



DEFENSE AND GOVERNMENT SYSTEMS DIVISION

PROPOSAL FORM 1: TECHNICAL PROPOSAL

REQUIRED INFORMATION	
Business Name	Hughes Network Systems, LLC (HUGHES)
Address/Headquarters	11717 Exploration Lane, Germantown, MD 20876
CAGE Code	3L0W2
RFP	COG-2161
Title	Internet Services and Related Infrastructure Solutions
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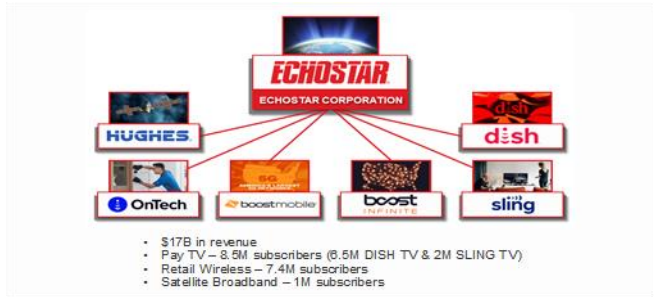
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1. Overview & Qualifications		
1.1. Company Information		
1.1.1. Company Name:	Hughes Network Systems LLC (Hughes®)	
1.1.2. Corporate Street Address:	11717 Exploration Lane, Germantown, MD 20876	
1.1.3. Website:	www.hughes.com	
1.1.4. Formation. In what year was the company formed? For how long has your company been operating under its present business name? If your company has changed its business name, include the most recent prior business name and the year of the name change.	<p>Hughes has been in business for over 50 years. The parent company is EchoStar® Corporation, a publicly traded company in NASDAQ: SATS, headquartered in Englewood, Colorado. EchoStar also owns DISH Network, which is the second largest satellite TV operator as well as the fourth largest cellular wireless operator (boost) in the U.S.</p>  <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • \$17B in revenue • Pay TV – 3.5M subscribers (8.5M DISH TV & 2M SLING TV) • Retail Wireless – 7.4M subscribers • Satellite Broadband – 1M subscribers 	
1.1.5. Primary Point of Contact. Provide information about the Respondent representative/contact person authorized to answer questions regarding the proposal submitted by your company:	Name:	Amir Dehdashty
	Title:	Sr. Director – Government Solutions
	Phone:	202-251-6401
	E-Mail Address:	amir.dehdashty@hughes.com
1.1.6. Authorized Representative. Print or type the name of the Respondent representative authorized to address contractual issues, including the authority to execute a contract on behalf of Respondent, and to whom legal	Name:	Robin Appleton
	Title:	Sr. Corporate Counsel – Legal

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<p>notices regarding contract termination or breach, should be sent (if not the same individual as in 1.1.9., provide the following information on each such representative and specify their function).</p>	Phone:	301-601-4191
	E-Mail Address:	robin.appleton@echostar.com
<p>1.2. Financial Strength & Legal Considerations</p>		
<p>1.2.1. Financial Strength. Demonstrate your financial strength and stability with meaningful data. This could include, but is not limited to, such items as financial statements, SEC filings, credit & bond ratings, letters of credit, and detailed reference letters.</p> <p>Note: If the information disclosed in your response is considered “Trade Secret” as defined in Ohio Revised Code, Respondents may mark the information as a “Trade Secret” and the response will be redacted from any future use of the RFP response.</p>	<p>Detailed financial information regarding Hughes and its parent company EchoStar can be viewed on www.echostar.com.</p>	
<p>1.2.2. Bankruptcy & Insolvency. Describe any bankruptcy or insolvency for your organization (or its predecessors, if any) or any principal of the firm in the last three (3) years.</p>	<p>N/A</p>	
<p>1.2.3. Litigation. Describe any litigation in which your company has been involved in the last three (3) years and the status of that litigation.</p>	<p>We are involved in a number of legal proceedings concerning matters arising in connection with the conduct of our business activities. Many of these proceedings are at preliminary stages, and many of these proceedings seek an indeterminate amount of damages. We regularly evaluate the status of the legal proceedings in which we are involved. For certain proceedings, management is unable to predict with any degree of certainty the outcome or provide a meaningful estimate of the possible loss or range of possible loss because, among other reasons: (i) the proceedings are in various stages; (ii) damages have not been sought or specified; (iii) damages are unsupported, indeterminate and/or exaggerated in management’s opinion; (iv) there is uncertainty as to the outcome of pending trials, appeals, motions or other proceedings; (v) there are significant factual issues to be resolved; and/or (vi) there are novel legal issues or unsettled legal theories to be presented or a large number of parties are involved (as with many patent-related cases).</p>	

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1.3. Industry Qualifications	
1.3.1. <i>Company Identification.</i> How is your organization best identified? Is it a manufacturer, distributor, dealer, reseller, or service provider?	Hughes is a leading Internet Service Provider (ISP), Managed Services Provider (MSP), Managed Security Services Provider (MSSP), Managed Wi-Fi Service Provider, and Multi-Transport Broadband Services Provider with transports such as cable, fiber, ethernet, 4G/5G, fixed wireless (microwave), and Low Earth Orbit (LEO)/Geostationary Earth Orbit (GEO) satellite. Hughes is also a leading provider of Digital Media Signage solutions and services as well as manufactures its own satellite terminals.
1.3.2. <i>Product or Service Authorization.</i> If your company is best described as a distributor, dealer, reseller, or similar entity please certify that your organization is authorized to sell the products and services at the price points disclosed in this proposal.	Hughes has resale agreements with over 400 Network Access Providers (NAP) to provide managed broadband services nationwide. Hughes provides an end-to-end, one-stop-shop Wide Area Network (WAN) solution to include network design and configuration, site survey and installation, customer training, technical help desk support, and warranty/on-site field maintenance support of its services and solutions.
1.3.3. <i>Authorized Distributors, Agents, Dealers, or Resellers.</i> Describe the different channels in which this contract will be made available to Equalis Group Members. Your response should include, but is not limited to, whether your organization will serve as the single point of sale or if the contract will be made available through a network of distributors, agents, dealers, or resellers. NOTE: Respondents intending to authorize distributors, agents, dealers, or resellers must complete <u>Proposal Form 7 – Dealer, Distributor and Reseller Authorization Form.</u>	Hughes will serve as a single point of sale for this contract.
1.3.4. <i>Network Relationship.</i> If your company is best described as a manufacturer or service provider, please describe how your dealer network operates to sell and deliver the Products & Services proposed in this RFP. If applicable, is your network independent or company owned?	Hughes primarily sells its broadband services and solutions to enterprise and government customers directly. In addition, Hughes has numerous value-added resellers who resell Hughes satellite broadband services and solutions. For this contract, Hughes will deliver a nationwide network using its extensive partner list of broadband ISPs as well as its own satellite network.

