Proposals must be received by the due date and time. No late proposals will be accepted. The only acceptable evidence to establish the time of receipt is the date/time stamp from electronic bidding system (Vendor Registry).</i>	
Evaluation of Proposals	TBD
Contract Negotiations	TBD

RFP Buyer Contact Information

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Any inquiries or requests regarding clarification of this RFP document shall be submitted to the buyer in writing. Offerors may contact ONLY the buyer regarding the terminology stated in the procurement documents. Any other communication will be considered unofficial and non-binding.	

RFP Submittal

Proposals must be submitted electronically via electronic bidding system (Vendor Registry) by required date and time as noted on RFP document.

<https://vrapp.vendorregistry.com/Vendor/Register/Index/albuquerque-public-schools-nm-vendor-registration>

Offerors understand and agree that technical support may not be readily available the day of and or the hours/minutes prior to due date and time. Offerors also understand and agree that internet access, browsers, and operating systems are not supported by the District and/or its agents. **Offerors are strongly encouraged to review, create, and submit all electronic RFP responses several days in advance of the due date and time.**

RFP Term

Albuquerque Public Schools reserves the right to enter into a contract with the awarded Offeror(s) with an end date of September 30, 2027.

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OFFEROR'S GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

1. **READ ALL DOCUMENTS:** Offerors must familiarize themselves with all documents contained herein; it is mandatory that all submitted offers be in compliance with all the provisions contained in the Request for Proposal. Offerors should promptly notify the Buyer of any ambiguity, inconsistency, error, or missing attachments which they may discover upon examination of the RFP.
2. **CONE OF SILENCE:** APS has adopted a “Cone of Silence” to enforce its commitment to ethical procurement standards and improve accountability and public confidence. The Code of Silence prohibits any communication regarding a competitive procurement solicitation between any person who seeks an award from the District, including potential vendors or vendor’s representative and APS Board Members, the Superintendent, senior staff members, principals, department heads, directors, managers or other District representative who have influence in the evaluation or selection process.
3. **OFFICIAL CONTACT:** Offerors may contact **ONLY** the Buyer regarding the terminology stated in the procurement documents. Other APS employees do not have the authority to respond on behalf of APS.

Offerors **MAY NOT** contact other APS departments, employees or the evaluation committee. Any contact with an APS department, employee or evaluation committee member may result in rejection of any proposal.

Any other verbal communication will be deemed unofficial and non-binding. Communication directed to parties other than the Buyer will have no legal bearing on this RFP or the resulting contract(s). Any response made by APS will be provided in writing to all Offerors by addendum; no verbal responses shall be authoritative.
4. **WRITTEN QUESTIONS:** Potential Offerors may submit written questions to the Buyer as to the intent or clarity of this RFP. All written questions must be addressed and submitted to the Buyer **NO LATER** than the date and time specified in this RFP. All times are subject to the local time zone. The Buyer will respond in a timely manner subject to the complexity of the questions. Buyer will **ONLY** respond to the written questions submitted and receive on or prior to the deadline in this RFP.
5. **SUBMISSION:** The submission of a proposal constitutes a representation by the Offeror that the Offeror has made all appropriate examinations, investigations, and analysis and has made provision as to the cost thereof in submitted proposal. By responding to this RFP, Offerors acknowledge and agree to the terms and conditions set forth in this RFP.
6. **ELECTRONIC RFP DOCUMENTS:** This RFP is being made available by electronic means. In the event of conflict between a version of the RFP in the Offeror’s possession and the version maintained by APS, the Offeror acknowledges that the version maintained by APS on the APS procurement website shall govern.
7. **INCURRING COSTS:** Any cost incurred by the potential Offeror in preparation, transmittal, and/or presentation of any proposal or material submitted in response to this RFP shall be borne solely by the Offeror. If applicable, any cost incurred by the Offeror for set up and demonstration of the proposed equipment and/or system shall be borne solely by the Offeror.
8. **PUBLIC RECORDS ACT:** Albuquerque Public Schools is a governmental entity subject to the State of New Mexico Inspection of Public Records Act (IPRA). Proposals submitted to APS as a result of a formal procurement solicitation are subject to release as a public information request. If an Offeror believes that its response or parts of its response may be exempted from disclosure under New Mexico law, the Offeror may

mark the pages “confidential” for consideration to exemption. APS reserves the sole right to determine exemptions.

9. **PROPOSAL OFFER FIRM:** Responses to this RFP, including proposal prices for services, will be considered firm for one hundred twenty (120) days after due date. If a best and final offer is requested, the offer is good for ninety (90) days after receipt of best and final offer.
10. **FORMS AND ATTACHMENTS:** It is the responsibility of every Offeror to ensure they have downloaded the latest version of each RFP, including any addendum(s) which may have been issued and posted on the APS Procurement Department Website.
11. **ADDENDUM(S):** No Addendum will be issued later than **FIVE (5)** days prior to the date for receipt of proposals, except an Addendum withdrawing the RFP or one which extends the date for receipt of proposals. Offerors should revisit the website (<http://www.aps.edu/procurement>), then select, “See Current Bids and RFPs”) prior to the due date before submitting their proposal to Albuquerque Public Schools. All addendums must be acknowledged in the submitted proposal.
12. **CORRECTIONS:** Corrections shall be initialed in ink by the Offeror signing the proposal. Offerors will be allowed to withdraw their proposals at any time prior to the deadline for receipt of proposals. The Offeror must submit a written withdrawal request to withdraw their proposal. The approval or denial of withdrawal requests received after the deadline for receipt of the proposals is governed by the applicable procurement regulations.
13. **EXCEPTIONS:** Any exceptions to the scope of work and/or specifications shall be listed separately in the submitted proposal and unless otherwise stated, specifications and/or scope of work attached are the minimum requirements. Minor deviations to the specifications as listed, may be considered.

The Buyer, after review of the proposals may request clarifications on information submitted by any and all Offerors in a written format, with a specified deadline for response.
14. **DISTRICT DISCRETION:** The District hereafter referred to as APS reserves the right, pursuant NMSA 1978, §13-1-132, in its sole discretion to waive minor informalities in proposals submitted provided that such informalities have no effect on price, quality, quantity or any matter to be evaluated in making a selection and confer no material advantage on the Offeror whose nonconformity is waived. APS reserves the right to add to or delete from the Scope of Work set forth in this RFP.
15. **BRAND NAMES:** Pursuant to NMSA 1978, §13-1-168, where a brand-name or equal specification is used in a solicitation, the use of a brand name is for the purpose of describing the standard of quality, performance and characteristics desired and is not intended to limit or restrict competition pursuant to NMSA 1978 §13-1-168. If a vendor proposes an “equal” to scope of work/specifications, APS is the sole interpreter of the scope of work/specifications and sole judge as to whether the “equal” proposed complies with the scope of work/specifications
16. **OFFEROR QUALIFICATIONS:** The Evaluation Committee may make such investigations as necessary to determine the ability of the potential Offeror to adhere to the requirement specified within this RFP. The Evaluation Committee may reject the proposal of any potential Offeror who is deemed not to be a responsible Offeror or fails to submit a responsive offer as defined in NMSA 1978, §13-1-83 and §13-1-85.
17. **AWARD:** APS reserves the right to award all, part or none of the Scope of Work set forth in this RFP. This procurement in no manner obligates Albuquerque Public Schools until a valid signed contract and/or valid Purchase Order is executed.
18. **PREFERENCES:** RFPs may be awarded preference in compliance with NMSA 1978, §13-1-21 for New Mexico In-State Resident Business or Native America Resident Business or Resident Veteran Business or Native American Resident Veteran Business. Offerors shall include in their proposal a copy of the certificate issued by State of New Mexico Taxation & Revenue. If Proposal is Joint Venture, Offeror shall state in submitted offer the percentage of work that will be performed by Resident Business and/or Resident Veteran Business.

PLEASE NOTE: An Offeror cannot be awarded multiple preferences such as resident preference and a resident veteran business preference. The New Mexico Preferences shall not apply when the expenditures for this RFP includes federal funds.

19. **TIMELY SUBMISSIONS:** All Offeror proposals must be received for review and evaluation no later than the time and date specified in this RFP.

Important Information: Albuquerque Public Schools Online Bidding System (Vendor Registry) utilizes the Internet and the World Wide Web which is comprised of systems that are completely out APS's control including but not limited to: the District, its agents, and registered suppliers' respective internet service providers. The District and its agents are not responsible for Internet outages, hardware failures, software failures, downtime, internet slowness, acts of God, power failures, and or user errors. All proposals must be submitted before the due date regardless of your organization's ability to submit proposals online. It is the suppliers' responsibility to ensure that RFP offers arrive before the due date and time.

Proposers understand and agree that technical support may not be readily available the day of and or the hours/minutes prior to a bid closing time (Due Date/Time). Proposers also understand and agree that internet access, browsers, and operating systems are not supported by the District and/or its agents.

Suppliers are strongly encouraged to review, create, and submit all electronic RFP responses several days in advance of the due date and time. If you have any questions contact the Buyer listed on the RFP documents for assistance.

20. **EXTEND SUBMISSION TIME:** APS may in its sole discretion extend the time for the submission of bids upon a finding that it is in the interest of APS to do so. Such extensions shall be by addendum(s), which may be issued before or on the submission due date.
21. **RFP CANCELLATION OR REJECTION:** In accordance with NMSA 1978, §13-1-131, this RFP may be canceled or proposals may be rejected in whole or in part when it is in the best interest of Albuquerque Public Schools.
22. **RFP OPENING:** Submitted proposals shall not be publicly opened. The contents of the proposals shall not be disclosed during any negotiations that may occur. A public log will be kept of the names of all Offeror organizations that submitted proposals. Pursuant to NMSA 1978, §13-1-116, the contents of proposals shall not be disclosed to competing potential Offerors during the negotiation process. The negotiation process is deemed to be in effect until the contract is awarded pursuant to this Request for Proposals. Awarded in this context means the final required APS signature on the contract(s) resulting from the procurement has been obtained.
23. **RESPONSIBLE AND RESPONSIVE OFFER:** APS may reject the proposal of any potential Offeror who is not a responsible Offeror or fails to submit a responsive offer as defined in NMSA 1978, §13-1-83 and §13-1-85.
24. **SOLE RESPONSE:** Any sole response that is received may be rejected by APS depending on available competition and timely needs of APS. APS reserves the right to award the contract to the responsible Offeror submitted responsive proposals most advantageous and in the best interest of APS.
25. **NEGOTIATIONS:** APS reserves the right to discontinue negotiations with any Offeror.
26. **MULTI-AWARD:** APS reserves the right to multi-award contracts as necessary for adequate delivery or service in accordance with NMSA 1978, §13-1-153.
27. **AFTER AWARD:** After final contract is negotiated, approved and awarded, all proposal documents pertaining to this procurement will be open to the public, except for the material, which is proprietary or confidential.

