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Request for Proposal RFP 3165

Notice is hereby given of the intention of the School Board for the City of Roanoke, Virginia ("School Board", "Owner") to contract for:

NETWORK EQUIPMENT AND LICENSES 2025

Sealed proposals will be received in the Purchasing Office for the ROANOKE CITY SCHOOL BOARD, 40 Douglass Avenue, NW, Roanoke, Virginia 24012.

Delivery of Proposal: It is the responsibility of the vendor to ensure that its proposal is delivered to the place designated for receipt of proposals and by the time set for receipt of proposals. No proposals received after the time designated for receipt of proposals will be considered. Proposals must be in the hands of the officer or agent of the Owner whose duty it is to receive them by the time specified. The officer or agent of the Owner whose duty is to receive proposals will decide when the specified time has arrived and will determine if the proposal was in their possession by that time.

For Hand delivered proposals, sufficient time must be allowed for the building receptionist to contact the Purchasing Office. Receptionist will not be responsible for last minute arrivals or late proposals.

Due Date and Time: January 8, 2025; 3:00 P.M. (EST)

Location: Purchasing Office, Roanoke City Public Schools, 40 Douglass Avenue NW, Roanoke, VA 24012.

In the event that School Board offices are closed due to inclement weather and/or emergency situations prior to or at the time set aside for proposals, the published due date will default to the next open business day at the same time.

This procurement is for contract services, the costs of which Roanoke City Public Schools intends to request funding from the E-rate program which contains certain requirements that bidders must meet, as set forth herein. The Roanoke City School Board reserves the right to reject any proposals that do not comply with these requirements, and/or to not make an award. The winning proposal will be based on the quality of the proposal, the Offeror's reputation, and the price as explained in more detail herein. The Roanoke City School Board will award a contract(s) where in the judgment of the Division, such award is in the best interest of the Division.

ROANOKE CITY SCHOOL BOARD
Eric Thornton
Purchasing Director

Electronic Invitation to Bid/RFP Retrieval Instructions: <u>Full copies of Requests for Proposals, Bids, and Addenda must be retrieved over the Internet at the following address:</u>

https://www.rcps.info/Page/262
Click on "Bids, RFPs, & Cancellations"

In accordance with E-rate requirements the RFP documents are also available online inside the E-rate Form 470 portal. Interested bidders should monitor the Form 470 and the Roanoke City Public Schools (RCPS) web site link above for any updates published regarding this procurement.

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RFP 3165 Network Equipment and Licenses 2025

I. PURPOSE

The purpose and intent of this Request for Proposal ("RFP") is to solicit sealed proposals and enter into a contract(s) for the purchase of specified network equipment from a Vendor ("Offeror", "Proposer") that is needed to operate the Roanoke City Public Schools' broadband Wide Area Network service and Internet access service, and to make the network fully functional. The Roanoke City Public Schools ("RCPS") is also referred to as the School Board of the City of Roanoke ("Owner", "Division").

The Division intends to apply for discounts on the equipment/services listed herein through the federal E-rate program. Several criteria and restrictions pertinent to the E-rate program are included herein and must be met by the successful vendor in order for the proposal to be considered a Qualified Proposal. The Division also intends to use this contract as a master service agreement to be able to make purchases via this agreement outside of the E-rate process.

II. STATEMENT OF NEED AND TECHNICAL SCOPE OF WORK

- A. The Vendor shall furnish and deliver the equipment according to the specifications in **Appendix A**. There are two worksheets in **Appendix A**.
 - 1. Tab 1 Cisco Meraki equipment/licenses.
 - 2. Tab 2 Functional equivalent alternative manufacturer equipment for Tab 1.
- B. A preferred equipment manufacturer and product numbers are listed in Appendix A, Tab 1, but the Division will consider proposals for equipment manufactured by other companies that is equivalent to the quality, functionality, and design of the equipment listed in Tab 1 of Appendix A subject to the restriction set forth in Subsection D below. Should a Vendor wish to include equipment manufactured by a different company in place of the equipment listed in Tab 1, they should complete Tab 2. The Division will be responsible for evaluating the equipment and determining whether the equipment is functionally equivalent.
- C. The Offeror must not propose to sell equipment, or equipment that includes any components manufactured by any company that is deemed to pose an unacceptable risk to the national security of the United States or the security and safety of United States persons ("covered list") pursuant to FCC regulations (47 C.F.R. § 1.50002. As of the issuance date of this RFP, the covered list includes telecommunications and/or video surveillance equipment and associated services manufactured by the companies listed at the FCC's web page: https://www.fcc.gov/supplychain and https://www.fcc.gov/supplychain/coveredlist. Vendors are responsible for monitoring the FCC's web site links to determine whether any other manufacturers are added to the covered list.