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<p>1.3.5. Industry Experience. How long has your company provided the products and services outlined in your response to this RFP? What percentage of your company's revenue in each of the last three (3) full calendar years was generated from these products and services?</p>	<p>Hughes has been in the satellite internet business for over 50 years. In the past 20 years, Hughes has expanded its capability to provide other terrestrial and wireless broadband transports for enterprises and government agencies. The enterprise and government business of Hughes is approximately 50% of its revenue.</p>
<p>1.3.6. Geographic Reach. Describe your company's <u>current</u> service area in the United States and which areas you intend to offer services under a resulting contract if awarded.</p>	<p>Hughes serves all service areas in the Continental United States (CONUS). On a case-by-case basis, we also serve Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the US Virgin Islands. Given our extensive portfolio of broadband access technologies (i.e., cable, fiber, ethernet, 4G/5G, fixed wireless, and satellite), we can deliver broadband to every zip code within the CONUS.</p>
<p>1.3.7. Socio-economically Disadvantaged Business Engagement. Does bidder commit to take all affirmative steps set forth in 2 CFR 200.321 to assure that minority businesses, women's business enterprises, labor surplus area firms are used when possible.</p>	<p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p>
<p>1.3.8. Certifications and Licenses. Provide a detailed explanation outlining the licenses and certifications that are i) required to be held, and ii) actually held by your organization (including third parties and subcontractors that you use). Has your company maintained these certifications on an ongoing basis? If not, when and why did your company lose any referenced certifications?</p> <p>NOTE: Provide copies of any of the certificates or licenses included in your response in Proposal Form 5 - Certifications and Licenses.</p>	<p>As a general practice, Hughes employs processes, operating instructions, and service delivery policies based on industry established standards and best practices, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certificate of Incorporation • ISO 9001:2015 for areas like change control • ISO 27001:2005 for Information Security Management Systems (ISMS) • Information Technology Infrastructure Library (ITIL) for IT Service Management
<p>1.4. Public Sector Experience</p>	
<p>1.4.1. Federally Funded Projects. Provide a description of your experience working on projects in which federal funds are used by public agencies to purchase your Products & Services. This may include but is not limited to projects related to the Broadband Infrastructure</p>	<p>Hughes has participated in various federal funding programs—primarily by using our Hughesnet® satellite internet service through our consumer group. Hughes also has an E-rate Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN).</p>

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Program (“ BIP ”), Broadband Equity, Access, and Deployment (“ BEAD ”) Program, or any other funding source in support of internet access and communication.	
1.4.2. Public Sector Cooperative Contracts. Provide a list of the public sector cooperative contracts (e.g., state term contracts, public sector cooperatives, etc.) you currently hold and the annual revenue through those contracts in each of the last three (3) calendar year. Please exclude information and data associated with Federal or GSA contracts	Hughes has participated in the National Association of State Procurement Officials (NASPO). Hughes also has statewide broadband contracts with Texas, Pennsylvania, New York, Virginia, Colorado, and Washington.
1.4.3. Education Success. What is the i) total dollar amount, and ii) percentage of your company’s total annual revenue generated by sales to educational institutions (i.e., K-12 schools & school districts and high education)?	It is hard to provide this information since the schools typically call our 800 number and order Hughesnet satellite internet service. However, schools in 26 states have ordered Hughesnet.
1.4.4. Government Success. What is the i) total dollar amount, and ii) percentage of your company’s total annual revenue generated by sales to local governments (i.e., municipalities, counties, special districts, and state agencies)?	Approximately 1%.
1.4.5. Customer References. Provide references of at least five (5) local government or educational institution customers for which your company has provided products and services similar in nature and scope to those defined in this RFP in the last three (3) years. Each reference should include: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Customer contact person and their title, telephone number, and email address; b. A brief description of the products and services provided by your company; c. Customer relationship starting and ending dates; and, d. Notes or other pertinent information relating to the 	<p>State of Texas – contract valid through November 2025. State of Texas has the option to renew for an additional four years.</p> <p>Customer Name: Texas Department of Information Resources (TxDIR) Contact Name and Title: Jeffrey Booth, Chief Procurement Office Telephone Number: 512-463-5712 Email Address: jeff.booth@dir.texas.gov</p> <p>Brief Summary of the Scope of Services and Support Provided:</p> <p>Hughes contracts with the Texas Department of Information Services to provide carrier class services (including broadband and satellite) to state agencies along with Managed Telecom Services. For the Texas Department of Public Safety (TxDPS), Hughes provides network connectivity to 850 locations. Hughes</p>

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<p>customer and/or the products and services your company provided.</p>	<p>also maintains the TxDPS-dedicated satellite uplink facility in Austin, Texas, as well as manages the TxDPS disaster recovery Network Operation Center (NOC) in Germantown, Maryland.</p> <p>Customer Name: Texas Department of Criminal Justice (TDCJ) Contact Name and Title: Jessica Whitfield, Assistant Director – Business Services Telephone Number: 936-437-2234 Email Address: Jessica.Whitfield@tdcj.texas.gov</p> <p>Brief Summary of the Scope of Services and Support Provided:</p> <p>A total of 461 Smart TVs (65") are operating with Hughes Managed Digital Signage at 221 locations throughout the state. This includes prisons, parole offices, and administrative offices.</p> <p>Customer Name: Texas Historical Commission (THC) Contact Name and Title: Rob Huggins, Information Technology Director Telephone Number: 512-463-7199 Email Address: Rob.Huggins@thc.texas.gov</p> <p>Brief Summary of the Scope of Services and Support Provided:</p> <p>A total of 44 Broadband Circuits including cable, fiber, fixed wireless, LTE, and LEO Satellite. Each location and circuit, along with the data center, is served with Hughes Managed Network Services.</p> <p>Commonwealth of Pennsylvania (COPA) – contract valid until February 2027</p> <p>Customer Name: Pennsylvania State Police Contact Name and Title: Eric Ashberry, Edge Networking Operations Supervisor Office: 717-743-0980; eashberry@pa.gov</p> <p>Brief Summary of the Scope of Services and Support Provided:</p> <p>Hughes provides end-to-end, managed, secure broadband SD-WAN services for over 300 COPA State Police locations. This includes terrestrial broadband as primary transport with 4G/LTE cellular as backup.</p> <p>Customer Name: Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources (DCNR)</p>

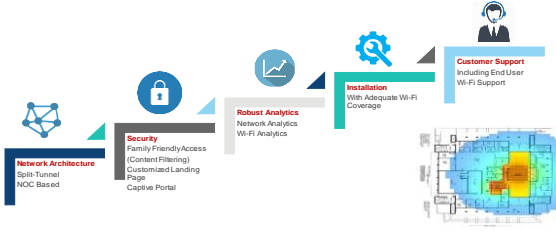
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	<p>Contact Name and Title: James Leech, Network Specialist 2 Telephone Number: 717-772-8165 Email Address: jaleech@pa.gov</p> <p>Brief Summary of the Scope of Services and Support Provided:</p> <p>Hughes provides end-to-end, managed, secure broadband SD-WAN services for over 90 DCNR locations. This includes terrestrial broadband as primary transport with 4G/LTE cellular as backup.</p> <p>State of West Virginia – McDowell County Schools – contract ended August 2023</p> <p>Customer Name: McDowell County Schools Contact Name and Title: Joe Norris, Coordinator of Technology Integration Telephone Number: 304-436-8441 Email Address: jjnorris@k12.wv.us</p> <p>Brief Summary of the Scope of Services and Support Provided:</p> <p>As part of Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) Emergency Connectivity Funds (ECF), using our E-rate SPIN 143-005-653, Hughes provided Hughesnet satellite internet service to students' homes in McDowell County, WV.</p> <p>In addition to the above, through the Hughes Government Call Center, the following School Districts have ordered Hughesnet satellite internet service:</p>