The Procurement Department might not disclose or make public any pages of a proposal on which the Offeror

has stamped or imprinted “**Proprietary**” or “**Confidential**” subject to the following requirements.

Proprietary or confidential data shall be readily separable from the proposal in order to facilitate eventual public inspection of the non-confidential portion of the proposal. Confidential data is normally restricted to confidential financial information concerning the Offeror’s organization and data that qualifies as trade secret in accordance with the Uniform Trade Act, NMSA 1978, §57-3A-7. The price of products offered or the cost of services proposed shall not be designated as proprietary or confidential information.

28. **APS SCHOOL BOARD APPROVAL:** The award of this contract is not final until approved by the APS School Board (if applicable) and/or contract is signed by both parties.

29. **DEFINITIONS:** Definition of Terminology: This section contains definitions that are used throughout this procurement document, including appropriate abbreviations.

“**Agency**” shall mean Albuquerque Public Schools (APS)

“**Award of Contract**” shall mean a formal written notice by APS that a firm(s) has/have been selected to enter into a contract for services.

“**Contract**” shall mean an agreement for the procurement of items of tangible personal property or services.

“**Contractor**” shall mean the successful Offeror.

“**Determination**” shall mean the written documentation of a decision of a procurement manager including findings of fact required to support a decision. A determination becomes part of the procurement file to which it pertains.

“**Desirable**” the terms “**may**”, “**can**”, “**should**”, or “**prefers**” identify a desirable or discretionary item or factor.

“**Evaluation Committee**” shall mean a body constituted to evaluate proposals and make selection recommendation.

“**Finalist**” is defined as an Offeror who meets all the mandatory specifications of the RFP and whose score on evaluation factors is sufficiently high to qualify that Offeror for further consideration by the Evaluation Committee.

“**Mandatory**” the terms “**must**”, “**shall**”, “**will**”, “**is required**”, or “**are required**”, identify a mandatory item or factor. Failure to meet a mandatory item or factor will result in the rejection of the Bidder’s bid.

“**Offer**” – the term means “proposal”, “solution”, means all documents submitted to APS responding to RFP.

“**Offeror**”, “**Bidder**”, or “**Proposer**” is any person, corporation, or partnership who chooses to submit a proposal in response to this RFP.

“**Owner**” shall be Albuquerque Public Schools.

“**Purchase Order**” shall mean the document, which directs a Contractor to deliver items of tangible personal property or services pursuant to an existing contract.

“**Request for Proposal**” or “**RFP**” means all documents, including those attached or incorporated by reference, used for soliciting proposals.

“**Responsible Offeror**” shall mean an Offeror who submits a responsive bid and who has furnished, when required, information and data to prove that its financial resources, production or service facilities, personnel, service reputation and experience are adequate to make satisfactory delivery of the services or items of tangible property described in the RFP.

“**Responsive Offer**” or “**Responsive Proposal**” shall mean a bid, which conforms in all material respects to the requirements set forth in the RFP.

TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. **APPLICABILITY:** These terms and conditions are applicable and form a part of the resulting contract documents, and each purchase order issued for good and/or services included in the scope of work and proposal forms issued herewith.
2. **TERM:** APS reserves the right to procure the services/goods as described in this RFP and enter into a contract as described on RFP front cover.
3. **REQUEST(S) NOT DEFINED IN SCOPE OF WORK:** Contractor shall be held responsible to **NOT** fill requests which are clearly beyond the defined scope of this contract. Should such requests occur, Contractor has the responsibility of calling such violations to the attention of the APS Procurement Officer.
4. **ASSIGNMENT:** It is mutually understood and agreed that the successful Offeror(s) shall not assign, transfer, convey, sublet or otherwise dispose of the purchase order, contract, or his/her right, title of interest therein, or power to execute such purchase order or contract to any other person, company or corporation without the previous written consent of APS.
5. **NO MINIMUM GUARANTEE:** Albuquerque Public Schools does not guarantee a minimum amount of purchases in conjunction with award of this request for proposals.
6. **PURCHASE ORDER REQUIRED:** A purchase order commitment represents an obligation to pay a vendor for future delivery of goods and/or services. No payments will be made for work performed or goods delivered before a Purchase Order is issued by APS Purchasing Department. Vendors who commence work before they have received a valid purchase order do so at their own risk and payment is not guaranteed. Purchase Orders are issued by APS and submitted electronically to the vendor by email.
7. **PRICING ESCALATION (if applicable):** Price escalation may be considered only at yearly observance of award (anniversary date) and only upon receipt of written request from Contractor stating reason(s) for escalation and the amount being requested. Justifying documentation **MUST** accompany price escalation request.
8. **TAXES:** APS holds a Class 9 Nontaxable Transaction Certificate and is exempt from payment of taxes on tangible personal property. A NTTC will be issued upon request.
9. **NON-APPROPRIATION:** APS' obligation to make payment under the terms of this RFP is contingent upon its appropriation of sufficient funds to make those payments. If APS does not appropriate funds for the continuation of this procurement, this procurement will terminate upon written notice of that effect to the Contractor. APS determination that sufficient funds have not been appropriated is firm, binding and not subject to review.
10. **PROCUREMENT CODE:** The Procurement Code, NMSA 1978, §13-1-28 through §13-1-199, imposes civil and misdemeanor criminal penalties for its violation. In addition, the New Mexico Criminal Statutes impose felony penalties for bribes, gratuities, and kickbacks.
11. **PROCUREMENT UNDER EXISTING CONTRACTS:** In accordance with NMSA 1978, §13-1-129, Offerors are hereby notified that other governmental entities within the State of New Mexico, or as otherwise allowed by their respective governing directives, may contract for services with the awarded Offeror. Contractual engagements accomplished under this provision shall be solely between the awarded Offeror and the contracting entity with no obligation by Albuquerque Public Schools
12. **TERMINATION:** Either party may terminate this contract as follows:
 - A. Termination by the Contractor
 1. The Contractor may terminate this contract **only** if Albuquerque Public School District fails to comply with any provisions of this contract and after receiving notice of the noncompliance APS fails to cure the noncompliance within ten (10) days, or
 2. By written mutual agreement between the Contractor and APS.
 - B. Termination by APS

1. For Cause

- a. The occurrence of either one of the following events will justify termination for cause:
 - i. Contractor’s persistent failure to perform the work in accordance with the contract documents (including but not limited to, failure to supply sufficient skilled workers or suitable materials or equipment).
 - ii. Contractor’s violation in any substantial way of any provisions of this contract.
- b. If either one of the events identified above occur, APS may, after giving Contractor (and the surety, if any) ten (10) days written notice, terminate the service of Contractor, exclude Contractor from site, and take possession of the work. Contractor shall be paid for project costs incurred up to the date of termination but shall not be paid for loss of profits resulting from such termination.
- c. Where Contractor’s services have been so terminated by APS, the termination will not affect any rights or remedies of APS against Contractor then existing or which may thereafter accrue. Any retention or payment of moneys due the Contractor by APS will not release the Contractor from liability.

2. For Convenience

- a. Upon ten (10) days written notice to Contractor, APS may without cause and without prejudice to any other right or remedy of APS, elect to terminate the contract.
- b. In such case, Contractor shall be paid (without duplication of any items):
 - i. For completed and acceptable work executed in accordance with the contract documents prior to the effective date of termination.
 - ii. For expenses sustained prior to the effective date of termination in performing services and furnishing labor, materials or equipment as required by the contract document in connection with uncompleted work.
- c. Contractor shall not be paid on account of loss of anticipated profits or revenue or other economic loss arising out of or resulting from such termination.

13. **INDEMNIFICATION:** The Offeror shall be responsible for damage to persons or property that occurs as a result of Offeror’s fault or negligence, or that of any of his/her employees, agents or subcontractors. Offeror shall save and hold harmless Albuquerque Public Schools against any and all losses, cost, damage, claims, expenses or liability in connection with the performance of the contract. Any equipment or facilities damaged by the Offeror’s operation shall be repaired and/or restored to their original condition at the Offeror’s expense.

14. **INSURANCE:** The successful Offeror shall purchase and maintain statutory limits of Worker's Compensation, Public Liability and Automobile Liability Insurance approved by APS at the time of contract award. Albuquerque Public Schools shall be included as a loss payee and/or additional insured. Public Liability and Automobile Liability insurance shall include at least the following coverage:

General Liability Insurance – per occurrence General Aggregate - \$2,000,000 Product/completed operations aggregate \$1,000,000	\$1,000,000
Professional Liability Insurance (E&O)-per occurrence Professional Aggregate - \$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
Bodily injury, per occurrence	\$1,000,000
Medical and medically-related expenses	\$10,000
Vehicle bodily injury, each occurrence, excluding medical and medically related expenses	\$750,000

Property Damage, per occurrence	\$1,000,000
Worker's Compensation and Employers Liability	\$1,000,000

Contractor shall furnish Owner with certificates of insurance with the contract documents and prior to the commencement of work.