D. The equipment that is proposed in Tab 1 and Tab 2 of Appendix A must be interoperable with and compatible with the Division's existing network equipment that is manufactured by Cisco Meraki. Bids for Tab 2 must contain a certification of interoperability by the Offeror. The equipment must be fully supported and managed with the online management interface of Meraki.cisco.com and compatible with all operations of the management interface including reporting.

III. PRICING

- A. Proposals must include a completed, signed Appendix A with the full completion of the applicable tabs, with all required information, showing per unit prices and percentage of E-rate eligibility for each component.
- B. Vendors may submit a bid for the equipment listed in either or both Tab 1 and Tab 2 of Appendix A. A bid for each tab may be partial and not include all the components or may be complete and include all requested items (or their functional equivalent).
- C. RCPS reserves the right to adjust quantities (increase or decrease) for the contract award and implementation of the contract to best meet the Division's needs.
- D. Prices must be inclusive of all taxes, surcharges and shipping charges. The Division will not pay for any costs that exceed the prices quoted in the Vendor's sealed bid.

IV. E-RATE REQUIREMENTS

- A. RCPS intends to apply for discounts on the services/equipment listed in this RFP through the federal Universal Service Support Mechanism for Schools and Libraries, commonly known as "E-rate" and must receive funding approval in order to proceed with the project. The Division intends to apply for E-rate funding on the eligible portion of the Internet charges that qualify for E-rate funding. Billing of E-rate eligible charges separately from non-E-rate eligible charges will be an essential requirement of this procurement.
- B. Offerors submitting proposals under this RFP must agree to meet the following E-rate Program requirements:
 - The Division anticipates notifying the vendor with the highest bid evaluation by January 16, 2025 and to immediately commence contract negotiations. The Offeror must agree to execute a contract on or before January 31, 2025 that reflects the General Terms and Conditions set forth in Section XI and other terms and conditions specific to the services being requested that are mutually negotiated.
 - 2. The Offeror must have a valid E-rate SPIN number (Service Provider Identification Number) and must provide that SPIN in the Proposal submission.
 - 3. The Offeror must agree to timely submit to the SLD a completed Form 473, Service Provider Annual Certification form. The Offeror must also agree to provide a copy of the completed Form 473 to RCPS.
 - 4. The Offeror must agree to provide discounted bills to RCPS that reflect the benefit of approved E- rate discounts and that invoice RCPS for the non-discounted amount (the amount not paid by E- rate) if the Division so chooses. The Offeror must agree to invoice the E-rate administrator for the amount of the E-rate discounts if the Division so chooses.
 - 5. The Offeror must separately itemize the cost of E-rate eligible and ineligible products and/or services in its price proposal. The Offeror is responsible for determining what items are eligible by reviewing the

Eligible Services List at www.usac.org/sl and/or by calling the SLD Client Service Bureau at 888-203-8100.

- 6. The Offeror must be in good standing with the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") and have no debts outstanding that are owed to the FCC and must not be placed on Red Light Status. See https://apps.fcc.gov/cores/userLogin.do. The Offeror must immediately notify RCPS in any event that the FCC places the Offeror on Red Light Status and must take immediate measures to resolve and remove its Red Light Status. Offeror's Red Light Status constitutes a material breach of contract and RCPS reserves the right to cancel the Agreement of the parties immediately and without incurring any termination charges.
- 7. If the Offeror learns of any federal, state or local investigation conducted by any regulatory authority that could have an impact on RCPS's ability to continue to receive the benefit of E-rate funding, the Offeror must notify RCPS within 30 days of learning of such investigation. RCPS reserves the right to cancel the agreement without penalty if the investigation impedes RCPS' ability in any way to receive the benefit of E-rate funding.
- 8. Lowest Corresponding Price. Offeror is required to certify that the prices in its proposal represent the "Lowest corresponding price" which is defined as the lowest price that a service provider charges to non-residential customers who are similarly situated to a particular school, library, or library consortium for similar services. 47 C.F.R. §54.500; See also 47 C.F.R. §54.511(b).
- 9. The Contractor will retain all records pertaining to this RFP and award for a period of ten years from the last date of the E-rate funding year, which shall be September 30, 2026 unless the Division opts to extend the contract for one year through September 30, 2027 pursuant to Section VI.
- 10. The Contractor may not make any substitutions or deviate in any way from the itemized specifications contained in their bid without first seeking prior written authorization from the Division. If required, the Contractor must cooperate with the Division in submitting any service substitution requests to obtain E-rate approval.

