

**TO:** Board of Directors  
Region One Education Service Center

**SUBJECT:** Child Nutrition Program-South Texas Cooperative Food Service Uniforms and Marketing Items, RFP 15-10-03, Extension 2 of 2

**DATE:** December 19, 2017

**ITEM 11:** Action

**BACKGROUND AND SIGNIFICANT ISSUES:** This request for proposal (RFP) allows the Region One Education Service Center, and the Child Nutrition Program-South Texas Cooperative (CNP-STC) members, the opportunity to contract with qualified vendors for food service uniforms and marketing items on an as-needed basis to procure good and/or services that include, but not be limited to shirts, pants, aprons, caps, name tags, pencils, pens, plaques, embroidery, silk-screening, menu board systems, signage systems, and customized packaging. Item descriptions, specifications and/or technical requirements and estimated quantities and pricing, and/or price lists and/or catalogs have been provided by each vendor enclosed. CNP-STC members are required to conduct a cost or price analysis for the procurement of goods and/or services not listed in the items tab, and within the scope of services offered with this bid solicitation. CNP-STC members are responsible for the selection of goods and/or services available to meet their needs.

On November 20, 2014 the Region One ESC Purchasing Department received seven (7) responses to CNP-STC Food Service Uniforms and Marketing Items RFP 15-10-03. On December 16, 2014 the Region One ESC Board of Directors met to review and approve the recommendation for CNP-STC Food Service Uniforms and Marketing Items RFP 15-10-03, effective January 1, 2015 through December 31, 2016 with the option to extend up to two (2) additional one-year periods if all parties are in agreement; seven (7) vendors were awarded. On December 15, 2016 the Region One ESC Board of Directors met to review and approve the recommendation to utilize the first of two (2) one-year extension options. Six (6) vendors agreed to the extension option, and one (1) company: *Solice Technologies Powered by Echo Eight, Inc. - Brownsville, TX*, did not submit the required extension agreement and vendor certifications/affidavits, despite multiple attempts to contact them, and were removed from the list of awarded vendors, effective January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2017.

On behalf of the CNP-STC membership, the current vendors were offered, and accepted, the opportunity to utilize the final one (1) one-year extension option. The extension agreement is effective January 1, 2018 through December 31, 2018. Bid tabulations are enclosed for review and consideration.

**RELATED GOAL:** To assist the ESC and its cooperative members in Region One and other school districts, charter schools, and governmental entities throughout the State operate more efficiently and economically (TEC §8.002).

**COST AND FUNDING SOURCES:** Region One Education Service Center programs and its cooperative members order products and/or services directly through the awarded vendor(s).

**EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S RECOMMENDATION:** Recommend approval of Child Nutrition Program – South Texas Cooperative Food Service Uniforms and Marketing Items RFP 15-10-03, Extension 2 of 2, to the following vendors: *Patricia Garcia dba Ace Promotions - San Benito, TX; Elite Promotions - Brownsville, TX; Happy Chef, Inc. - Butler, NJ; Kristine L. Keierleber dba K Graphics Posters - League City, TX; Payless Shoesource Worldwide, Inc./Payless Gold Value, LLC - Atlanta, GA; Luga Inc. dba Specialty Advertisers - Brownsville, TX..*

Respectfully Submitted,



Dr. Cornelio Gonzalez

Executive Director

**Staff Responsible:** Connie Lopez, Deputy Director  
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Kristina Carrizales, Cooperative Purchasing Specialist

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**Action Taken**

\_\_\_\_\_ made a motion to approve the Child Nutrition Program –  
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**Seconded by:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Vote:** \_\_\_\_\_