NOTE: Certificate holder shall be: Board of Education
Albuquerque Public Schools

Certificate of Insurance forwarded to: Albuquerque Public Schools- Procurement Department
P.O. Box 25704
Albuquerque, New Mexico 87125

15. **AUDIT:** APS reserves the right to audit the Contractor's records associated with this contract at any time during the contract period and for a period of up to three years following the expiration or termination of the agreement. Such audit may be conducted by APS personnel or a third party under contract with APS. APS shall give the Contractor reasonable notice prior to the conduct of any audit and upon receiving the notice from APS the Contractor agrees to fully cooperate with the auditors. If Contractor subcontracts any portion of its obligation to another party, Contractor shall guarantee APS' access to books and records of such party.
16. **GOVERNING LAW:** This RFP and any contract with an Offeror which may result from this procurement shall be governed by the laws of the State of New Mexico.
17. **INDEPENDENT CONTRACTOR:** The Contractor is an independent contractor performing services for APS. The Contractor shall not accrue leave, retirement, insurance, or any other benefits afforded to employees of APS as a result of this procurement.
18. **DEBARMENT OR SUSPENSION:** A business (Contractor, Subcontractor or Supplier) that has either been debarred or suspended pursuant to the requirements of NMSA 1978, §13-1-177 through §13-1-180, and §13-4-11 through §13-4-17 as amended, shall not be permitted to do business with APS and shall not be considered for award of the contract during the period for which it is debarred or suspended with APS.
19. **CONFLICT OF INTEREST:** By submitting a proposal, the Offeror certifies that no relationship exists between the Offeror and APS that interferes with fair competition or is a conflict of interest; and no relationship exists between such propose and another person or firm that constitutes a conflict of interest that is adverse to APS.
20. **NON-DISCLOSURE:** The Offeror shall not disclose any information relating to students, and employees of APS other than such information that may be authorized by the individual student or employee. Vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless APS from any damages, claims, liabilities, and costs including reasonable attorney fees in the event any unauthorized release of such information occurs.
21. **DELIVERY:** The goods shall be delivered free of the rightful claim of any third person, any security interest or other lien. Unless otherwise agreed all goods called for in this RFP shall be tendered in a single delivery and payment is due only upon such delivery (NET 30).
22. **FOB:** Unless stated otherwise, the price for goods is FOB: Destination (APS' designated address). Proposal prices shall include all freight and delivery charges.
23. **DELAYS IN DELIVERY:** Time is of the essence and this purchase may be subject to termination for failure to deliver on time, unless delay was caused by APS. If delay in delivery is foreseen, Seller must notify the APS Requesting Department of late delivery, cause of late delivery and remedy for late delivery.
24. **INSPECTION:** Final inspection will be made at the destination upon completion of delivery of goods/services. Final inspection shall include any testing or inspection procedures required by the specifications.

25. **ACCEPTANCE**: Acceptance of delivery of goods/services shall not be considered acceptance of the goods/services furnished. Acceptance occurs when the Requesting Department, after a reasonable opportunity to inspect the goods/services, signifies to the seller that the goods/services are conforming and fails to make an effective rejection.
26. **BUYERS REVOCATION OF ACCEPTANCE**: Requesting Department can revoke acceptance of goods when it is discovered, in a reasonable time, that the Sellers nonconforming goods substantially impair the value of the goods.
27. **SELLERS RIGHT TO CURE A NONCONFORMING DELIVERY OF GOODS**: The Seller, upon notice of revocation of acceptance, shall correct without charge and deliver conforming goods in a reasonable time.
28. **INVOICES**: Vendor shall submit invoices directly to APS Accounts Payable, unless otherwise instructed. Invoices may be sent to accounts.payable@aps.edu. Each invoice shall include APS Purchase Order Number. Invoices that are missing APS purchase order numbers are not eligible for payment.
29. **PAYMENT**: Any invoice received and payment made shall be subject to APS' terms and conditions (NET 30) unless specifically waived by APS in a separate written document.
30. **USE OF DISTRICT NAME OR LOGO(s)**: Vendor may not use APS official name or logo, or any phrase associated with the District, without written permission from the Superintendent of Schools or their designee.
31. **DISPUTE RESOLUTION**: In the event the Parties do not agree to mediate the dispute or unable to resolve the dispute through mediation, then the dispute shall be resolved by binding arbitration. Such arbitration shall be governed by the New Mexico Uniform Arbitration Act, NMSA 44-7A-1, et seq. as amended.

ADDITIONAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR COMPLIANCE WITH 2 C.F.R. PART 200, APPENDIX II

1. REMEDIES

The parties agree that the Owner reserves all rights and privileges under applicable laws and regulations with respect to this contract in the event of a breach of contract, including but not limited to the right to institute legal proceedings in a court of competent jurisdiction seeking monetary damages, court costs and litigation expenses, as applicable.

2. TERMINATION FOR CAUSE AND CONVENIENCE

The parties agree that the Owner reserves the right to terminate the contract immediately, with written notice to the Contractor, in the event of a breach or default of the Contractor, including but not limited to situations in which the Contractor fails, after a reasonable opportunity to cure, to: (1) meet schedules, deadlines, and/or delivery dates within the time specified in the procurement solicitation, contract, and/or a purchase order; (2) make any payments owed; or (3) otherwise perform in accordance with the contract and/or the procurement solicitation. The Owner also reserves the right to terminate the contract immediately, with written notice to the Contractor, for convenience, if the Owner believes that it is in the best interest of the Owner to do so. In the event of a termination for convenience of the Owner, the Contractor will be compensated only for work performed and goods provided by the Owner as of the termination date. The amount of compensation due the Contractor in the event of a termination for the convenience of the Owner shall be a reasonable amount, using as a guide factors such as the percentage of work or services performed by the Contractor and accepted by the Owner as of the date of termination, the contract price and any unit prices specified in the contract, as applicable.

3. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

- a. The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment without regard to their race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following:
Employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
- b. The contractor will, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, gender identity, or national origin.

- c. The contractor will not discharge or in any other manner discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because such employee or applicant has inquired about, discussed, or disclosed the compensation of the employee or applicant or another employee or applicant. This provision shall not apply to instances in which an employee who has access to the compensation information of other employees or applicants as a part of such employee's essential job functions discloses the compensation of such other employees or applicants to individuals who do not otherwise have access to such information, unless such disclosure is in response to a formal complaint or charge, in furtherance of an investigation, proceeding, hearing, or action, including an investigation conducted by the employer, or is consistent with the contractor's legal duty to furnish information.
- d. The contractor will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which he has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice to be provided advising the said labor union or workers' representatives of the contractor's commitments under this section, and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor will comply with all provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and of the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor.

The contractor will furnish all information and reports required by Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and by rules, regulations, and orders of the Secretary of Labor, or pursuant thereto, and will permit access to his books, records, and accounts by the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor for purposes of investigation to ascertain compliance with such rules, regulations, and orders.

In the event of the contractor's noncompliance with the nondiscrimination clauses of this contract or with any of the said rules, regulations, or orders, this contract may be canceled, terminated, or suspended in whole or in part and the contractor may be declared ineligible for further Government contracts or federally assisted construction contracts in accordance with procedures authorized in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, and such other sanctions may be imposed and remedies invoked as provided in Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, or by rule, regulation, or order of the Secretary of Labor, or as otherwise provided by law.

The contractor will include the portion of the sentence immediately preceding paragraph (a) and the provisions of paragraphs (a) through (g) in every subcontract or purchase order unless exempted by rules, regulations, or orders of the Secretary of Labor issued pursuant to section 204 of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, so that such provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor. The contractor will take such action with respect to any Subcontract or purchase order as the administering agency may direct as a means of enforcing such provisions, including sanctions for noncompliance:

Provided, however, that in the event a contractor becomes involved in, or is threatened with, litigation with a subcontractor or vendor as a result of such direction by the administering agency, the contractor may request the United States to enter into such litigation to protect the interests of the United States.

The applicant further agrees that it will be bound by the above equal opportunity clause with respect to its own employment practices when it participates in federally assisted construction work: Provided, That if the applicant so participating is a State or local government, the above equal opportunity clause is not applicable to any agency, instrumentality or subdivision of such government which does not participate in work on or under the contract.

The applicant agrees that it will assist and cooperate actively with the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor in obtaining the compliance of contractors and subcontractors with the equal opportunity clause and the rules, regulations, and relevant orders of the Secretary of Labor, that it will furnish the administering agency and the Secretary of Labor such information as they may require for the supervision of such compliance, and that it will otherwise assist the administering agency in the discharge of the agency's primary responsibility for securing compliance.

The applicant further agrees that it will refrain from entering into any contract or contract modification subject to Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, with a contractor debarred from, or who has not demonstrated eligibility for, Government contracts and federally assisted construction contracts pursuant to the Executive Order and will carry out such sanctions and penalties for violation of the equal opportunity clause as may be imposed upon contractors and subcontractors by the administering agency or the Secretary of Labor pursuant to Part II, Subpart D of the Executive Order. In addition, the applicant agrees that if it fails or refuses to comply with these undertakings, the administering agency may take any or all of the following actions: Cancel, terminate, or suspend in whole or in part this grant (contract, loan, insurance, guarantee); refrain from extending any further assistance to the applicant under the program with respect to which the failure or refund occurred until satisfactory assurance of future compliance has been received from such applicant; and refer the case to the Department of Justice for appropriate legal proceedings.

4. DAVIS-BACON ACT

a. All transactions regarding this contract shall be done in compliance with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 U.S.C. 3141- 3144, and 3146-3148) and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as may be applicable. The contractor shall comply with 40 U.S.C. 3141-3144, and 3146-3148 and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 5 as applicable.

b. Contractors are required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determination made by the Secretary of Labor.

c. Additionally, contractors are required to pay wages not less than once a week.

5. COPELAND ANTI-KICKBACK ACT

a. Contractor. The contractor shall comply with 18 U.S.C. § 874, 40 U.S.C. § 3145, and the requirements of 29 C.F.R. pt. 3 as may be applicable, which are incorporated by reference into this contract.

b. Subcontracts. The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clause above and such other clauses as FEMA may by appropriate instructions require, and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime

contractor shall be responsible for the compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with all of these contract clauses.

c. Breach. A breach of the contract clauses above may be grounds for termination of the contract, and for debarment as a contractor and subcontractor as provided in 29 C.F.R. §5.12.