V. SITE INFORMATION, INCLUDING SITE VISITS AND VENDOR INQUIRIES

- A. Site visits are not being offered because this procurement does not include any installation services.
- B. All material information and requirements that are available are set forth in this RFP and appendices. Questions seeking clarification of the requirements of the RFP shall be submitted via email to Eric Thornton, ethornton@rcps.info. Answers to questions shall be posted to the RCPS purchasing website and to the Erate Form 470 web site. Vendors are responsible for periodically monitoring the E-rate Form 470 web site and/or RCPS purchasing web site for updates. It is suggested that vendors check for updates routinely. The last day for the acceptance of inquiries and clarifications is **December 18, 2024** by 10:00 A.M. local time and the answers will be posted no later than **December 20, 2024** by 2:00 P.M. local time.

VI. CONTRACT PERIOD

The contract period will be from April 1, 2025 through September 30, 2026, which is the 18-month period that the E-rate program permits the ordering and delivery of the equipment and services associated with this procurement. The Division reserves the right to exercise its discretion to voluntarily extend the contract for

one additional year through September 30, 2027 in the event that the Division needs additional time to purchase and install the equipment.

VII. PROPOSAL PREPARATION AND MANDATORY SUBMITTAL REQUIREMENTS

A. General Requirements

- 1. RFP Response: Mandatory requirements for submission of a valid RFP follow. In the event that any of these requirements is not met, the proposal is disqualified from consideration.
 - Offerors must submit a complete response to this RFP that includes the cost for the
 equipment and services. The completion of *at least one* of the worksheets in Appendix A, Tab
 1 or Tab 1A in the prescribed format is mandatory.
 - b. Offerors must provide one (1) original clearly marked "ORIGINAL", one (1) redacted copy on a USB drive that omits any proprietary or confidential information that the Offeror requests be withheld from public view, three (3) hard copies and two (2) individual USBs including all documentation provided in the original response. These documents on USB drives must be in an editable format (Microsoft Word and Excel). Each proposal must be submitted to Roanoke City Public Schools, Attention: Eric Thornton, 40 Douglass Ave. NW, Roanoke, VA 24012. Identify on outside of envelope: RFP Number 3165, January 8, 2025 Due Date for submittal. No other distribution of the proposal shall be made by the Offeror.
 - Offerors must provide a description of their E-rate experience and success with using the "SPI" method of receiving E-rate reimbursements using FCC Form 474.
 - d. Offerors must confirm their commitment to bill the Owner for the amounts and description of charges as set forth in the Offeror's proposal and the parties' agreement subject to any preauthorized change orders and/or E-rate approved service substitutions. Offeror must be willing to confer with Owner regarding invoice format to ensure that the invoice complies with E-rate requirements.
 - e. An Offeror on Red Light Status with the FCC is automatically disqualified.
 - f. An Offeror not authorized to do business in Virginia is automatically disqualified.
 - g. An Offeror's proposal that has not disclosed all taxes, fees, surcharges, etc. and their amounts or percentages in their proposal may be disqualified in the Owner's discretion which shall not be exercised arbitrarily.
 - h. An Offeror that is not deemed a "qualified" bidder as a result of reference checks and other research conducted by the Owner is disqualified.
 - i. An Offeror that does not have place of business is located within a 220-mile radius of the geographic area of the Division's boundaries is disqualified.

2. Proposal Preparation

a. The Proposal shall be signed by an authorized representative of the Offeror. All

information requested should be submitted. Failure to submit all information requested may result in RCPS requiring prompt submission of missing information and/or giving a lowered evaluation of the proposal.

- b. The Proposal should be prepared simply and economically, providing a straight-forward, concise description of capabilities to satisfy the requirements of the RFP. Emphasis should be placed on completeness and clarity of content.
- c. Proposals should be organized in the order in which the requirements are presented in the RFP. All pages of the proposal should be numbered. Each paragraph in the proposal should reference the paragraph number of the corresponding section of the RFP. It is also helpful to cite the paragraph number, sub letter, and repeat the text of the requirements as it appears in the RFP. If a response covers more than one page, the proposal should contain a table of contents which cross references the RFP requirements. Information which the Offeror desires to present that does not fall within any of the requirements of the RFP should be inserted at an appropriate place or be attached at the end of the proposal and designated as additional material.
- d. Each copy of the proposal should be bound or contained in a single volume where practical. All documentation submitted with the proposal should be contained in that single volume.
- e. Ownership of all data, materials, and documentation originated and prepared for the Roanoke City School Board pursuant to the proposal shall belong exclusively to the Roanoke City School Board and be subject to public inspection in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by the Offeror shall not be subject to public disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, unless otherwise required by law or a court; however, the Offeror must invoke the protection of Section 2.2-4332(F) of the Code of Virginia, in writing, either before or at the time the data or other material is submitted. The written notice must SPECIFICALLY identity the data or materials to be protected and state the reason why protection is necessary. The proprietary or trade secret material submitted must be identified by some distinct method such as highlighting or underlining and must indicate only the specific words, figures, or paragraphs that constitute trade secret or proprietary information. The classification of an entire proposal document, lineitem prices, and/or total proposal prices as proprietary, or trade secrets, is NOT ACCEPTABLE and may result in REJECTION of the proposal.
- 3. Oral Presentations and/or Technical Demonstrations:

Offerors who submit a proposal in response to this RFP may be required to give an oral presentation and/or technical demonstration of their proposal to RCPS. This provides an opportunity for the Offeror to clarify or elaborate on the proposal. This is a fact finding and explanation session only and does not include negotiations. RCPS will schedule a time and location for these meetings. These meetings are an option of RCPS and may or may not be conducted.

B. Specific Requirements

- 1. Offerors should submit the following information/items as a complete proposal:
 - a. The return of your RFP proposal and addenda signed and completed.

b. Documentation of the Offeror's authority to conduct business in the Commonwealth of Virginia such as a business license, documentation of corporation status through the State Corporation Commission, or other documentation as appropriate.

2. A typed response describing:

- a. Offeror's organization data, including years in business, size and structure of the company; a description of the Offeror's history in providing the required services. This is redundant to Executive Overview requirement.
- b. Describe your method and plan for providing the service described herein (Section III Statement of Need and Technical Scope of Work and Section V. Method and Plan).
- c. Listing of the Offeror's management and staff personnel to be used for this project detailing qualifications and experience relative to the services described herein. Include resume for personnel and document the individual certifications.
- d. Provide a price schedule for all prices that you would propose to charge under any contract resulting from this solicitation. Provide information about conveying price increases or decreases at the time the contract is negotiated for renewal.
- f. Submit any other information that is believed to be relevant in evaluating the proposal. If applicable, Offerors must provide documentation to establish that the equipment is in fact equivalent and compatible with RCPS existing equipment.

C. Calendar of Events

Action

Release RFP
Receive Written Inquiries (no later than)
Answer Written Inquiries
Due Date for Proposals
Notification to Winning Bidder
Executed Agreement Deadline

Date

December 11, 2024 December 18, 2024 (10:00 A.M.) December 20, 2024 (2:00 P.M.) January 8, 2025 (3:00 P.M.) January 16, 2025 January 31, 2025

VIII. EVALUATION AND AWARD OF CONTRACT:

A. Proposals shall be evaluated using the following criteria that meet the E-rate "cost effectiveness" standard of review and also complies with state law:

#	Criteria	Maximum # Points
1	Method and plan for providing services described herein; including integrity and approach in providing services described herein including Expertise, experience, and qualifications of the Offeror's personnel in providing services as related to the Statement of Need and Technical Scope of Work; Staff/Individual Certifications; whether Offeror has an office located within a 100 mile radius of Roanoke City Public Schools.	39
2	References & Financial Responsibility of the Offeror.	10

3	Price of E-rate Eligible Services	51
	Total Maximum # Points	100

B. Award

- 1. Selection shall be made of the Offeror deemed to be fully qualified and best suited among those submitting proposals on the basis of the evaluation factors included in the Request for Proposal.
- 2. RCPS may cancel this Request for Proposal or reject proposals at any time prior to an award and is not required to furnish a statement of the reason why a particular proposal was not deemed to be the most advantageous (Section 2.2-4319 and Section 2.2-4359, Code of Virginia).
- 3. The award document will be RCPS Standard Contract incorporating by reference all the requirements, terms, and conditions of the solicitation and the contractor's proposalas negotiated.
- 4. Award information will be posted on the RCPS Purchasing Department website, https://www.rcps.info/Page/262 under "Awards."

IX. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

- A. **Taxes**: State sales and use tax certificate of exemption, Form ST-12 will be issued upon request, if you do not have same on file. Deliveries against this proposal shall be free of excise or transportation taxes.
- B. **Mandatory use of RCPS Forms and Terms and Conditions:** Failure to submit a proposal on the official forms provided for that purpose shall be a cause for rejection of the proposal. Return of the completed document is required. Modification of or additions to any portion of the solicitation may be cause for rejection of the proposal; however, RCPS reserves the right to decide, on a case-by-case basis, in its sole discretion, whether or not to reject such a proposal as non-responsive. Supplementary data and information which respond to inquiries, demonstrate qualifications and expertise, etc., may be attached to the proposal forms.
- C. **Precedence of Terms**: Except for Paragraphs A and B of the General Terms and Conditions for Professional Services, which shall apply in all instances, in the event there is a conflict between the Generals Terms and Conditions for Professional Services and any Special Terms and Conditions used in a particular procurement, the Special Terms and Conditions shall apply.
- D. **Default:** In case of failure to deliver the reports, documents or services in accordance with the contract terms and conditions, RCPS, after due oral and written notice, may procure from other sources and hold Contractor responsible for any resulting additional procurement and administrative costs. This remedy shall be in addition to any other remedies which RCPS may have.
- E. **Assignment of Contract**: A contract shall not be assignable by the Contractor in whole or in part without the written consent of RCPS.
- F. Antitrust: By entering into a contract, the Offeror conveys, sells, assigns, and transfers to RCPS all rights, title and interest in and to all causes of the action it may now or hereafter acquire under the antitrust laws of the United States and the Commonwealth of Virginia, relating to the particular goods or services purchased or acquired by RCPS under said contract.

