



Governing Board Agenda Item

Meeting Date: December 12, 2024 Agenda Item No: H.16

From: Susan Rose, Director of Procurement

Subject: Award of Request for Proposal 25-14-30 District Wide Area Network (WAN) E-Rate

Strategic Priority: To plan for future needs in a proactive, accountable manner

Consent Action Discussion

Background:

On September 19, 2024, the Marana Unified School District (MUSD) issued a Request for Proposal (RFP) 25-14-30 for District Wide Area Network (WAN) – E-Rate. This solicitation requested proposals for the District to obtain services for Wide Area Network - District-wide in accordance with School District Procurement Rules in the Arizona Administrative Code (A.A.C.) Title 7, Article 10 and 11, section R7-2-1042.

Invitations were sent to 47 District registered vendors and five responded with a proposal. Formal advertisement in the Daily Territorial was completed on September 19, 2024. In addition, the RFP was announced via FC Form 470 in order to comply with federal and E-Rate requirements. Finally, notification of the RFP was posted on the IonWave website during the solicitation period. An evaluation committee reviewed the proposals received. The criteria were evaluated as set forth in the RFP which included:

- Cost of eligible service
- Acceptable Technical Design
- Acceptable Delivery or Completion Date
- Quality of References and Previous Experience with the District

Based on the proposals received and evaluations, a recommendation of award is made to CenturyLink Communications, LLC DBA Lumen Technologies Group, the responsible and responsive vendor, to support the needs of the District and is to be contingent upon agreement of any required ancillary contract.

This is a multi-term contract beginning July 1, 2024, with renewal options for four additional one-year periods, based on fund availability and the firm's compliance with all requirements associated with this award.

Recommended Motion:

I move that the Governing Board approve award of Request for Proposal 25-14-30 District Wide Area Network – E-Rate to CenturyLink Communications, LLC DBA Lumen Technologies Group.

Approved for transmittal to the Governing Board:



Dr. Daniel Streeter, Superintendent