6. CONTRACT WORK HOURS AND SAFETY STANDARDS ACT

a. *Overtime requirements.* No contractor or subcontractor contracting for any part of the contract work which may require or involve the employment of laborers or mechanics shall require or permit any such laborer or mechanic in any workweek in which he or she is employed on such work to work in excess of forty hours in such workweek unless such laborer or mechanic receives compensation at a rate not less than one and one-half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty hours in such workweek.

b. *Violation; liability for unpaid wages; liquidated damages.* In the event of any violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (a) of this section the contractor and any subcontractor responsible therefor shall be liable for the unpaid wages. In addition, such contractor and subcontractor shall be liable to the United States (in the case of work done under contract for the District of Columbia or a territory, to such District or to such territory), for liquidated damages. Such liquidated damages shall be computed with respect to each individual laborer or mechanic, including watchmen and guards, employed in violation of the clause set forth in paragraph (a) of this section, in the sum of \$27 for each calendar day on which such individual was required or permitted to work in excess of the standard workweek of forty hours without payment of the overtime wages required by the clause set forth in paragraph (a) of this section.

c. *Withholding/or unpaid wages and liquidated damages.* The Owner shall upon its own action or upon written request of an authorized representative of the Department of Labor withhold or cause to be withheld, from any moneys payable on account of work performed by the contractor or subcontractor under any such contract or any other Federal contract with the same prime contractor, or any other federally-assisted contract subject to the Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act, which is held by the same prime contractor, such sums as may be determined to be necessary to satisfy any liabilities of such contractor or subcontractor for unpaid wages and liquidated damages as provided in the clause set forth in paragraph (b) of this section.

d. *Subcontracts.* The contractor or subcontractor shall insert in any subcontracts the clauses set forth in paragraphs (a) through (d) of this section and also a clause requiring the subcontractors to include these clauses in any lower tier subcontracts. The prime contractor shall be responsible for compliance by any subcontractor or lower tier subcontractor with the clauses set forth in paragraphs (a) through (d) of this section.

7. RIGHTS TO INVENTIONS MADE UNDER A CONTRACT OR AGREEMENT

The parties agree to comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401 (Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements), and any implementing regulations issued by FEMA.

8. CLEAN AIR ACT AND THE FEDERAL WATER POLLUTION CONTROL ACT

a. Clean Air Act

- I. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act, as amended, 42 U.S.C. § 7401 et seq.
- II. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the Owner and understands and agrees that the Owner will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- III. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

b. Federal Water Pollution Control Act

- I. The contractor agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended, 33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.
- II. The contractor agrees to report each violation to the Owner and understands and agrees that the Owner will, in turn, report each violation as required to assure notification to the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and the appropriate Environmental Protection Agency Regional Office.
- III. The contractor agrees to include these requirements in each subcontract exceeding \$150,000 financed in whole or in part with Federal assistance provided by FEMA.

9. DEBARMENT AND SUSPENSION

- a. This contract is a covered transaction for purposes of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180 and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000. As such, the contractor is required to verify that none of the contractor's principals (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.995) or its affiliates (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.905) are excluded (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.940) or disqualified (defined at 2 C.F.R. § 180.935).
- b. The contractor must comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, and must include a requirement to comply with these regulations in any lower tier covered transaction it enters into.
- c. This certification is a material representation of fact relied upon by Owner. If it is later determined that the contractor did not comply with 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C, in addition to remedies available to Owner, the Federal Government may pursue available remedies, including but not limited to suspension and/or debarment.
- d. The bidder or proposer agrees to comply with the requirements of 2 C.F.R. pt. 180, subpart C and 2 C.F.R. pt. 3000, subpart C while this offer is valid and throughout the period of any contract that may arise from this offer. The bidder or proposer further agrees to include a provision requiring such compliance in its lower tier covered transactions.

10. PROCUREMENT OF RECOVERED MATERIALS

The Contractor agrees to comply with all applicable requirements of Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act.

11. ACCESS TO RECORDS

The following access to records requirements apply to this contract:

- a. The Contractor agrees to provide Owner, the FEMA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representative's access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.
- b. The Contractor agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.
- c. The Contractor agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or his authorized representative's access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.
- d. In compliance with the Disaster Recovery Act of 2018, the Owner and the Contractor Acknowledge and agree that no language in this contract is intended to prohibit audits or internal reviews by the FEMA Administrator or the Comptroller General of the United States.

12. DHS SEAL, LOGO, AND FLAGS

The contractor shall not use the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific FEMA pre-approval.

13. COMPLIANCE WITH FEDERAL LAW, REGULATIONS, AND EXECUTIVE ORDERS

This is an acknowledgement that FEMA financial assistance will be used to fund all or a portion of the contract. The contractor will comply with all applicable Federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.

14. NO OBLIGATION BY FEDERAL GOVERNMENT

The Federal Government is not a party to this contract and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-Federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.

15. PROGRAM FRAUD AND FALSE OR FRAUDULENT STATEMENTS OR RELATED ACTS

Contractor acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the Contractor's actions pertaining to this contract.

PROTESTS

If any Offeror who is aggrieved in connection with a solicitation or award of an Agreement may protest to the Purchasing Office in accordance with the requirements of the Contracting Procurement Regulations and the State Procurement Code. The protest should be made in writing within twenty-four (24) hours after the facts or occurrences giving rise thereto, but **NO LATER THAN** fifteen (15) calendar days after the facts or occurrences giving rise thereto (NMSA1978, §13-1-172). The protest must be in writing and delivered to the Executive Director - Procurement Department, Albuquerque, New Mexico

1. In the event of a timely protest under this section, the Purchasing Agent and the Contracting Agency shall not proceed further with the procurement unless the Purchasing Agent makes a determination that the award of Agreement is necessary to protect substantial interests of the Contracting Agency (NMSA 1978, §13-1-173).
2. The Purchasing Agent or his/her Designee shall have the authority to take any action reasonably necessary to resolve a protest of an aggrieved Offeror concerning a procurement. This authority shall be exercised in accordance with adopted regulations, but shall not include the authority to award money damages or attorneys' fees (NMSA 1978, §13-1-174).
3. The Purchasing Agent or his/her Designee shall promptly issue a determination relating to the protest. The determination shall:
 - A. State the reasons for the action taken; and
 - B. Inform the protestant of the right to judicial review of the determination pursuant to NMSA 1978, §13-1-183.
5. A copy of the determination issued under NMSA 1978, §13-1-175 shall immediately be mailed to the protestant and other Offerors involved in the procurement in compliance with NMSA 1978, §13-1-176.

SCOPE OF WORK

OVERVIEW

Albuquerque Public Schools is the largest school district in New Mexico and one of the nation's largest school districts, covering more than 1,230 square mile geographical area. Currently, APS has 13 high schools, 4 K-8 schools, 12 schools of choice, 27 middle schools, 88 elementary schools plus 30 APS authorized Charter schools. APS has approximately 75,000 students and 11,000 employees. An elected Board of Education composed of seven members serving staggered terms of four years each governs APS. The Superintendent is Scott Elder.

RFP SCHEDULE

The RFP Buyer will make every effort to adhere to the RFP Schedule as noted on front cover of this RFP. The schedule is subject to change by addendum. The evaluation committee **MAY** request demonstrations from the Offeror(s) of the top-rated proposals; however, contracts may be awarded without such demonstrations and based solely on written offers. Finalists will be contacted to schedule demonstrations if required. If a demonstration is requested, the evaluation committee will record their demonstration score and that will be added into the Offeror(s) overall score.

PURPOSE OF THIS REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

The purpose of the Request for Proposal (RFP) is to solicit sealed proposals to establish a contract through competitive negotiations for the procurement of a software and hardware upgrade of the Avaya software and licensing including upgrading Software on Avaya IX Messaging Office LinX (ESNA) Voicemail system software currently utilized by APS.

SCOPE OF WORK

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

1. General Requirements

This is for a Software Upgrade with a hardware upgrade of listed servers including an indefinite quantity time and materials and maintenance contract supplemental to work done by APS telephone technicians and will be primarily used for upgrading the Avaya software and licensing from 6.3 to Avaya Aura 10.0 or current Software if higher using our current Avaya License and Software entitlement Suite of our Avaya Subscription Software and Licensing. Including upgrading Software on our Avaya IX Messaging Office LinX (ESNA) Voicemail system software 10.1.15 to current software. This contract must be co - termed with our existing Avaya Subscription Licensing and Software which expires September 30th 2027 and must be able to work with the incumbent who holds our Avaya Subscription agreement. Include all Firmware and 46xx settings in our HTTP server, including support and setup of installing Avaya J series phones. Additional Hardware and Software with upgrade should include a provisioning server for Avaya Workplace. Include maintenance and Manage Services for our 3 main sites of all Avaya systems and software, Presences Management software, all system features, and applications, including automatic software and firmware updates, patches, and security updates. Include training for APS telecom techs on all new SW and applications, with an ongoing maintenance and installation, replacement, and repair of voice telecommunications equipment in existing and new buildings.

This contract also must include an option for Avaya 911 Inform for solutions for NG911 Kerri's Law and the Ray Baum Act, software and hardware, for all IP desk phones, and mobile device notification within buildings or Geo fenced areas and with complete implementation and installation for all sites within the district. Include an option for Avaya Call Accounting software.

All existing Avaya programming and voicemail programming, mailboxes, greetings, auto attendants and prompts, must be maintained for district sites and end user operation.

This upgrade with any additions must be a complete turnkey implementation and installation package including training, testing, documentation, with failover testing of ESS servers and all.