- G. **Ethics in Public Contracting:** By submitting the proposal, all Offerors certify and warrant that their proposals are made without collusion or fraud and that they have not offered or received any kickbacks or inducements from any other Offeror, supplier, manufacturer, or subcontractor in connection with their proposal, and that they have not conferred on any public employee having official responsibility for this procurement transaction any payment, loan, subscription, advance, deposit of money, services or anything, present or promised, unless consideration of substantially equal or greater value is exchanged.
- H. **Anti-Discrimination:** By submitting their proposal, all Offerors certify to RCPS that they will conform to the provisions of the Federal Civil Rights Act of 1964, as amended, as well as the Virginia Fair Employment Act of 1975, as amended, where applicable, and Section 11-51 of the Virginia Public Procurement Act which provides:

In every contract over \$10,000, the provisions 1 and 2 below apply:

- 1. During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:
 - The contractor will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of race, religion, color, sex or national origin, except where religion, sex or national origin is a bona fide occupational qualification reasonably necessary to the normal operation of the contractor. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices setting forth the provisions of this nondiscrimination clause.
 - The contractor, in all solicitations or advertisements for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, will state that such contractor is an equal opportunity employer.
 - Notices, advertisements and solicitations placed in accordance with federal law, rule or regulation shall be deemed sufficient for the purpose of meeting the requirements of this section.
- 2. The contractor will include the provisions of paragraphs 1, above, in every subcontract or purchase order over \$10,000 so that the provisions will be binding upon each subcontractor or vendor.
- I. **Debarment Status:** By submitting a proposal, all Offerors certify that they are not currently debarred from submitting proposals on contracts by any agency of the Commonwealth of Virginia, nor are they an agent of any person or entity that is currently debarred from submitting proposals on contracts by any agency of the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- J. Applicable Law and Courts: Any contract resulting from this solicitation shall be governed in all respects by the laws of the Commonwealth of Virginia and any litigation with respect thereto shall be brought in the courts of the Commonwealth. The contractor shall comply with applicable federal, state and local laws and regulations.
- K. Qualifications of Offerors: RCPS may make such reasonable investigations as deemed proper and necessary to determine the ability of the Offeror to perform the work and the Offeror shall furnish to RCPS all such information and data for this purpose as may be requested. RCPS reserves the right to inspect Offeror's physical plant prior to award to satisfy questions regarding the Offeror's capabilities. RCPS further reserves the right to reject any proposal if the evidence submitted by, or investigations of such Offeror fails to satisfy RCPS that such Offeror is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the contract and to complete the work contemplated therein.