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<p>2.1.1. Internet Product & Service Offering Description(s). Provide a detailed description of the products and services you are offering as a 7part of your proposal.</p> <p>Your response may include, but is not limited to, information related to different types of internet service options, network equipment, differentiators, infrastructure and networking capabilities, competitive advantages, warranty information, implementation, related services, or any other piece of information that would help understand the breadth and depth of the product and service offering in your proposal.</p> <p>IMPORTANT. This description along with the products and services included in the Attachment B – Cost Proposal will be utilized to define the overall products and services available under a resulting contract.</p>	<p>Hughes is known as the leading provider of satellite Internet in the country. However, Hughes is much more than that. Over the years, Hughes has transformed state agency networks by allowing them to adopt a “hybrid” architecture that enables the co-existence of broadband and Time Division Multiplexing (TDM)/Multiprotocol Label Switching (MPLS) transports in a single network architecture. Hughes has changed the way that customers view broadband—from simple Internet access to a high-speed, secure mode of transport for field office locations anywhere. As one of the largest Managed Service Providers (MSP) in the country, Hughes provides various forms of broadband to government agencies, which include terrestrial, wireless, and satellite transports—all managed through a single management portal. Hughes also provides comprehensive Service Level Agreements (SLAs) for its managed SD-WAN services.</p> <div data-bbox="824 863 1373 1178"> <p style="text-align: center;">Hughes Portfolio of Services</p> <p>The diagram illustrates the Hughes Portfolio of Services. At the center is a circular hub labeled 'HughesON MANAGED SERVICES'. Surrounding this hub are eight service icons, each with a label: 'Managed Broadband' (top left), 'Managed Switching' (top right), 'Managed Wi-Fi' (middle right), 'Managed VoIP' (bottom right), 'Managed Digital Signage' (bottom right), 'Managed Security' (bottom left), 'Managed SD-WAN' (middle left), and 'Managed Routing' (top left). The services are further categorized into 'WAN' on the left and 'LAN' on the right.</p> </div> <p>With a long history of providing managed SD-WAN services, Hughes provides Cooperative Council of Governments (CCOG) with several strengths, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A long history of managing a full life cycle and fully managed services. • Last-mile agnostic with direct access to more than 400 Internet Service Providers (ISPs). Hughes can also manage last-mile providers on behalf of our customers. • Flexible contractual agreements to address unique customer needs. • Highly capable HughesON™ Portal for managing multivendor environments, supported with AIOps. • Single MSP for all forms of broadband transports, including cable, fiber, Ethernet, 4G/5G cellular, fixed wireless (microwave), and GEO/LEO satellite. <p>The figure below illustrates various broadband technology solutions that Hughes can provide Cooperative Council of Governments (CCOG) members.</p>

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Hughes has also developed an Element Management Integration Tier (EMIT) platform that integrates with third-party vendor WAN and LAN device managers, data streaming, or file processing to collect remote device configuration and status information. The remote device configuration and business asset information is provided to a normalized, streamlined workflow for use by various internal systems, thus reducing complexity of onboarding new Element Management System (EMS) components.</p><p>Hughes provides a portfolio of wireless transports, including Geostationary Earth Orbit (GEO) satellite, Low Earth Orbit (LEO) satellite, 4G/5G cellular, and fixed wireless/microwave, as shown in the figure below.</p></div><div><div><div><div><div>Geostationary Earth Orbit (GEO) High Throughput Satellite</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Hughes/EchoStar 1199 Ka-band satellitesPositions: 101° & 97° degrees westSpeed of 200,000 km/h and 34,000 km/sCurrently deployed at 117A locations</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Hughes/EchoStar 11 satellite - service launch in December 2023Position: 95 degrees westDownload speeds up to 100 MbpsCapacity: more than 300 GbpsSupported features: enterprise networks, in-flight Wi-Fi, maritime connectivity, landmass or marine network operators, and community 5G+ networks</div></div><div><div></div><div></div></div><div><div><div><div>Available Globally</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">All State CoverageNation and Puerto RicoGlobal CoverageService Launch - January 2024</div></div><div><div><div>Up to 100 Mbps Download Speeds</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Global speeds of up to 25 MbpsA mix of 100/100 and 100/5 Mbps service profiles</div></div><div><div><div>Enterprise Plans</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Enterprise grade service. 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<p>IMPORTANT. This description along with the products and services included in the Attachment B – Cost Proposal will be utilized to define the overall products and services available under a resulting contract.</p>	<p>network operations, customer portal for network monitoring and management, field maintenance, a single 800 number for 24/7/365 Tier 3 help desk-to-help desk support, and a single invoice.</p> <p>The Hughes-managed SD-WAN portfolio includes multiple edge (SD-WAN/firewall appliance) platforms from Fortinet, Cisco Meraki, VMware, and Cradlepoint, as well as internally developed Hughes SD-WAN devices. Typical field office configurations utilize a full vendor stack (edge with LAN/WLAN components) from a single vendor with multiple transport links (e.g., wireline, cellular, satellite). High-availability edge clusters are supported and deployed into projects that require a higher level of availability at field office sites. Security is a key component of the configuration, with specific services and offerings being governed by platform and contractual arrangements.</p> <p>The Hughes managed SD-WAN service offering is focused on customer outcomes. Hughes provides the underlay and maintains relationships with more than 400 ISPs. Hughes is agnostic to last-mile providers; although, customers can authorize Hughes to manage an existing relationship with an ISP. Hughes targets industry verticals, including retail; federal; and the state, local, and education (SLED) government; as well as healthcare; banking/financial services; and energy. Hughes generates most of its managed SD-WAN revenue from large enterprises and government agencies. Hughes has a global presence that dominates in North America, with a strong presence in Asia/Pacific and Europe, Latin America (LATAM), the Middle East, and Africa (EMEA).</p> <p>Hughes also provides Private Network services through the Hughes Points of Presence (PoPs) in Germantown, MD; Las Vegas, NV; Seattle, WA; and Ashburn, VA. Any number of customer sites can be configured to connect to the private switchport at the PoP. Traffic from the sites will pass through the switchport and can be connected to a Subscriber's datacenter(s) via a dedicated backhaul or Virtual Private Network (VPN). The Customer is responsible for providing any equipment that is to be installed at the Hughes PoP and any terrestrial backhaul circuits and cross-connects as necessary.</p>
<p>2.1.3. Value-Add or Additional Offering. Please include any additional products and services your organization offers but is not included in the scope of this</p>	<p>Hughes provides managed Wi-Fi services to include Enterprise and Guest Wi-Fi. Hughes installs Access Points (APs), switches, and routers in support of Wi-Fi deployments. Hughes performs</p>