This contract shall be for our existing Avaya Aura Telephone system, hardware, and software and licensing, that includes but not limited to, Communication Manager Servers, System Manager Server, Session Manager Servers, Session Initiation Protocol (SIP) support, High Availability Avaya SBC servers, Voice gateways, VoIP phone sets and our IX messaging (ESNA) Voicemail system servers and ongoing software and licensing updates. Including system features such as SIP, Unified Communications, Contact Center, ACD, ARS, E911, ISDN, T1, SIP Trunking, including all Avaya and IX Messaging (ESNA) features. Including existing 3rd party SIP endpoints and connections. Contractor will furnish on request all labor, materials, and equipment necessary to accomplish the work for all adds moves and changes requested. It may also occur that APS will provide labor only to Owner (APS)-furnished installations. Contractor should also note that historically, APS expends considerable effort to maintain compliance with code and to update existing facilities. Adequate network cabling and electrical will be done in coordination with APS Enterprise Cabling Department and Maintenance & Operations` Mechanical Department. Upon request, Contractor shall supply a turnkey operation, including project management, user training, warranties, and documentation, technical support for APS Telecom technicians, and equipment and materials in accordance with APS.

Hardware to be upgraded/replaced/Added:

Data Center – APS will provide VMware for the new Avaya Platform for Communications Manager, System Manger, Session Manager, IX Messaging Admin and IX Port servers (Current G450 Gateways and our new SCB servers will stay in place – SW upgrade only).

City Center – Hardware platform for ESS Communications Manager, Session Manager, IX messaging (ESNA) port server. (Current G450 gateways and our New SCB servers will stay in place – SW upgrade only)

AB3 Site – APS will provide VMware for the new Avaya Platform for ESS Communication Manager, Session Manager, IX Messaging (ESNA) port Server. (Current G450 gateways will stay in place – SW upgrade only) (This site may combine with City Center)

Other APS sites – 155 LSP 8300 servers to support new software. (148 LSPs firmware may not be compatible with new SW and will need to be replaced with current LSPs) (Current G450 gateways and modules will stay in place – SW upgrade only.) Replacement LSPs 8300 should be priced as an option.

Include an option for 20 - J179 phones, 5 –J159 phones, 5 – J139 phones, 3-JBM24 button modules and 3-J100 Wireless modules.

All SW and Licensing to be covered under warranty and maintenance, including hardware at the APS three main sites - Data Center, City Center and AB3. APS will maintain all other sites on a T&M basis as needed after any warranty expires.

Complete in its entirety the Contractor Base Mandatory Requirements and Contractor Base Desirables in Appendix B, attached to this RFP.

1.1 Albuquerque Public School’s Current Avaya Voip System:

Main Data Center Site - Avaya Aura consisting of dual CM servers, 1- System Manager server, 1- Session Manager Server, 2 G450 Gateway’s, 1 Avaya IX messaging (ESNA) VM admin Server, 1 – Avaya IX messaging (ESNA) VM port server, 1 - set of Avaya High Availability SBC servers. Third (3rd) party SIP endpoints and connections.

(Current 18,000 IP ports, Current used 11,300 – can be dropped to 12,000 IP ports)

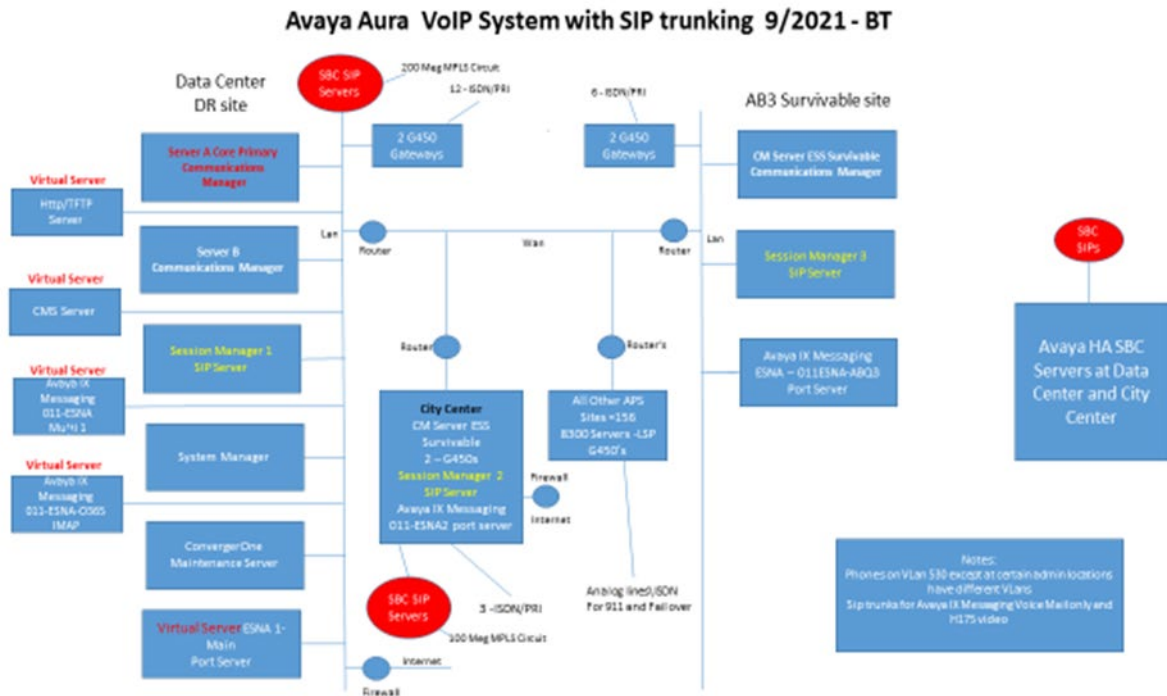
(Mailboxes license 20,000 with 4000 Message and Colab)

City Center site - 1 ESS CM server, 1 Session Manager, 1 Avaya IX messaging ESNA Port sever, 1 set of Avaya High Availability SBC servers, 2 - G450 Gateway's.

Survivable site ABQ 3 - 1 ESS CM server, 1 Session Manager Server, 2 G450 Gateways, 1- Avaya IX Messaging ESNA Port server.

Other 161 Sites - each have 1 - G450 equipped with an 8300 LSP server, a MM711 analog card, MM710 T1/PRI card. All networked consisting of over 11,000 IP phone sets – Avaya 1603, 1608, 1616, 9608, 9641g, 9640, 9670g, 32 button BLF/DSS. With voice services from Lumen (Formerly Century Link and Level 3 (formerly TW Telecom) comprising of SIP trunks, ISDN/PRI, and Analog lines.

The Location Index is found in Appendix A attached to this RFP.



1.3 General Materials Standards

All equipment shall equal or exceed the minimum requirements of BICSI, NEMA, ASME, ANSI/EIA/TIA and Underwriters Laboratories.

Any specified item of equipment or material shall be the product of one manufacturer throughout the facility. Multiple manufacturers of any one item will not be permitted, unless specifically noted otherwise and approved in writing in advance by the APS Telecom Department.

All material and equipment furnished shall be new and unused and free from defects unless refurbished equipment is requested and approved by APS Telecom Department. Material and equipment shall be clean and free of damage or corrosion and shall be of the best quality obtainable for the purpose intended.

To support some older telecommunications equipment, APS may require manufacturer's equipment of a model/year that is not available new and unused. This equipment must carry a minimum of a 1-year warranty and be supported by the manufacturer. All materials furnished shall bear the Underwriters Laboratory, Inc. label, provided a standard is established for the material in question.

All materials shall conform strictly to the standards and specifications put forth in this document. Unless otherwise specified, all products furnished shall be designed, built and installed in accordance with the latest and best practice of the industry, and shall conform to the standards of the BICSI, NEMA, ANSI, EIA/TIA, ICEA, IEEE, and NEC, and these specifications wherever they apply.

1.4 Material Submittals

After receipt of notice to proceed with any given project, and within 30 days of completion, the Contractor shall provide manufacturer's product data that shall include, but is not limited to, illustrations, standard schedules, performance charts, instructions, brochures, and diagrams, and other information furnished to illustrate a product, material or system for some portion of the work within 30 days.

Samples may be requested which shall be physical examples that represent materials, equipment, or workmanship and establish standards by which the work will be judged.

1.5 Communication Cabling and Installation Methods

This contract does not include cabling services. The APS Technology Department will be contacted if any cabling work is required.

1.6 Codes, Regulations, and Standards

All installations shall be in compliance with the requirements of the BICSI, NEC, OSHA, EIA/TIA recommendations, and the rules, regulations and requirements of the FCC.

All installations shall comply with federal, city, county and state laws, ordinances, regulations, and codes as applicable. The Telecommunications and VoIP Distribution Manufacturing Manual and Network Design Reference Manual (most current editions) will apply.

Except as may be modified by the governing codes and by the Contract Documents, the Contractor will comply with the applicable provisions and recommendations of these BICSI published.

1.7 As Builts

As builts shall consist of reproducible drawings, diagrams, schedules, and other data specially prepared for the work by the Contractor, manufacturer, supplier, or distributor to illustrate some portion of the work as required. As builts are to be provided to the Technology Telecom Department and or Facilities Planning & Construction or both, hard copy and electronic media as part of the final deliverable(s) prior to approving any invoicing for payment.

Contractor shall submit As-builts showing detailed plan views and elevations of communications closets showing properly accurately labeled equipment racks and telecommunications and VoIP components installed.

Contractor shall provide the manufacturers' instructions and data sheets for installing, connecting, adjusting, and maintaining all equipment.

1.8 Delivery, Storage, and Handling

The Contractor shall be responsible for the receipt, safe storage, and delivery of materials and equipment to the job site. All products and materials will be shipped and stored in a manner that will protect from damage, weather and entry of debris. Damaged items will not be installed; Contractor will take immediate action to obtain replacement.

Materials (except bulk materials) shall be delivered in the manufacturer's unopened container, fully identified with the manufacturer's name, trade name, type, class, grade, size and color.

Any materials required to be stored shall be suitably sheltered from the elements. Items subject to moisture damage will be stored in dry, heated space. On-site secure storage area may or may not be available. The Contractor shall not store or place materials on APS floors in excess of the floors' designed load limits.

1.9 General Installation Requirements

The locations of after takes, poke-throughs, stub-ups, outlets, panels, equipment racks and other related products as indicated on the drawings will be understood to be approximately correct and will be subject to such revision as may be found necessary or desirable at the time of installation. Particular caution will be exercised with reference to location of concentrators, blocks, outlets etc., with precise and definite locations accepted by the Owner (APS) before proceeding with the installation.