- L. **Anti-Collusion Certification:** By signing the proposal, the Offeror certifies that the proposal is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm or person submitting a proposal for the same materials, supplies, or equipment, and is in all respects fair and without collusion or fraud. The Offeror understands that collusive bidding is a violation of the Virginia Governmental Frauds Act and Federal Law and can result in fines, prison sentences, and civil damage awards. The Offeror agrees to abide by all conditions of the proposal and certifies that the individual signing the proposal is authorized to do so.
- M. **Payment Terms:** Any payment terms requiring payment in less than 30 days will be regarded as requiring payment 30 days after invoice or delivery, whichever occurs last. This shall not affect offers of discounts for payment in less than 30 day, however, the Offeror will work with RCPS to set a timeline at the point in time that the contract is funded. If the schedule cannot be achieved within the timeline agreed upon due to the fault of the vendor, RCPS may deduct 1% of the total costs per day until the project is complete.
- N. **Immigration Reform & Control Act of 1986:** By submitting a proposal, Offerors certify that they do not and will not, during the performance of this contract, employ illegal alien workers or otherwise violate the provisions of the Federal Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986.
- O. **Asbestos:** Comply with applicable Federal, State and Local regulations
 - 1. Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA) regulations contained in 40 CFR 763.
 - Title 29, Code of Federal Regulations, Section 1910.134, 1910.1001, 1910.1200, 1926.58, and 1926.1101 of the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), US. Department of Labor.
 - 3. Title 40, Code of Federal Regulations, EPA workplace guidelines include those pertinent sections of part I and II, EPA Guideline document 560/5-S5-024, "Guidance for Controlling Asbestos Containing Materials in Buildings".
 - 4. All State, County, and City codes and ordinances as applicable.
- P. **Lead:** Comply with applicable Federal, State and Local regulations
 - 1. Title 29, Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), U.S. Department of Labor:
 - 1910 General Industry Standards
 - 1910.1025 Lead Standard for General Industry
 - 1910.134 Respiratory Protection
 - 1910.1200 Hazard Communication
 - 1910.245 Specifications for Accident Prevention (Sign and Tags)
 - 1926.62 Lead Exposure in Construction
 - 2. Title 40, CFR Part 50, Appendix G, National Ambient Air Quality for Lead.
 - 3. ASTM-American Society for Testing Materials
 - 4. ANSI Z288.2.8 Practices for Respiratory Protection
 - 5. ANSI Z9.2 1979 Fundamentals Governing the Design and Operation of Local Exhaust systems
 - 6. United States Housing and Urban Development (HUD) Guidelines for the Evaluation and Control of Lead-Based Paint in Housing, revised, October, 1997
 - 7. Code of Virginia, Lead-Based Paint Activities VAC 15-30-650
 - 8. Virginia Department of Environmental Quality, Hazardous Waste Management Regulations 9VAC 20-60-10 thru 1480

- 9. USEPA 40 CFR Part 260 Hazardous waste management system
- 10. USEPA 40 CFR Part 261 Identification and listing of hazardous waste
- 11. USEPA 40 CFR Part 262 Standards applicable to generators of hazardous waste
- 12. USEPA 40 CFR Part 263 Standards applicable to transporters of hazardous waste
- 13. USEPA 40 CFR Part 264 Standards for owners and operators of hazardous waste treatment, storage and disposal facilities
- 14. USEPA 40 CFR Part 265 Interim status standards for owners and operators of hazardous waste treatment, storage and disposal facilities
- 15. USEPA 40 CFR part 266 Standards for the management of specific hazardous waste and specific types of hazardous waste management facilities
- 16. USEPA 40 CFR Part 267 Interim standards for owners and operators of new hazardous waste land disposal facilities
- 17. USEPA 40 CFR Part 268 Land disposal restrictions
- 18. USEPA 40 CFR Part 269 EPA administered permit programs: The Hazardous Waste Permit Program
- 19. USEPA 40 CFR Part 270 Requirements for authorization of State hazardous waste programs
- 20. USEPA 40 CFR Part 270 Approved State hazardous waste management programs
- Q. These terms and conditions are made a part of any resulting contract.

X. SPECIAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

A. Insurance

Prior to the start of any work under the contract, the Contractor shall provide to RCPS
 Certificate of Insurance Forms approved by RCPS and maintain such insurance untilthe
 completion of all project orders issued under the contract. The minimum limits of liability
 shall be:

Workers' Compensation-Standard Virginia Workers Compensation Policy

Broad Form Comprehensive General Liability --\$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit coverage to include:

Premises-Operations; Products/Completed Operations; Contractual; Independent Contractors; RCPS and Contractor's Protective; Personal Injury (Libel, Slander, Defamation of Character, etc.);

Automobile Liability-\$1,000,000 Combined Single Limit

- B. Audit: The Offeror agrees to retain all books, records, invoices, and other documents relative to this contract for ten (10) years after the last date of provision of services in the term of the contract including any extension terms that are exercised by RCPS. RCPS shall have full access to and the right to examine any of said materials during said period.
- C. **Termination of Contract**: RCPS reserves the right to cancel and terminate any resulting contract, in part or in whole, without penalty, upon 60 days written notice to the Contractor. Any contract cancellation notice shall not relieve the contractor of the obligation to deliverany outstanding orders issued prior to the effective date of cancellation.
- D. **Modification of Contract:** RCPS may, upon mutual agreement with the Offeror, issue written modifications to the statement of needs as a part of this contract, except that no modifications can be made which will result in an increase of the original project order contract price by \$50,000 or a

cumulative amount of more than 25%, whichever is greater, without the advance written approval of the Superintendent or her designee. In making any modification, the resulting increase or decrease in cost for the modification shall be determined by one of the following methods as selected by RCPS in accordance with the requirements of the Public Procurement Act.