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<p>solicitation and will enhance and add value to this contract's participating agencies.</p>	<p>site surveys and provides heat maps of the surveyed buildings to determine location of APs to maximize Wi-Fi coverage.</p> <div data-bbox="876 386 1321 411"> <p>Hughes Enterprise and Guest Wi-Fi Solution</p> </div>  <p>The diagram illustrates the Hughes Enterprise and Guest Wi-Fi Solution. It features a central vertical flow of icons representing different solution components: Network Architecture (Split-Tunnel, NOC Based), Security (Family Friendly Access, Content Filtering, Customized Landing Page, Captive Portal), Robust Analytics (Network Analytics, Wi-Fi Analytics), Installation (With Adequate Wi-Fi Coverage), and Customer Support (Including End-User Wi-Fi Support). To the right, a heat map shows the distribution of Wi-Fi signals within a building footprint. Below this, a section titled 'Wi-Fi MOBILITY SOLUTIONS' lists four categories: GUEST WI-FI (Customer/guest Internet access, Optimized bandwidth, Safe browsing), ENTERPRISE WI-FI (Customer applications, Prioritized app access, Strong encryption), CUSTOMIZED LANDING PAGE/CAPTIVE PORTAL (Drive customers to content, Capture customer information), and NETWORK & ANALYTICS (Analytics reports on guest access and performance). At the bottom, a 'PARTNERS' section lists logos for Aruba, Fortinet, and Cisco Meraki.</p> <p>Hughes is also a leading provider of Digital Signage solutions and services which are used by enterprises and government agencies for the applications listed below.</p> <div data-bbox="974 1218 1226 1247"> <p>Hughes Digital Signage</p> </div> <div data-bbox="836 1287 1372 1465"> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>• Public Information in the Lobby</td><td>• Emergency Notifications</td></tr> <tr> <td>• Building Directory</td><td>• Staff Information Updates / Training</td></tr> <tr> <td>• Wayfinding Maps</td><td>• Staff Recognitions and Awards</td></tr> <tr> <td>• Courthouse Schedules</td><td>• Campus</td></tr> <tr> <td>• Now Serving Queue Management</td><td>• Multiple language Communications</td></tr> <tr> <td>• Onsite Situational Information</td><td>• Event and Program awareness</td></tr> </table> </div>	• Public Information in the Lobby	• Emergency Notifications	• Building Directory	• Staff Information Updates / Training	• Wayfinding Maps	• Staff Recognitions and Awards	• Courthouse Schedules	• Campus	• Now Serving Queue Management	• Multiple language Communications	• Onsite Situational Information	• Event and Program awareness
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<p>2.1.4. Open Market Products. Provide a detailed description of your ability to accommodate requests for Open Market Products. Open Market Products is a category of products that cannot be found in your standard catalog offering or non-inventory products.</p> <p>NOTE: For a definition of Open Market Items, please refer to Part One, Section 5.4 – Other Pricing Scenarios.</p>	<p>Many of the complex enterprise and government networks require customized services and solutions. Hughes designs and delivers broadband services and solutions that meet Service Level Agreements (SLAs), comply with security requirements, meet upload/download speeds, and provide Tier 1-3 help desk support, all of which are accessible through the HughesON Portal. If there are any Open Market items that are not listed in the Hughes CCOG catalog, Hughes can add them as needed.</p> <p>Hughes is also a Managed Security Service Provider (MSSP), and its Secure Access Service Edge (SASE) framework protects the network with security at every endpoint and transport type. The framework includes Firewall as a Service (FaaS) and web filtering. The framework also provides redundant transport for reliability and maximum uptime and employs automated policy orchestration for scalability.</p>
<p>2.1.5. Implementation. Please provide a description the process for setting up, installing, or implementing your products & services.</p>	<p>As a general practice, Hughes employs processes, operating instructions, and service delivery policies based on industry-established standards and best practices, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Certificate of Incorporation • ISO 9001:2015 for areas like change control • ISO 27001:2005 for Information Security Management Systems (ISMS) • ITIL for IT Service Management <p>Hughes' Program Management Organization (PMO) will lead the project teams to coordinate our service implementation and ongoing management. The Hughes Program Manager (PM) assigned to the CCOG program will be responsible for the management and delivery of the project, including meeting customer deliverables and expectations. The Hughes PM acts as the Single Point of Contact (SPOC) for the project or</p>

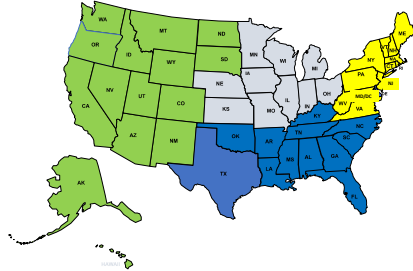
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	<p>workstream—both internally and externally. The Hughes PM ensures the timely execution or delivery of the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Detailed Delivery Schedule and Project Plans • Monthly Status Reports • Delivery Management • Change Management • Issue Management • Resource Management • Project Escalations • Third-Party Vendor Management • Problem Management <p>The Hughes PM is also responsible for the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Manage and coordinate all resources and activities that are associated with the project implementation, service delivery, and support • Interface directly with the CCOG for this program • Lead a team of qualified individuals from the various Hughes support organizations and provides daily and long-term coordination of these resources to successfully execute the project • Ensure CCOG access to the Hughes Customer Portal, which will serve as the Customer Account Management tool <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – The portal will be used by the Hughes Project Team to update terminal and network status, as required, and can be viewed by authorized CCOG users for near real-time monitoring of terminal and network performance
<p>2.1.6. <i>Warranty.</i> Provide a copy of the manufacturer's warranty. If required, please attach the warranty as an attachment, as instructed in this document. Describe notable features and/or characteristics of the warranty that a public sector customer would find interesting or appealing. Pricing related to the any extended warranty options must be included in <u>Attachment B – Cost Proposal.</u></p>	<p>Hughes products and services typically comes with on-site field maintenance which covers repair and/or replacement of the defective part. Field maintenance covers warranty/replacement during the contract period. Either Hughes or the Network Access Provider (NAP) that is used to deliver broadband service at a site will be responsible for sending a technician to the site to repair/replace a defective part. However, field maintenance does not apply to Force Majeure. An event of Force Majeure will suspend Hughes' performance obligations.</p> <p>Hughes offers comprehensive Operations Support via a 24/7/365 help desk with Tier 3 support that can be directly accessed by CCOG users for troubleshooting and problem resolution. The Hughes Enterprise Support Center (ESC) is staffed with personnel who can resolve virtually all issues that may arise.</p>

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<p>2.1.7. Industries Standards. Describe how your products and services conform to applicable industry standards and required specifications.</p>	<p>As a general practice, Hughes employs processes, operating instructions, and service delivery policies based on industry-established standards and best practices, such as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ISO 9001:2015 for areas like change control • ISO 27001:2005 for Information Security Management Systems (ISMS) • ITIL for IT Service Management
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<p>3.1.1. Logistics</p>	
<p>3.1.2. Locations; Distribution & Shipping Capabilities. Describe how supplier proposes to distribute the products or services in Respondent's defined geographic reach.</p> <p>Your response may include, but is not limited to, information related to the number of store or showroom locations, distribution facilities, supply chain partners, fill rates, on-time delivery rates, and your ability to accommodate expedited orders.</p>	<p>Hughes has an established Order Processing and Inventory Management system in place to fulfill customer orders. This includes validating and restocking as required. Hughes has distribution facilities in the US, which are used as warehouses to stock equipment and handle shipping.</p> <p>For enterprise and government installations, Hughes typically ships the required hardware based on a Bill of Materials (BOM) to our installer, who in turn will bring the required hardware at the time of install. As such, Hughes will not ship to customer sites to avoid equipment getting lost.</p> <p>If required, Hughes may expedite equipment shipping as well as place a drop ship order if the need is urgent.</p>
<p>3.2. Customer Service</p>	
<p>3.2.1. Customer Service Department. Describe your company's customer service department & operations. Your description may include, but is not limited to, hours of operation, number and location of service centers, parts outlets, number of customer service representatives. Clarify if the service centers are owned by your company of if they are a network of subcontractors.</p>	<p>The Hughes Enterprise Service Center (ESC) is the first point of contact for Hughes customer support. The Hughes ESC consists of three strategically located, geographically diverse call centers. Each center is staffed with dedicated Hughes support agents, ensuring a consistent and high-quality customer experience. The centers operate 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, 365 days a year—providing round-the-clock support for Hughes' enterprise and government customers. Hughes manages the staffing and supervisors at all three centers, maintaining control over operations. Several advanced support agents and supervisors have more than 10 years of experience supporting Hughes enterprise customers, bringing a wealth of knowledge and stability to the team.</p>