Craft personnel will be required to provide and use the proper tools in the performance of each activity. The tools must be in good working order. The Owner (APS) reserves the right to review the tool lists and tool maintenance procedure for the Contractor.

1.10 Licensing and Personnel Qualifications:

The successful Contractor and sub-Contractors employed by the awarded Contractor performing the work on Avaya equipment for APS must possess Avaya APSS, APDS, ACIS, ACSS, and ACSA certificates as well as current product authorizations for all Avaya equipment. The use of any and all subcontractors must be approved by APS Telecom Department prior to commencing work.

The technician performing on all Avaya equipment for APS must possess the current Product Authorization (PA) for the equipment being worked on by that technician.

With your proposal, Contractor must provide all copies of all certifications referenced in this bid, especially all Avaya certifications. Please, include copy of licenses of all employees that will be used in the performance of this contract. You must provide copies of the certifications/licenses of the employees that meet the qualifications for the (3) three classifications: 1) Avaya Solution Expert Specialization, 2) Avaya Support Select Designation, and 3) Avaya Implementation Specialist that are requested in the proposal.

1.11 Supervision:

The work shall be performed under the direction of a qualified project manager experienced in the trade who shall be thoroughly familiar with the complete requirements and details of the work and shall normally be present on the site during the execution of the work. The cost of such a project manager will be considered as a part of the Contractor's overhead and may not be billed as a separate charge. If the project manager should perform actual verifiable work at a site, Contractor may bill at the appropriate job classification for the hours worked.

1.12 Codes, Fees and Permits:

All work shall be executed in accordance with the current National Electrical Code, as amended by the New Mexico State Electrical Code, local and state ordinances, and regulations governing the particular class of work involved. This Contractor shall be responsible for the final execution of the work under this heading to suit these requirements. In the event of a conflict between the various codes and standards, the more stringent shall govern. On completion of the various parts of the work, the installation shall be tested by the constituted authorities and approved; and, on completion of the work, this Contractor shall obtain and deliver to the APS final certificates of acceptance. The Contractor shall hold and save the Board of Education free and harmless from liability of any kind arising from his failure to comply with codes and ordinances.

Contractor shall secure all permits and licenses for the required work and shall pay all fees in connection with such permits and licenses. The Contractor shall be reimbursed by APS for these permit fees only. No markup will be allowed. Actual copies of permit charges must be submitted with invoices. Similarly, dumping fees and other such intangible charges will be reimbursed with no mark up.

1.13 Standards:

All work and materials shall comply with the recommendations and standards as set forth in the latest edition(s) of pertinent City, State, County and National Codes and Ordinances. If substitute materials, equipment or systems are installed without prior approval or are installed in a manner not in conformance with the requirements of these specifications and for which the Contractor has not received written approval, removal of all the unauthorized materials plus the re-installation of those indicated or specified shall be provided at no extra cost to the Owner (APS). Unless a specific date of issue or revision is cited, the documents listed below are of the current issue in effect. The requirements contained become part of the contract to the extent specified herein.

Listing of Documents:

American National Standards Institute, Inc. (ANSI)
National Electrical Safety Code
X Series

Federal Communication Commission (FCC) Publications
FCC Rules and Regulations - 15
FCC Rules and Regulations - Part 68

Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (OSHA)
Public Law 91 - 596

Insulated Cable Engineers Association (ICEA) Standard
ICEA S - 80 - 576

National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)
National Electrical Code (1993)

Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, Inc. (IEEE)
National Electrical Safety Code
800 Series Standards

Electronics Industries Association (EIA/TIA 568, 569, 606, TSB40)
RS Series Standards

1.14 Inspections, Testing, and Reports:

As applicable, Contractor shall contact APS Telecom and VoIP Supervisor or designee, when work is ready for City inspection. Payment is contingent upon passing any and all inspections. APS will not reimburse Contractor for labor or materials needed to remedy "no pass" work.

APS may inspect projects at any time with or without prior notification to the Contractor. APS shall have the right to observe all work before it is covered. Should any work be covered contrary to request or to any requirement of the contract documents, the APS designee may order it uncovered for his observation. The Contractor or materials installed contrary to the requirements of the contract documents or rejected as defective by APS shall promptly be removed, replaced, or corrected as may be applicable. The cost of this work shall be borne by the Contractor. The Contractor shall notify APS 24 hours in advance before covering up any concealed work or conducting tests by any trade.

System inspection shall be provided through performance of pre-installation, in-progress, and final inspections by the Technology Department or designee. If any of the work is for VOIP the Technology Department will do the final inspection for the VOIP portion. The Technology Department's Network Systems Manager requires 30-days advance notice of any data network requirements to support VoIP systems.

The Contractor may participate in and witness a pre-installation inspection performed by the Owner (APS) and/or authorized representative of equipment and materials to be utilized in this project. All items may be verified for compliance with the requirements of the specifications, drawings, and other referenced standards.

Upon completion of all projects, the successful Contractor shall provide the APS Telecom Department, or its designee, with a complete deliverable package consisting of all material sheets, as built, test results, warranties, et al., before submitting final invoice for payment.

1.15 Acceptability

Tolerance Limits: The Contractor shall be responsible for immediate corrections to the system that will bring it into full compliance with industry standards.

1.16 Additional Testing

The Owner (APS) and/or authorized representative of the Contractor may, at his/her discretion, perform tests in addition to those specified in the Contract Document if there is any reason to question the condition of the material as furnished and installed.

After installation is complete, in addition to any other required testing, and at such times as the Owner (APS), and/or authorized representative may direct, the Contractor shall conduct an operating test for approval. The installation shall be demonstrated to be in accordance with the requirements of these specifications. Any defects revealed shall be promptly corrected at the Contractor's expense and the tests will be conducted again.

1.17 Test Reports

The Contractor shall be responsible for recording and providing to the Owner (APS) all test data / reports upon completion of all projects. Copies of all test results are to be submitted to the Owner (APS) or authorized representative for review and shall remain with the Owner (APS) as permanent records.

1.18 Guarantee / Warranty: The Contractor shall guarantee all materials, equipment and workmanship furnished and installed under this contract to be free from all defects and shall agree to replace at his/her expense, without expense to APS any and all defective equipment, parts, etc., after service is accepted by APS with a 12 month guarantee. This excludes normal maintenance and daily servicing of equipment which is the Owner (APS) responsibility.

1.19 Protection of Adjacent Surfaces: The Contractor shall take all measures necessary during the course of work to protect existing property including adjacent surfaces, equipment, electrical systems, piping, furnishings, and landscaping from damage during the course of the work and shall repair promptly any such damage at his own expense and to the satisfaction of Albuquerque Public Schools. Utility spotting requires a minimum 24-hour notice. This may be obtained by calling the Technology Department at 830-8040.

1.20 Protection of the Work: The Contractor is responsible for the protection and security of all materials, tools, equipment, and installed work until the final acceptance of the work by APS designee.

1.21 Clean-up: The Contractor shall keep the site reasonably clean and neat during the execution of the work, shall remove accumulations of debris at the end of each day, and shall leave all surfaces and areas completely clean at final completion.

1.22 Specification Deviations: General Requirements and Specifications are binding. However, in instances where there is a deviation between the General Requirements and Specifications and the Job Specifications, the Job Specifications or the more stringent shall govern. On any job where there is doubt as to the process of installation to be used, the final decision will be made by an authorized APS Technology Department representative.

1.23 Post-Award Conference: After bid award, the APS Procurement Division will schedule a meeting between the Contractor and applicable APS personnel to outline procedures such as scheduling, when a job may begin, paper flow, inspections, receipt of final documents, invoicing, etc.

2. Materials and Parts

2.1 Parts Supply and Quality: APS has set a standard for telecommunications and VoIP equipment. Avaya Systems equipment is installed in most APS locations and the district will continue to require Avaya equipment. This is not meant to prohibit competition; however, the district has selected to standardize because of problems with repairs, post-sales support, no parts or training available and similar. Bidder must be an authorized dealer and have access to a full line of Avaya equipment and Right to Use and be authorized to sell and maintain same to APS. During the life of the contract, APS may wish to utilize other new models or types of Avaya systems if these are found to be more suitable for a particular application or when new technology becomes available and/or replaces an existing system. This requires the Contractor to be in a partnership with Avaya.

Contractor shall maintain at all times (or have access to) an ample stock of various minor, most commonly used, parts necessary to complete specified work within the required time frame(s). All materials shall be new, unused, and in perfect condition. Any replacement parts shall be of equal or greater quality as compared to the original parts. Any manufacturer's data supplied with the parts shall be submitted to APS Technology Department designee. If conditions would necessitate utilizing used/rebuilt parts, prior approval must be secured from APS Technology Department

In the event of a new installation or a repair, Contractor and APS shall be in agreement as to the exact list of parts and equipment prior to the commencement of any work. The Construction Report Form may be utilized for this purpose. Note that APS currently maintains all systems in house. However, all systems must be installed and maintained in accordance with the manufacturer's standards in a manner that would allow them to qualify for contract maintenance, should APS decide to contract for that service.

Contractor must warrant all installations. This must be accomplished in strict accordance with the recommendations of the manufacturer or as may be required by code. In the event of a conflict with the plans or specifications, Contractor will refer the problem to APS before proceeding. Contractor must also train APS personnel as applicable on new installations and/or provide an adequate number of "seats" at approved training locations.

APS may from time to time order parts or other materials only from this contract as a convenience or because of the nature of a particular work order, but the general intent is for the Contractor to supply all materials and labor for a given job.

2.2 Procurement of Other Materials: APS reserves the right to procure any material through normal procurement channels and to furnish such materials to Contractor for installation. Any such materials shall not be billed or marked up by the Contractor in any manner.

All equipment shall be installed in strict accordance with the recommendations of the manufacturer or as may be required by code. If such recommendations conflict with plans and specifications, the Contractor shall report such conflicts to APS. Changes shall be made as mutually agreed or necessary.