- E. Ownership of Materials: Ownership of all data, materials, and documentation originated and prepared for the Roanoke City School Board pursuant to the proposal shall belong exclusively to the Roanoke City School Board and be subject to public inspection in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act. Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by the Offeror shall not be subject to public disclosure under the Freedom of Information Act, unless otherwise required by law or a court; however, the Offeror must invoke the protection of Section 2.2-4332(F) of the Code of Virginia, in writing, either before or at the time the data or other material is submitted. The written notice must SPECIFICALLY identity the data or materials to be protected and state the reason why protection is necessary. The proprietary or trade secret material submitted must be identified by some distinct method such as highlighting or underlining and must indicate only the specific words, figures, or paragraphs that constitute trade secret or proprietary information. The classification of an entire proposal document, line-item prices, and/or total proposal prices as proprietary, or trade secrets, is NOT ACCEPTABLE and may result in REJECTION of the proposal.
- F. **Subcontracts:** No portion of work shall be subcontracted without prior written consent of RCPS. In the event the Contractor desires to subcontract some or part of the work specified herein, the Contractor shall furnish RCPS the names, qualifications, and experience of their proposed subcontractors. The Contractor shall, however, remain fully liable and responsible for the work done by the subcontractor(s) and shall assure compliance with all contract requirements.
- G. Indemnification: The contractor agrees to be responsible for, indemnify, defend, and hold harmless RCPS, its officers, agents, and employees from the payment of all sums of money by reason of any claim against them arising out of any and all occurrences resulting in bodily or mental injury or property damage that may happen to occur in connection with and during the performance of the contract, including but not limited to claims under the Workers' Compensation Act. The contractor agrees that it will, at all times, after the completion of the work, be responsible for, indemnify, defend and hold harmless RCPS, its officers, agents and employees from all liabilities resulting from bodily or mental injury or property damage directly or indirectly arising out of the performance or nonperformance of the contractor.
- H. **Proposal Acceptance Period:** Any proposal resulting from this solicitation shall be valid for 90 days. At the end of the 90 days, the proposal may be withdrawn at the "written" request of the Offeror. If the proposal is not withdrawn at that time, it remains in effect until an award is made or the solicitation is canceled. Withdrawal of proposals due to error shall be in accordance with Section II-54 (ii), Code of Virginia.
- I. Late proposals: To be considered for award, proposals must be received by Roanoke City Public Schools, Attention Eric Thornton, 40 Douglass Ave NW, Roanoke, VA 24012, by the designated opening date and hour. The official time used in the receipt of proposals is that time on the clock located in RCPS Purchasing Department. Proposals received after the designated opening date and hour are automatically disqualified and will not be considered. Roanoke City Public Schools is not responsible for delays in the delivery of mail by the U.S. Postal Service, private couriers, or another means of delivery. It is the sole responsibility of the Offeror to ensure that its proposal reaches Roanoke City Public Schools Purchasing Department by the designated date and hour.

- J. **Debarment Status:** By submitting a proposal, all Offerors certify that they are not currently debarred from submitting proposals on contracts by any agency of the Commonwealth of Virginia, nor are they an agent of any person or entity that is currently debarred from submitting proposals on contracts by any agency of the Commonwealth of Virginia.
- K. Gifts by Offeror, Contractor or Subcontractor: No Offeror, contractor or subcontractor shall confer on any public employee having official responsibility for a procurement transaction any payment, loan, subscription, advance, deposit of money, services, or anything of more than nominal value, present or promised, unless consideration of substantially equal or greater value is exchanged.
- L. Qualification of Offerors: Roanoke City Public Schools may make such reasonable investigations as deemed proper and necessary to determine the ability of the Offeror to perform the work and the Offeror shall furnish to Roanoke City Public Schools all such information and data for this purpose as may be requested. Roanoke City Public Schools reserves the right to inspect Offeror's physical plant prior to award to satisfy questions regarding the Offeror's capabilities. Roanoke City Public Schools further reserves the right to reject any proposal if the evidence submitted by, or investigations of, such Offeror fails to satisfy Roanoke City Public Schools that such Offeror is properly qualified to carry out the obligations of the contract and to complete the work contemplated therein.
- M. **Availability of Funds:** It is understood and agreed between the parties herein that RCPS shall be bound hereunder only to the extent of the funds available, or which may hereafter become available for the purpose of this agreement.
- N. **Contract Documents:** The contract entered into by the parties shall consist of the Request for Proposal, any issued Addenda, the signed proposal submitted by the Contractor, Roanoke City Public Schools Standard Contract form, the General and Special Terms and Conditions, the Statement of Need including all modifications thereof, all of which shall be referred to collectively as the Contract Documents.
- O. **Rejection of Proposals:** The Superintendent or Superintendent's designee, on behalf of the School Board, reserves the right to reject any and all proposals.
- P. **Procedure for Protest:** Any vendor submitting a proposal may protest the award or decision to award a contract by submitting a written protest to the Superintendent, SCHOOL BOARD of the CITY of ROANOKE, no later than ten (10) days after the award or the announcement of the decision to award whichever occurs first. The written protest shall include the basis for the protest and the relief sought (Section 2.2-4360, Code of Virginia).
- Q. It shall be the Offeror's responsibility to obtain any published addenda by checking our Web Site at: https://www.rcps.info/Page/262 for a copy of all addenda issued prior to the proposal due date. Because two or more addenda are sometimes issued, it is suggested that vendors check the Web Site frequently. Current RFPs and addenda are also listed on the Web Site.
- R. These terms and conditions are made a part of any resulting contract.