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	 <p>The charts and tables provided are as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Dispatch Cases: A bar chart showing cases from June 2024 to November 2024 for Broadband, CDO, and VBAT categories. Hughes/NAB Cases: A bar chart comparing Hughes Truck Roll, NAB Truck Roll, and Vendor Fleet NAB Truck Roll. Dispatches By Status: A table showing counts for Closed, Open, Dispatch, Pending, and NAB. Cases Closed MOM: A bar chart showing monthly closed cases from June 2024 to November 2024. Cases Closed WOW: A bar chart showing weekly closed cases from September 28, 2024, to November 1, 2024. Closed Cases By NAB: A pie chart showing the distribution of closed cases by NAB. Days to Close: A bar chart showing the number of cases closed within 2-7 days. Days Case Open: A bar chart showing the number of cases open for 3-9 days. Open Cases: A table listing open cases with columns for Case ID, Date, and Status.
3.3. Customer Set Up; Order & Invoice Processing; Payment	
<p>3.3.1. <i>Proposal Development, Order, and Invoice Process.</i> Describe your company's proposal development, order, and invoice process.</p>	<p>Hughes has a proposal development group where we respond to RFIs, RFPs, and RFQs. Hughes also has a Graphics department, which prepares graphs and charts for our proposals.</p> <p>As for the invoicing process, Hughes has a billing department, which issues invoices based on each specific contract requirement. Hughes is very familiar with government invoicing and audits. One of the benefits of Hughes is that a single invoice is generated per customer no matter how many types of broadband transports are included in the Customer's network.</p>
<p>3.3.2. <i>Financing.</i> Does your company offer any financing services? If yes, describe the financing options available to Members.</p>	<p>For large and complex networks that require financing, Hughes typically works with a leasing company to provide financing. The financing typically requires a term commitment (i.e., 3-year or 5-year) and the CCOG Member who requires financing is subject to an Early Termination Fee (ETF) for the remaining term if the service is terminated early.</p> <p>The finance rate is based on Fair Market Value Capital or Operating lease rate and is subject to final credit approval of the CCOG Member at the time of funding.</p>
4. <u>PRICING</u>	
4.1. Cost Proposal	
<p>4.1.1. <i>Pricing Model.</i> Provide a description of your pricing model or methodology identifying how the model works for the products and services included in your proposal. Your response should describe how the proposed pricing model is able to be audited by an Equalis Group member to assure</p>	<p>For telecommunications services, there are typically two pricing parameters:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1 Non-Recurring Charge (NRC) which includes the purchase of CPE hardware, site survey, standard installation of hardware, test, and turn-up of service. If during the site survey it is determined that the installation is non-standard, Hughes will provide a

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compliance with the pricing in the Master Agreement.	<p>quote. In addition, if there are any required construction/buildout to deliver the broadband transport to the site, Hughes will provide a quote for that as well.</p> <p>2 Monthly Recurring Charge (MRC) which includes a broadband transport, managed service, Tier-3 help desk support, field maintenance, and operating license associated with the deployed hardware.</p> <p>In the Pricing Volume, Hughes is providing NRC and MRC pricing for a suite of broadband services and solutions to serve as a pricing “catalog” in the Master Agreement. Once the specific networking requirement(s) of a CCOG Member is known, Hughes will design a solution to meet those requirements and will use the catalog for pricing the solution.</p>
4.1.2. Auditable. Describe how the proposed pricing model is able to be audited by public sector agencies or CCOG to assure compliance with pricing in the Master Agreement.	All quotes to CCOG Members will be based on the pricing that will be presented on the Hughes Master Agreement.
4.1.3. Cost Proposal Value. Which of the following statements best describes the pricing offered included in Respondent’s cost proposal.	<p>The prices offered in your Cost Proposal are:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> lower than what you offer other group purchasing organizations, cooperative purchasing organizations, or state purchasing departments.</p> <p><input checked="" type="checkbox"/> equal to what you offer other group purchasing organizations, cooperative purchasing organizations, or state purchasing departments.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> higher than what you offer other group purchasing organizations, cooperative purchasing organizations, or state purchasing departments.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> not applicable. Please explain below.</p>
4.1.4. Additional Savings. Describe any quantity or volume discounts or rebate programs included in your Cost Proposal.	Hughes will consider providing a volume discount for large networks (e.g., networks of 100+ sites). The discount and its structure depend on the type of service and length of the service term.
4.1.5. Cost of Shipping. Is the cost of shipping included in the pricing submitted with your response? If no, describe how freight, shipping, and delivery costs are calculated.	Hughes is providing broadband service which includes applicable Customer Premise Equipment (CPE) hardware to deliver the service. The shipping cost of the CPE hardware is typically included in the NRC associated with the service.

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<p>4.1.6. Pricing Open Market or Sourced Goods. If relevant, propose a method for the pricing of Open Market Items or Sourced Goods.</p> <p>NOTE: For a definition of Open Market Items, please refer to Part One, Section 5.4 – Other Pricing Scenarios.</p>	<p>Once the specific networking requirement(s) of a CCOG Member is known, Hughes will design a solution to meet those requirements and will use the catalog for pricing the solution. If the proposed solution requires an item that is not on the Hughes CCOG Master Agreement, Hughes will quote that as Open Market until the item is added to the Master Agreement.</p>
<p>4.1.7. Total Cost of Acquisition. Identify any components from the total cost of acquisition that are NOT included in the Cost Proposal. This would include all additional charges that are not directly identified as freight or shipping. For example, permitting, installation, set up, mandatory training, site work, or initial inspection may be required but not initially considered in the Cost Proposal. Identify any parties that impose such costs and their relationship to the Respondent.</p>	<p>For broadband internet services, there may be costs associated with non-standard installation for wireless transports (4G/5G cellular, fixed wireless and satellite), which will be determined during the site survey. Upon completion of the site survey, Hughes will provide the Customer the cost that is associated with the non-standard installation.</p> <p>In addition, there may be costs associated with construction/buildout to deliver terrestrial broadband transport (i.e., cable, fiber, ethernet) to a building. The scope of the construction will be determined after the order is placed with our ISP and they perform a physical site survey. Once Hughes knows the construction scope, which may include obtaining permits, we will provide a scope of work along with the cost.</p>
<h2>5. GO-TO-MARKET STRATEGY</h2>	
<h3>5.1. Respondent Organizational Structure & Staffing of Relationship</h3>	
<p>5.1.1. Key Contacts. Provide contact information and resumes for the person(s) who will be responsible for the following areas;</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Executive Contact Contract Manager Sales Leader Reporting Contact Marketing Contact. <p>***Indicate who the primary contact will be if it is not the Sales Leader.</p>	<p>The primary contact for this contract is Amir Dehdashty, who is the Sr. Sales Director for Government at Hughes. Mr. Dehdashty will lead the team below in fulfillment of the CCOG contract.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Hughes Organization Chart for CCOG</p> <pre> graph TD Amir[Amir Dehdashty 301 548-1942 Sr. Director of Sales for CCOG] Dave[Dave Lei 301 601-4020 Sr. Director - Government Program Management] Ericka[Ericka Unna Ericka.unna@hughes.com Sr. Manager - Customer Service] Valeri[Valeri McMillan 301 212-1009 Sr. Director - Billing] Umar[Umar Rana 301 428-5705 Director - Network Engineering] Brian[Brian Smith 301 212-7988 Sr. Director - Enterprise Field Operations] Amir --- Dave Amir --- Ericka Amir --- Valeri Amir --- Umar Amir --- Brian </pre>
<p>5.1.2. Sales Organization. Provide a description of your sales organization, including key staff members, the size of</p>	<p>Hughes currently has sales professionals that are handling the SLED market as shown in the territory chart below. The Hughes</p>