3 Parts, Materials, And Subcontracting:

Due to the variety of materials and parts which may be required and the need for audit-track able charges, this bid will allow the Contractor to offer a pricing structure(s) which can accommodate market variations and other fluctuations. Given the continuing changes in technology and the market place, it is impossible to identify each part or device that may be required during the course of this contract or to estimate anticipated usage.

Accordingly, Contractor will identify materials likely to be used such as, but not limited to, various modules, adapters and couplers, patch cords, patch panels and harmonics, cable management panels, plugs, brackets, etc., and indicate a consistent method of pricing which will apply to all items in the designated category(s). In the event that any categories are later determined to be relative to this scope of work, APS reserves the right to negotiate a pricing structure with a discount from list with the successful bidder(s) at any time.

Pricing will be F.O.B. Albuquerque including cost, insurance, and freight. Include these considerations in your computations. Note that rebates and similar which may be given periodically in a separate transaction to the Contractor by the supplier or manufacturer will belong to the Contractor. APS does expect the pricing to reflect volume quantity discounts and preferred Contractor status.

If the successful Contractor is to utilize services from a subcontractor, those costs shall be billed as a direct pass-through to the District with no fixed fee reimbursement amount added.

Contractor must submit a discount from list for all AVAYA products. This will allow the list to change as the manufacturer or supplier dictates as long as the discount remains constant. This will require that the list prices as published by the manufacturer must be furnished to APS as they are updated or replaced. "Lists" artificially generated by the Contractor will not be accepted. The discount quoted will be taken at face value. If it is listed as -25%, for example, the price of a \$100 item will be \$75. The manufacturer list must be on file with the Procurement Division and updated in a timely fashion.

Due to the variety of materials and parts which may be required and the need for additional tractable charges, this proposal will allow the Contractor to offer the pricing structure of discount from list, which can accommodate market variations and other fluctuations. Given the continuing changes in technology that may be required during the course of this contract or to estimate anticipated usage.

Offeror must be prepared to submit invoices from his or her supplier as proof of contract compliance. Typically, APS and Contractor will agree to a dollar amount above which documentation is required. Small items of nominal value would be generally be excluded. Please do not submit a proposal unless you are able to support the contract in this regard. APS does check invoices and estimates.

Accordingly, Contractor will identify materials **other than AVAYA product**, likely to be used such as, but not limited to, plenum and PVC cable, EMT, various modules, adaptors and couplers, face plates, jacks, brackets, etc. and indicate a discount from list pricing which will apply to all items in the designated category(s). In the event that any categories are determined to be relative to this scope of work, APS reserves the right to negotiate a discount from list pricing structure agreement with the successful Contractor(s) at any time. Pricing will be F.O.B. destination including, cost, insurance and freight. Include these considerations in your computations. Note that rebates and similar which may be given periodically in a separate transaction to the Contractor by the supplier or manufacturer will belong to the Contractor. APS does expect the pricing to reflect volume quantity discounts and preferred Contractor status.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

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Proposals must address each of the following criteria. Each proposal may be awarded points up to the numeric value listed. Points will be awarded in compliance with NMSA 1978, §13-1-21, for New Mexico In-State Resident Business, Native American Resident Business, New Mexico Resident Veteran Business or Native American Resident Veteran Business. If proposal is a Joint Venture, Offeror shall state in submitted proposal the percentage of work that will be performed by each business. Obtain more information:

<http://tax.newmexico.gov/Businesses/in-state-veteran-preference-certification.aspx> **and**
<https://www.generalservices.state.nm.us/statepurchasing/vendorpreferencelist.aspx>

Please Note: An Offeror cannot be awarded both a resident business preference and a resident veteran business preference or a Native American resident preference and a Native American resident veteran contractor preference.

The Preference(s) does not apply if APS is utilizing federal funds.

*****The Offeror should contact Buyer for clarification of evaluation criteria or terminology*****

	Possible Points	Points This RFP
<p>Company Profile & Experience Submit detailed information describing your company’s qualifications providing services as requested in the Scope of Work. Provide information about the company that demonstrates the ability and capacity of the company expressed in terms of its Human Resources (number, quality, skills and experience) physical and material resources, financial resources and information resources (pool of knowledge) Demonstrate your company’s competence as it relates to the competencies required to perform the requested services. Submit a minimum of three (3) past and/or current customers that your company installed Avaya Communications Managers (CM 8.0 or greater) 5000 Ports or more in New Mexico (not APS). Include number of years providing service, contact person name, telephone number and email address.</p>	15	
<p>Offerors Solution Submit information of solution’s use, ability to meet the requirement of the RFP Scope of Work, Maintenance and Customer Support offered. Provide a detailed response to how the solution meets or exceeds the requested capabilities and documentation detailed in the Scope of Work.</p>	30	
<p>Mandatory Requirements and Desirables, Responses to Questions Complete in its entirety Appendix B tables, Contractor Base Mandatory Requirements and Contractor Base Desirables Tables and the list of fifteen (15) questions. Offeror must provide Proof of Insurance, Sub-Contractor Listings, and Copies of all relevant certifications/licenses.</p>	35	
<p>Pricing Submit detailed information stating your company’s pricing to provide services as requested in the Scope of Work and on the Pricing: Labor Rate sheet provided in the RFP. The Pricing sheet must be completed and signed. The Pricing sheet must not be altered.</p>	20	
Total Possible Points	100	
Demonstration (if needed)	50	
<p>New Mexico Resident Business or Native American Resident Business Preference: Eight percent of the total possible points to a resident business. Offeror shall include a copy of their In-State Certificate issued by State of New Mexico Taxation & Revenue Department.</p>	8	
<p>Veteran New Mexico Resident Business or Native American Resident Veteran Business Preference: Ten percent of the total possible points to a resident veteran business or native American resident veteran business preference</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ten percent of the total possible points to a resident veteran business. • •10 points for Resident Veteran Business/Contractor with annual revenues of \$3 million or less as verified by State of NM Tax & Revenue. 	10	
Total Possible Awarded Points	100-168	

SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

ATTENTION:

Proposals must be submitted electronically via Vendor Registry by required date and time as noted on Bid/RFP documents.



<https://vrapp.vendorregistry.com/Vendor/Register/Index/albuquerque-public-schools-nm-vendor-registration>

Important Information: Albuquerque Public Schools Online Bidding System (Vendor Registry) utilizes the Internet and the World Wide Web which is comprised of systems that are completely out APS's control including but not limited to: the District, its agents, and registered suppliers' respective internet service providers. The District and its agents are not responsible for Internet outages, hardware failures, software failures, downtime, internet slowness, acts of God, power failures, and or user errors. All bids/proposals must be submitted before the due date regardless of your organization's ability to submit proposals online. It is the suppliers' responsibility to ensure that Bid/RFP offers arrive before the due date and time.

Proposers understand and agree that technical support may not be readily available the day of and or the hours/minutes prior to a bid closing time (Due Date/Time). Proposers also understand and agree that internet access, browsers, and operating systems are not supported by the District and/or its agents. **Suppliers are strongly encouraged to review, create, and submit all electronic responses several days in advance of the due date and time. Please Note: There is no fee to submit a RFP response, contact Vendor Registry Customer Service for assistance if you see a fee is required.**

PROPOSAL – DETAILED REQUIREMENTS

The Offeror is particularly encouraged to address all evaluation criteria that will be evaluated as described herein. If a factor of evaluation is not adequately responded to by the Offeror, the Offeror may be determined to be non-responsive.

Proposal Format -

Proposals shall not exceed 60 pages total for all of the sections listed below. Each sheet face that is printed with text or graphics counts as one page. Front Cover, Section Dividers, Letter of Transmittal and Required Forms do not count towards page count. **Please upload one file that contains all documentation in Vendor Registry.**

Letter of Transmittal
Company Profile
Experience
Offerors Solution
Appendix B (Mandatory Requirements and Desirables, and Questions)
Price Proposal
Proof of Insurance
Sub-Contractor Listing
Copies of all relevant certifications/licenses
Required Forms

FORMS & ATTACHMENTS

LETTER OF TRANSMITTAL FORM
SUBMIT WITH YOUR PROPOSAL

Items one (1) to four (4) each **MUST** have a response, failure to respond to all four items **WILL** result in the disqualification of your proposal.

1. Identity (Name) and Mailing Address of the submitting organization:

2. For the Person authorized by the organization to contractually obligate the organization:

Name	
Title	
E-Mail Address	
Telephone	

3. For the person authorized to negotiate the contract on behalf of the organization:

Name	
Title	
E-Mail Address	
Telephone	

4. For the person to be contacted for clarifications:

Name	
Title	
E-Mail Address	
Telephone	

- On behalf of the submitting organization named in item one (1) above, I accept APS Terms and Conditions.
- I agree that submission of our proposal constitutes acceptance of the Evaluation Factors contained in this RFP.
- I acknowledge receipt of any and all amendments of this RFP.



Authorized Signature and Date (**Must be signed** by the person identified in Item #2, above.)

PRICING: LABOR RATES

Contractor agrees to perform the work according to the conditions and specifications described herein at the prices stated in the pages following throughout the time period of this contract.

You must provide the material costs and labor rates:

Overtime/holiday rates will be allowable only in emergency situations and only when approved by APS Technology Department.

Labor

	Normal Hourly Rate
TELEPHONE IMPLEMENTATION TECHNICIAN- AVAYA CERTIFIED IMPLEMENTATION SPECIALIST (ACIS) QUALIFIED	
Avaya Software Specialist - AVAYA CERTIFIED IMPLEMENTATION SPECIALIST (ACIS) QUALIFIED	
Project Manager- AVAYA CERTIFIED IMPLEMENTATION SPECIALIST (ACIS) QUALIFIED	

Discount from AVAYA MSRP List

	Percentage
Discount from AVAYA MSRP List	%

Company Name _____

Printed Name _____

Signature _____ **Date** _____

COMPLIANCE

(REQUIRED LEGAL FORMS)

All of the following forms must be signed and submitted with your proposal or your proposal may be rejected.