XI. ADDITIONAL FORMS

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION FORM

This form must be returned with response to solicitation

Virginia State Corporation Commission ("SCC") registration information. The undersigned Offeror:
-ORis <u>not</u> a corporation, limited liability company, limited partnership, registered limited liability partnership, or business trust
is an out-of-state business entity that does not regularly and continuously maintain as part of its ordinary and customary business any employees, agents, offices, facilities, or inventories in Virginia (not counting any employees or agents in Virginia who merely solicit orders that require acceptance outside Virginia before they become contracts, and not counting any incidental presence of the offeror in Virginia that is needed in order to assemble, maintain, and repair goods in accordance with the contracts by which such goods were sold and shipped into Virginia from offeror's out-of-state location)
-ORis an out-of-state business entity that is including with this proposal an opinion of legal counsel which accurately and completely discloses the undersigned offeror's current contacts with Virginia and describes why those contacts do not constitute the transaction of business in Virginia within the meaning of § 13.1-757 or other similar provisions in Titles 13.1 or 50 of the Code of Virginia.
NOTE Check the following if you have not completed any of the foregoing options but currently have pending before the SCC an application for authority to transact business in the Commonwealth of Virginia and wish to be considered for a waiver to allow you to submit the SCC identification number after the due date for proposals (the Commonwealth reserves the right to determine in its sole discretion whether to allow such waiver):
Signature: Date:
Printed Name
Title:
Name of Firm:

PROPRIETARY AND CONFIDENTIAL INFORMATION FORM

This form must be returned with response to solicitation

Trade secrets or proprietary information submitted by an Offeror shall not be subject to public disclosure under the *Virginia Freedom of Information Act*; however, the Offeror must invoke the protections of § 2.2- 4342F of the *Code of Virginia*, in writing, either before or at the time the data or other material is submitted. The written notice must specifically identify the data or materials to be protected including the section of the proposal in which it is contained and the page numbers and state the reasons why protection is necessary. The proprietary or trade secret material submitted in the original and all copies of the proposal must be identified by some distinct method such as highlighting or underlining and must indicate only the specific words, figures, or paragraphs that constitute trade secret or proprietary information. In addition, a summary of proprietary information submitted shall be submitted on this form. The classification of an entire proposal document, line-item prices, and/or total proposal prices as proprietary or trade secrets is not acceptable. If, after being given five business days, the Offeror refuses to withdraw such a classification designation, the proposal will be rejected.

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No portion of this proposal is to	be considered confider	ntial and/or proprietary.				
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^{*}Attachments may be made to this form for further clarification, but this form shall serve as the official request to invoke the protections of § 2.2- 4342F of the Code of Virginia.

ANTI-COLLUSION CERTIFICATION

The Offeror certifies that this proposal response is made without prior understanding, agreement, or connection with any corporation, firm, or person submitting a proposal for the same product and that this proposal is in all respects bona fide, fair, and not the result of any act of fraud or collusion with another person or firm engaged in the same line of business or commerce. The Offeror understands collusive bidding is a violation of Federal Law and that any false statement hereunder constitutes a felony and can result in fines, imprisonment, as well as civil damages. The Offeror also understands that failure to sign this statement will make the proposal non-responsive and unqualified for award.

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Request for Taxpayer Identification Number and Certification

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Form W-9 (Rev. 10-2018)

Reference Form

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Certification of Proposal

RFP 3165 Network Equipment and Licenses 2025

The undersigned certifies a comprehension of the specifications in the foregoing proposal, and that the merchandise or service submitted for this proposal meets or exceeds the specifications as listed herein. The successful vendor certifies that the vendor, all principals and sub recipients, are not suspended or debarred from providing the services described in this contract. Further, Roanoke City Public Schools reserves the right to review the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement or Non-procurement Programs to determine that the successful vendor, including all principals and sub recipients, has not been suspended or debarred from providing the services described in this contract.

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Company Mailing Address	
Company City, State, Zip	
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Roanoke City Public Schools Closing Time and Due Date of	