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the organization, in-house vs. third-party sales resources, geographic territories, vertical market segmentation, etc.	<p>SLED sales team is augmented by our Government Call Center, which handles incoming calls from SLED Government users.</p> <p>Hughes State Government Regions / Coverage</p> 
5.2. Contract Implementation Strategy & Expectations	
5.2.1. Contract Expectation. What are your company's expectations in the event of a contract award?	Typical broadband internet contract has a three-year base term with a two-year renewal option for a total of a five-year term.
5.2.2. Five (5) Year Sales Vision & Strategy. Describe your company's vision and strategy to leverage a resulting contract with Equalis over the next five (5) years. Your response may include but is not limited to; the geographic or public sector vertical markets being targeted; your strategy for acquiring new business and retaining existing business; how the contract will be deployed with your sales team; how you will market the contract, including deployment of the contract on your company website; and the time frames in which this will be completed.	<p>Hughes envisions using the resulting contract with Equalis to lead to significant growth for the Hughes SLED business. This contract will enable Hughes to address SLED customers that are beyond the few statewide contracts that Hughes currently has. In addition, it will enable Hughes to address city, county, and local governments through this vehicle.</p> <p>Hughes will put together a marketing campaign to advertise this contract vehicle to SLED prospects. Given Equalis' experience with the CCOG contract vehicle, Hughes will work with the Equalis marketing department to coordinate our efforts for maximum impact and coverage.</p> <p>Hughes' SLED sales team will ensure that this contract vehicle is discussed at various events where Hughes is a participant, such as the National Association of State Technology Directors conference (www.nastd.org).</p>
5.2.3. Sales Objectives. What are your top line sales objectives in each of the five (5) years if awarded this contract?	This needs to be developed once we better understand the adoption of this vehicle by the SLED market. Hughes will do everything possible to maximize the use of this contract as it will be our primary contract vehicle for the SLED market outside of the few statewide contracts we have.
6. ADMIN FEE & REPORTING	
6.1. Administration Fee & Reporting	

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<p>6.1.1. Administrative Fee. Equalis Group only generates revenue when the Winning Supplier generates revenue based on contract utilization by current and future Members.</p> <p>The administrative fee is normally calculated as a percentage of the total Spend for agencies through the Master Agreement and can be up to three percent (3%). In some product & service categories, a flat fee or another fee structure may be acceptable.</p> <p>Please provide your proposed Administrative Fee percentage or structure.</p> <p>NOTE: The proposed Administrative Fee language for this contract is based on the terms disclosed in the <u>Attachment A – Model Administration Agreement</u>.</p>	<div style="background-color: black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div> <div style="background-color: black; height: 20px; width: 100%;"></div>
<p>6.1.2. Sales & Administrative Fee Reporting. Equalis Group requires monthly reports detailing sales invoiced the prior month and associated Administrative Fees earned by the 15th of each month. Confirm that your company will meet this reporting requirement. If not, explain why and propose an alternative time schedule for providing these reports to Equalis Group.</p>	<p>Hughes will calculate the administrative fee that is associated with the prior month's invoice and provide a report to the Equalis Group within 30 days following the prior month's invoice billing date.</p>
<p>6.1.3. Self-Audit. Describe any self-audit process or program that you plan to employ to verify compliance with your proposed contract with Equalis Group. This process includes ensuring that you sales organization provides and Members obtain the correct pricing, reports reflect all sales made under the Contract, and Winning Supplier remit the proper admin fee to Equalis.</p>	<p>An external company audits Hughes' invoices on a quarterly basis. If the audit finds any compliance issues, Hughes will remedy them. This includes ensuring that CCOG Members who place orders receive correct pricing based on the Master Agreement as well as remitting the proper admin fee to the Equalis Group.</p>



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REQUIRED PROPOSAL FORMS

REQUIRED INFORMATION	
Business Name	Hughes Network Systems, LLC (HUGHES)
Address/Headquarters	11717 Exploration Lane, Germantown, MD 20876
CAGE Code	3L0W2
RFP	COG-2161
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1 Proposal Form 3: Diversity Vendor Certification Participation

Diversity Vendor Certification Participation - It is the policy of some Members participating in Equalis Group to involve minority and women business enterprises (M/WBE), small and/or disadvantaged business enterprises, disabled veterans business enterprises, historically utilized businesses (HUB) and other diversity recognized businesses in the purchase of goods and services. Respondents shall indicate below whether or not they hold certification in any of the classified areas and include proof of such certification with their response.

a. Minority Women Business Enterprise

Respondent certifies that this firm is an MWBE: ☐ Yes ☒ No

List certifying agency: N/A

b. Small Business Enterprise (SBE) or Disadvantaged Business Enterprise ("DBE")

Respondent certifies that this firm is a SBE or DBE: ☐ Yes ☒ No

List certifying agency: N/A

c. Disabled Veterans Business Enterprise (DVBE)

Respondent certifies that this firm is an DVBE: ☐ Yes ☒ No

List certifying agency: N/A

d. Historically Underutilized Businesses (HUB)

Respondent certifies that this firm is an HUB: ☐ Yes ☒ No

List certifying agency: N/A

e. Historically Underutilized Business Zone Enterprise (HUBZone)

Respondent certifies that this firm is an HUBZone: ☐ Yes ☒ No

List certifying agency: N/A

f. Other

Respondent certifies that this firm is a recognized diversity certificate holder: ☐ Yes ☒ No

List certifying agency: N/A

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2 Proposal Form 4: Certifications and Licenses

Provide a copy of all current licenses, registrations and certifications issued by federal, state and local agencies, and any other licenses, registrations or certifications from any other governmental entity with jurisdiction, allowing Respondent to provide the products and services included in their proposal which can include, but not limited to licenses, registrations or certifications. M/WBE, HUB, DVBE, small and disadvantaged business certifications and other diverse business certifications, as well as manufacturer certifications for sales and service must be included if applicable.

Please also list and include copies of any certificates you hold that would show value for your response not already included above.

See attached – Certificate of Incorporation

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3 Proposal Form 5: Unresolved Findings for Recovery

O.R.C. Chapter 9.24 prohibits CCOG from awarding a contract to any entity against whom the Auditor of State has issued a finding for recovery, if such finding for recovery is “unresolved” at the time of award. By submitting a proposal, a Respondent warrants that it is not now, and will not become, subject to an “unresolved” finding for recovery under **O.R.C. Chapter 9.24** prior to the award of any contract arising out of this RFP, without notifying CCOG of such finding. The Proposal Review Team will not evaluate a proposal from any Respondent whose name, or the name of any of the subcontractors proposed by the Respondent, appears on the website of the Auditor of the State of Ohio as having an “unresolved” finding for recovery.

Is your company the subject of any unresolved findings for recoveries?

- ☐ Yes
☒ No

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4 Proposal Form 6: Mandatory Disclosures

1. **Mandatory Contract Performance Disclosure.**

Disclose whether your company's performance and/or the performance of any of the proposed subcontractor(s) under contracts for the provision of products and services that are the same or similar to those to be provided for the Program which is the subject of this RFP has resulted in any formal claims for breach of those contracts. For purposes of this disclosure, "**formal claims**" means any claims for breach that have been filed as a lawsuit in any court, submitted for arbitration (whether voluntary or involuntary, binding or not), or assigned to mediation. For any such claims disclosed, fully explain the details of those claims, including the allegations regarding all alleged breaches, any written or legal action resulting from those allegations, and the results of any litigation, arbitration, or mediation regarding those claims, including terms of any settlement. While disclosure of any formal claims will not automatically disqualify a Respondent from consideration, at the sole discretion of Equalis Group, such claims and a review of the background details may result in a rejection of a Respondent's proposal. Equalis Group will make this decision based on the Proposal Review Team's determination of the seriousness of the claims, the potential impact that the behavior that led to the claims could have on the Respondent's performance of the work, and the best interests of Members.