CAMPAIGN CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE FORM

Pursuant to NMSA 1978, § 13-1-191.1 (2006), any person seeking to enter into a contract with any state agency or local public body **for professional services, a design and build project delivery system, or the design and installation of measures the primary purpose of which is to conserve natural resources** must file this form with that state agency or local public body. This form must be filed even if the contract qualifies as a small purchase or a sole source contract. The Prospective Contractor must disclose whether they, a family member or a representative of the Prospective Contractor has made a campaign contribution to an applicable public official of the state or a local public body during the two years prior to the date on which the Contractor submits a proposal or, in the case of a sole source or small purchase contract, the two years prior to the date the contractor signs the contract, if the aggregate total of contributions given by the Prospective Contractor, a family member or a representative of the Prospective Contractor to the public official exceeds two hundred and fifty dollars (\$250) over the two year period.

Furthermore, the state agency or local public body shall void an executed contract or cancel a solicitation or proposed award for a proposed contract if: 1) a Prospective Contractor, a family member of the prospective Contractor, or a representative of the Prospective Contractor gives a campaign contribution or other thing of value to an applicable public official or the applicable public official's employees during the pendency of the procurement process or 2) a Prospective Contractor fails to submit a fully completed disclosure statement pursuant to the law.

THIS FORM MUST BE FILED BY ANY PROSPECTIVE CONTRACTOR WHETHER OR NOT THEY, THEIR FAMILY MEMBER, OR THEIR REPRESENTATIVE HAS MADE ANY CONTRIBUTIONS SUBJECT TO DISCLOSURE.

The following definitions apply:

“Applicable public official” means a person elected to an office or a person appointed to complete a term of an elected office, who has the authority to award or influence the award of the contract for which the Prospective Contractor is submitting a competitive sealed proposal or who has the authority to negotiate a sole source or small purchase contract that may be awarded without submission of a sealed competitive proposal.

“Campaign Contribution” means a gift, subscription, loan, advance or deposit of money or other thing of value, including the estimated value of an in-kind contribution, that is made to or received by an applicable public official or any person authorized to raise, collect or expend contributions on that official's behalf for the purpose of electing the official to federal, statewide or local office. “Campaign Contribution” includes the payment of a debt incurred in an election campaign, but does not include the value of services provided without compensation or unreimbursed travel or other personal expenses of individuals who volunteer a portion or all of their time on behalf of a candidate or political committee, nor does it include the administrative or solicitation expenses of a political committee that are paid by an organization that sponsors the committee.

“Family member” means spouse, father, mother, child, father-in-law, mother-in-law, daughter-in-law or son-in-law.

“Pendency of the procurement process” means the time period commencing with the public notice of the request for proposals and ending with the award of the contract or the cancellation of the request for proposals.

“Person” means any corporation, partnership, individual, joint venture, association or any other private legal entity.

“**Prospective Contractor**” means a person who is subject to the competitive sealed proposal process set forth in the Procurement Code or is not required to submit a competitive sealed proposal because that person qualifies for a sole source or a small purchase contract.

“**Representative of a Prospective Contractor**” means an officer or director of a corporation, a member or manager of a limited liability corporation, a partner of a partnership or a trustee of a trust of the Prospective Contractor.

DISCLOSURE OF CONTRIBUTIONS:

Contribution Made By: _____

Relation to Prospective Contractor: _____

Name of Applicable Public Official: _____

Date Contribution(s) Made: _____

Amount(s) of Contribution(s) _____

Nature of Contribution(s) _____

Purpose of Contribution(s) _____

Signature Date

Title (position)

– OR –

NO CONTRIBUTIONS IN THE AGGREGATE TOTAL OVER TWO HUNDRED FIFTY DOLLARS (\$250) WERE MADE to an applicable public official by me, a family member or representative.

Signature Date

Title (position) Offeror Business Name



**CONFLICT OF INTEREST, NON-COLLUSION AND
DEBARMENT/SUSPENSION CERTIFICATION FORM**
CONFLICT OF INTEREST

As utilized herein, the term "Vendor" shall mean that entity submitting a proposal to Albuquerque Public Schools in response to the above referenced bids/request for proposals.

The authorized Person, Firm and/or Corporation states that to the best of his/her belief and knowledge:

No employee or board member of Albuquerque Public Schools (or close relative), with the exception of the person(s) identified below, has a direct or indirect financial interest in the Vendor or in the proposed transaction. Vendor neither employs, nor is negotiating to employ, any Albuquerque Public Schools employee, board member or close relative, with the exception of the person(s) identified below. Vendor did not participate, directly or indirectly, in the preparation of specifications upon which the quote or offer is made. If the Vendor is a New Mexico State Legislator or if a New Mexico State Legislator holds a controlling interest in Vendor, please identify the legislator: _____ List below the name(s) of any Albuquerque Public Schools employee, board member or close relative who now or within the preceding 12 months (1) works for the Vendor; (2) has an ownership interest in the Vendor (other than as an owner of less than 1% of Vendor's stock, if Vendor is a publicly traded corporation); (3) is a partner, officer, director, trustee or consultant to the Vendor; (4) has received grant, travel, honoraria or other similar support from Vendor; or (5) has a right to receive royalties from the vendor.

CERTIFICATION OF NON-COLLUSION STATEMENT

Vendor certifies under penalty of perjury that its response to this procurement solicitation is in all respects bona fide, fair, and made without collusion or fraud with any person, joint venture, partnership, corporation or other business or legal entity. Does vendor agree? **YES Initials of Authorized Representative of vendor**

DEBARMENT/SUSPENSION STATUS

The Vendor certifies that it is not suspended, debarred or ineligible from entering into contracts with the Federal Government, or any State agency or local public body, or in receipt of a notice or proposed debarment from any Federal or State agency or local public body. The vendor agrees to provide immediate notice to Albuquerque Public School's Purchasing Department in the event of being suspended, debarred or declared ineligible by any department or agency of the Federal government, or any agency of local public body of the State of New Mexico, or upon receipt of a notice of proposed debarment that is received after the submission of the quote or offer but prior to the award of the purchase order or contract.

CERTIFICATION

The undersigned hereby certifies that he/she has read the above CONFLICT OF INTEREST, NON-COLLUSION and DEBARMENT/SUSPENSION Status requirements and that he/she understands and will comply with these requirements. The undersigned further certifies that they have the authority to certify compliance for the vendor named **and that the information contained in this document is true and accurate to the best of their knowledge.**

SIGN HERE Signature: _____ Date _____

Name of Person Signing (typed or printed): _____

Title: _____

Email: _____

Name of Company (typed or printed): _____

Address: _____ City/ State: _____

BYRD ANTI-LOBBYING AMENDMENT

Contractor must sign and submit to the Owner the following certification:

APPENDIX A, 44C.F.R. PART 1H
CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Certification for Contracts, Grants, Loans, and Cooperative Agreements: The undersigned certifies, to the best of his or her knowledge and belief, that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of an agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of any Federal contract, the making of any Federal grant, the making of any Federal loan, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an Employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form-LLL, "Disclosure Form to Report Lobbying," in accordance with its instructions.
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all sub awards at all tiers (including subcontracts, sub grants, and contracts under grants, loans, and cooperative agreements) and that all sub recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction imposed by section 1352, title 31, U.S. Code. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to a civil penalty of not less than \$10,000 and not more than \$100,000 for each such failure.

The Contractor, certifies or affirms the truthfulness and accuracy of each Statement of its certification and disclosure, if any. In addition, the Contractor understands and agrees that the provisions of 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38, Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements, apply to this certification and disclosure, if any.

Signature of Contractor's Authorized Official

Name and Title of Contractor's Authorized Official

Date

ALBUQUERQUE PUBLIC SCHOOLS
TERMS AND CONDITIONS
STATEMENT OF CONFIDENTIALITY

The undersigned employee of/subcontractor to _____, hereinafter referred to as "Offeror" and/or "Contractor", agrees, during the RFP process, and during the term of the Contract between Contractor and the Albuquerque Public Schools (APS) and forever thereafter, to keep confidential all information and material provided by APS or otherwise acquired by the Employee/Subcontractor, excepting only such information as is already known to the public, and including any such information and material relating to Attachments of this RFP, and relating to any client, vendor, or other party transacting business with APS, and not to release, use or disclose the same except with the prior written permission of APS. This obligation shall survive the termination or cancellation of the Contract between Contractor and APS or of the undersigned's employment or affiliation with Contractor, even if occasioned by Contractor's breach or wrongful termination.

The undersigned recognizes that the disclosure of information may give rise to irreparable injury to APS, a client or customer of APS, or to the owner of such information, inadequately compensable in damages and that, accordingly, APS or such other party may seek and obtain injunctive relief against the breach or threatened breach of the within undertakings, in addition to any other legal remedies which may be available. The undersigned acknowledges that he or she may be personally subject to civil and/or criminal proceedings for such breach or threatened breach.



Signature

Title

Offeror Business Name

Date

PROPOSAL SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS AND CHECKLIST

Please submit your completed proposal, including the following items. Note that the requested information is mandatory and **failure to submit these items with your response may deem it non-responsive and may be disqualified.**

- Letter of Transmittal, **SIGNED**
- Evaluation Criteria Documentation
- Price Proposal
- Completed Conflict of Interest and Debarment/Suspension Form, **SIGNED**
- Campaign Contributions Disclosure Form, **SIGNED**
- Byrd Anti Lobbying Certification SIGNED- For Federal Purchases**
- Statement of Confidentiality, **SIGNED**
- Resident Contractor Or Native American Resident Contractor (or Veteran Resident Contractor or Native American Veteran Resident Contractor) Preference Certificate issued to the Offeror by State of New Mexico Taxation and Revenue – if applicable

Obtain more information:

<http://tax.newmexico.gov/Businesses/in-state-veteran-preference-certification.aspx> **and**
<https://www.generalservices.state.nm.us/statepurchasing/vendorpreferencelist.aspx>

- Addendums (if applicable) – **before** submitting your proposal, please check for addendums here:
<http://www.aps.edu/procurement/current-bids-and-rfps>

** If items are not completed as required, your proposal may be deemed non-responsive.*