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Request for Proposals

LEASE OF 2.5 GHz EBS D GROUP CHANNELS

SIGNIFICANT DATES:

- a) PRE-RFP CONFERENCE – JANUARY 26, 2010, 10 a.m.
 - b) SUBMITTAL DATE – FEBRUARY 9, 2010, 10 a.m.
1. Huntsville City Schools Educational Television (ETV) currently holds licenses to four 2.5 GHz EBS channels in the D group. ETV has provided closed circuit television on these channels since the mid 1960s. The system has been transitioned as required by the FCC and is currently using the D4 frequency to carry its four channels of closed circuit TV to the school district. As a result, ETV has D1, D2, and D3 available for lease.
 2. Huntsville City Schools is seeking interested commercial service providers to provide proposals to develop these available frequencies to meet the current FCC goals of innovation within the spectrum with broadband or WiMAX services.
 3. Interested providers must state how they would meet the FCC requirements of "substantial service by May, 2011", and also provide to the school district services that meet the FCC requirements of "educational use".
 4. The proposals by interested service providers should also contain revenues, leasing fee arrangements, or other such amounts that it is willing to provide to the school district, along with a suggested length of a possible lease.
 5. A commercial service provider may also consider the possibility of leasing the fourth frequency (D4) by providing a fiber link to each school site for the purpose of delivery of the 4 closed-circuit channels.
 6. Questions regarding this request for proposal are to be submitted to Marc Seldon, Materials Coordinator at mseldon@hsv.k12.al.us.
 7. A pre-proposal conference will be held on Tuesday, January 26, 2010 at 10 a.m. at 714 Bob Wallace Avenue, 35801. This conference will be for the purpose of providing information and addressing questions.

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8. Proposals received from interested providers will be evaluated by Huntsville City Schools for the purpose of establishing bid specifications. The bid specifications will be utilized in an invitation to bid which will afford all interested parties an opportunity to bid on the required service.
9. Proposals should be submitted to the Purchasing Department, 714 Bob Wallace Avenue, 35801 no later than Tuesday, February 9, 2010, 10 a.m.
10. Huntsville City Schools may request oral presentation of submitted proposals.