Provide statement here. None

2. **Mandatory Disclosure of Governmental Investigations.**

Indicate whether your company and/or any of the proposed subcontractor(s) has been the subject of any adverse regulatory or adverse administrative governmental action (federal, state, or local) with respect to your company's performance of services similar to those described in this RFP. If any such instances are disclosed, Respondents must fully explain, in detail, the nature of the governmental action, the allegations that led to the governmental action, and the results of the governmental action including any legal action that was taken against the Respondent by the governmental agency. While disclosure of any governmental action will not automatically disqualify a Respondent from consideration, such governmental action and a review of the background details may result in a rejection of the Respondent's proposal at Group's sole discretion. Equalis Group will make this decision based on the Proposal Review Team's determination of the seriousness of the claims, the potential impact that the behavior that led to the claims could have on the Respondent's performance of the work, and the best interests of Members.

None

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5 Proposal Form 7: Dealer, Reseller, and Distributor Authorization

CCOG allows Suppliers to authorize dealers, distributors, and resellers to sell the products and services made available through, and consistent with the Terms and Conditions set forth in, the Master Agreement. If Supplier intends to authorize their dealers, distributors, or resellers access to the Master Agreement in the event of a contract award Supplier must provide a list, either in the form of a document or a weblink, to identify those organizations who are being authorized access to the Master Agreement.

Will the Supplier authorize dealers, distributors, resellers access to Master Agreement?

☐ Yes

☒ No

If yes, how will Supplier disclose which organization(s) will have access to the Master Agreement? This list can be updated from time to time upon CCOG's approval.

Respondent Response: N/A

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6 Proposal Form 8: Mandatory Supplier & Proposal Certifications

CCOG may not enter into contracts with any suppliers who have been found to be ineligible for state contracts under specific federal or Ohio statutes or regulations. Companies responding to any CCOG RFP MUST certify that they are NOT ineligible by signing each of the statements below. **Failure to provide proper affirming signature on any of these statements will result in a Respondent's proposal being deemed nonresponsive to this RFP.**

I, Robin L. Appleton, hereby certify and affirm that Hughes Network Systems, LLC, has not been debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in transactions by the United States Department of Labor, the United States Department of Health and Human Services, or any other federal department or agency as set forth in 29 CFR Part 98, or 45 CFR Part 76, or other applicable statutes.

AND

I, Robin L. Appleton, hereby certify and affirm that Hughes Network Systems, LLC, is in compliance with all federal, state, and local laws, rules, and regulations, including but not limited to the Occupational Safety and Health Act and the Ohio Bureau of Employment Services and the following:

- Not penalized or debarred from any public contracts or falsified certified payroll records or any other violation of the Fair Labor Standards Act in the last three (3) years;
- Not found to have violated any worker's compensation law within the last three (3) years;
- Not violated any employee discrimination law within the last three (3) years;
- Not have been found to have committed more than one (1) willful or repeated OSHA violation of a safety standard (*as opposed to a record keeping or administrative standard*) in the last three (3) years;
- Not have an Experience Modification Rating of greater than 1.5 (a penalty-rated employer) with respect to the Bureau of Workers' Compensation risk assessment rating; and
- Not have failed to file any required tax returns or failed to pay any required taxes to any governmental entity within the past three (3) years.

AND

I, Robin L. Appleton, hereby certify and affirm that Hughes Network Systems, LLC, is not on the list established by the Ohio Secretary of State, pursuant to **ORC Section 121.23**, which identifies persons and businesses with more than one unfair labor practice contempt of court finding against them.

AND

I, Robin L. Appleton, hereby certify and affirm that Hughes Network Systems, LLC either is not subject to a finding for recovery under **ORC Section 9.24**, or has taken appropriate remedial steps required under that

statute to resolve any findings for recovery, or otherwise qualifies under that section to enter into contracts with CCOG.

I, Robin L. Appleton, hereby affirm that this proposal accurately represents the capabilities and qualifications of Hughes Network Systems, LLC, and I hereby affirm that the cost(s) proposed to CCOG for the performance of services and/or provision of goods covered in this proposal in response to this CCOG RFP is a firm fixed price structure as described in the Cost Proposal, inclusive of all incidental as well as primary costs. *(Failure to provide the proper affirming signature on this item may result in the disqualification of your proposal.)*

7 Proposal Form 9: Clean Air Act & Clean Water Act

The Respondent is in compliance with all applicable standards, orders or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act of 1970, as Amended (42 U.S. C. 1857 (h), Section 508 of the Clean Water Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1368), Executive Order 117389 and Environmental Protection Agency Regulation, 40 CFR Part 15 as required under OMB Circular A-102, Attachment O, Paragraph 14 (1) regarding reporting violations to the grantor agency and to the United States Environment Protection Agency Assistant Administrator for the Enforcement.

Authorized signature: Robin L. Appleton

Printed Name: Robin L. Appleton

Company Name: Hughes Network Systems, LLC

Mailing Address: 1171 Exploration Lane, Germantown, MD
20876


Email Address: Robin.appleton@hughes.com

Job Title: Sr. Corporate Counsel

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8 Proposal Form 10: Debarment Notice

I, the Respondent, certify that my company has not been debarred, suspended or otherwise ineligible for participation in Federal Assistance programs under Executive Order 12549, "Debarment and Suspension", as described in the Federal Register and Rules and Regulations.

Respondents Name:	<u>Robin L. Appleton</u>
Mailing Address:	<u>11717 Exploration Lane</u>
	<u>Germantown, MD 20876</u>
Signature	<u></u>
Title of Signatory:	<u>Sr. Corporate Counsel</u>


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9 Proposal Form 11: Lobbying Certifications

Submission of this certification is a prerequisite for making or entering into this transaction and is imposed by **Section 1352, Title 31, U.S. Code**. This certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was made or entered into. Any person who fails to file the required certification shall be subject to civil penalty of not less than ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) and not more than one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) for each such failure.

The undersigned certifies, to the best of his/her knowledge and belief, on behalf of Respondent that:

1. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the awarding of a Federal contract, the making of a Federal grant, the making of a Federal loan, the entering into a cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of a Federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement.
2. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal contract or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions.
3. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all covered sub-awards exceeding one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) in Federal funds at all appropriate tiers and that all sub-recipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

Signature: 
Date: 12/12/24

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10 Proposal Form 12: Contractor Certification Requirements

1. Contractor's Employment Eligibility

By entering the contract, Contractor warrants compliance with the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act (FINA), and all other federal and state immigration laws and regulations. The Contractor further warrants that it is in compliance with the various state statutes of the states it will operate this contract in.

Participating Government Entities including School Districts may request verification of compliance from any Contractor or subcontractor performing work under this Contract. These Entities reserve the right to confirm compliance in accordance with applicable laws.

Should the Participating Entities suspect or find that the Contractor or any of its subcontractors are not in compliance, they may pursue any and all remedies allowed by law, including, but not limited to: suspension of work, termination of the Contract for default, and suspension and/or debarment of the Contractor. All costs necessary to verify compliance are the responsibility of the Contractor.

