

Potosi School District
128 Hwy 61 North
Potosi, WI 53820

DATE: February 15, 2017
TO: Internet Providers
FROM: Keith Oyen, Technology Director

Request for Proposal
Internet Service as part of the FCC Universal Service Program

On May 7, 1997, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) adopted rules implementing telecommunication discounts for K-12 schools and public libraries. The rules were incorporated into the FCC's Universal Service Order (CC Docket No, 96-45) implementing section 254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The Order ensures that all eligible schools and libraries have affordable access to modem telecommunication services, internal connections and the Internet. In the school and library communities the Universal Service program is popularly known as the "E-rate."

The FCC created the Schools and Libraries Corporation (SLC) to oversee implementation of the Universal Service program. (NECA is the interim fund administrator and works very closely with the SLC.) The SLC sent out E-rate application forms to over 50,000 schools and libraries in December.

Based on economic need, schools and libraries can receive between 20% - 90% discount on applicable services. Schools and libraries are required to pay the non-discounted portion of their costs for services directly to the service provider, while the discounted portion will be paid directly to the service provider by the Schools and Libraries Corporation (SLC).

The RFP provides you with our most accurate estimation of services requested. Please direct all questions to the contact person noted on the RFP.

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Entity

Potosi School District is requesting Proposals from Internet Providers to provide Internet access. We are requesting proposals for the cost of:

- Monthly Internet Service – 50 MBPS upload/download

Term

The term of the agreement shall commence no earlier than July 1, 2017. Bidders are encouraged to submit proposals in one-, two- and three-year increments, if longer terms result in lower costs per year.

Facilities

The School District of Potosi operates in one facility. It is the responsibility of the successful bidder to become familiar with the mentioned facility and services as a part of the proposal.

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Response Deadline

The FCC requires school districts to bid for the services outlined in this RFP. The Potosi School District filed the Universal Service application form #470, requesting the services outlined in this RFP, February 15, 2017, in conjunction with the open window of the SLC Website. The Schools and Libraries Corporation will process the application and post the information from form #470 to the SLC website (www.slcfund.org). The request for service must be on the SLC Web for at least 28 days to allow service providers to respond accordingly. After 28 days the School District will evaluate the Web posting, or by any other means, and award a contract.

Allowing for processing by the SCL and the 28-day open bid period, the deadline to respond to this RFP is March 16, 2017.

All RFP's will be posted online at Potosi School District's website (www.potosisd.k12.wi.us)