The Respondent complies and maintains compliance with the appropriate statutes which requires compliance with federal immigration laws by State employers, State contractors and State subcontractors in accordance with the E-Verify Employee Eligibility Verification Program.

Contractor shall comply with governing board policy of the CCOG Participating entities in which work is being performed.

2. Fingerprint & Criminal Background Checks

If required to provide services on school district property at least five (5) times during a month, contractor shall submit a full set of fingerprints to the school district if requested of each person or employee who may provide such service. Alternately, the school district may fingerprint those persons or employees. An exception to this requirement may be made as authorized in Governing Board policy. The district shall conduct a fingerprint check in accordance with the appropriate state and federal laws of all contractors, subcontractors or vendors and their employees for which fingerprints are submitted to the district. Contractor, subcontractors, vendors and their employees shall not provide services on school district properties until authorized by the District.

The Respondent shall comply with fingerprinting requirements in accordance with appropriate statutes in the state in which the work is being performed unless otherwise exempted.

Contractor shall comply with governing board policy in the school district or Participating Entity in which work is being performed.

Signature:



Date:

12/12/24

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11 Proposal Form 13: Boycott Certification

Respondent must certify that during the term of any Agreement, it does not boycott Israel and will not boycott Israel. "Boycott" means refusing to deal with, terminating business activities with, or otherwise taking any action that is intended to penalize, inflict economic harm on, or limit commercial relations specifically with Israel, or with a person or entity doing business in Israel or in an Israeli-controlled territory, but does not include an action made for ordinary business purposes.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

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12 Proposal Form 14: Federal Funds Certification Forms

When a participating agency seeks to procure goods and services using funds under a federal grant or contract, specific federal laws, regulations, and requirements may apply in addition to those under state law. This includes, but is not limited to, the procurement standards of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, 2 CFR 200 (sometimes referred to as the “Uniform Guidance” or “EDGAR” requirements).

All Respondents submitting proposals must complete this Federal Funds Certification Form regarding Respondent’s willingness and ability to comply with certain requirements which may be applicable to specific participating agency purchases using federal grant funds. This completed form will be made available to Members for their use while considering their purchasing options when using federal grant funds. Members may also require Supplier Partners to enter into ancillary agreements, in addition to the contract’s general terms and conditions, to address the member’s specific contractual needs, including contract requirements for a procurement using federal grants or contracts.

For each of the items below, respondent should certify their agreement and ability to comply, where applicable, by having respondents authorized representative complete and initial the applicable lines after each section and sign the acknowledgment at the end of this form. If a Respondent fails to complete any item in this form, CCOG will consider the Respondent’s response to be that they are unable or unwilling to comply. A negative response to any of the items may, if applicable, impact the ability of a participating agency to purchase from the Supplier Partner using federal funds.

1. *Supplier Partner Violation or Breach of Contract Terms*

Contracts for more than the simplified acquisition threshold currently set at one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000), which is the inflation adjusted amount determined by the Civilian Agency Acquisition Council and the Defense Acquisition Regulations Council (Councils) as authorized by 41 USC 1908, must address administrative, contractual, or legal remedies in instances where Supplier Partners violate or breach contract terms, and provide for such sanctions and penalties as appropriate.

Any contract award will be subject to Terms and Conditions of the Master Agreement, as well as any additional terms and conditions in any purchase order, participating agency ancillary contract, or Member construction contract agreed upon by Supplier Partner and the participating agency which must be consistent with and protect the participating agency at least to the same extent as the CCOG Terms and Conditions.

The remedies under the contract are in addition to any other remedies that may be available under law or in equity. By submitting a proposal, you agree to these Supplier Partner violation and breach of contract terms.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

2. Termination for Cause or Convenience

When a participating agency expends federal funds, the participating agency reserves the right to immediately terminate any agreement in excess of ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) resulting from this procurement process in the event of a breach or default of the agreement by Offeror in the event Offeror fails to: (1) meet schedules, deadlines, and/or delivery dates within the time specified in the procurement solicitation, contract, and/or a purchase order; (2) make any payments owed; or (3) otherwise perform in accordance with the contract and/or the procurement solicitation. Participating agency also reserves the right to terminate the contract immediately, with written notice to offeror, for convenience, if participating agency believes, in its sole discretion that it is in the best interest of participating agency to do so. Respondent will be compensated for work performed and accepted and goods accepted by participating agency as of the termination date if the contract is terminated for convenience of participating agency. Any award under this procurement process is not exclusive and participating agency reserves the right to purchase goods and services from other offerors when it is in participating agency's best interest.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

3. Equal Employment Opportunity

Except as otherwise provided under 41 CFR Part 60, all participating agency purchases or contracts that meet the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3 shall be deemed to include the equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b), in accordance with Executive Order 11246, "Equal Employment Opportunity" (30 FR 12319, 12935, 3 CFR Part, 1964-1965 Comp., p. 339), as amended by Executive Order 11375, "Amending Executive Order 11246 Relating to Equal Employment Opportunity," and implementing regulations at 41 CFR Part 60, "Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, Equal Employment Opportunity, Department of Labor."

The equal opportunity clause provided under 41 CFR 60-1.4(b) is hereby incorporated by reference. Supplier Partner agrees that such provision applies to any participating agency purchase or contract that meets the definition of "federally assisted construction contract" in 41 CFR Part 60-1.3 and Supplier Partner agrees that it shall comply with such provision.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

4. Davis-Bacon Act

When required by Federal program legislation, Supplier Partner agrees that, for all participating agency prime construction contracts/purchases in excess of two thousand dollars (\$2,000), Supplier Partner shall comply with the Davis-Bacon Act (40 USC 3141-3144, and 3146-3148) as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5, "Labor Standards Provisions Applicable to Contracts Covering Federally

Financed and Assisted Construction”). In accordance with the statute, Supplier Partner is required to pay wages to laborers and mechanics at a rate not less than the prevailing wages specified in a wage determinate made by the Secretary of Labor. In addition, Supplier Partner shall pay wages not less than once a week.

Current prevailing wage determinations issued by the Department of Labor are available at www.wdol.gov. Supplier Partner agrees that, for any purchase to which this requirement applies, the award of the purchase to the Supplier Partner is conditioned upon Supplier Partner’s acceptance of the wage determination.

Supplier Partner further agrees that it shall also comply with the Copeland “Anti-Kickback” Act (40 USC 3145), as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 3, “Contractors and Subcontractors on Public Building or Public Work Financed in Whole or in Part by Loans or Grants from the United States”. The Act provides that each Supplier Partner or subrecipient must be prohibited from inducing, by any means, any person employed in the construction, completion, or repair of public work, to give up any part of the compensation to which he or she is otherwise entitled.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

5. Contract Work Hours and Safety Standards Act

Where applicable, for all participating agency contracts or purchases in excess of one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) that involve the employment of mechanics or laborers, Supplier Partner agrees to comply with 40 USC 3702 and 3704, as supplemented by Department of Labor regulations (29 CFR Part 5). Under 40 USC 3702 of the Act, Supplier Partner is required to compute the wages of every mechanic and laborer on the basis of a standard work week of forty (40) hours. Work in excess of the standard work week is permissible provided that the worker is compensated at a rate of not less than one and a half times the basic rate of pay for all hours worked in excess of forty (40) hours in the work week. The requirements of 40 USC 3704 are applicable to construction work and provide that no laborer or mechanic must be required to work in surroundings or under working conditions which are unsanitary, hazardous or dangerous. These requirements do not apply to the purchases of supplies or materials or articles ordinarily available on the open market, or contracts for transportation or transmission of intelligence.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

6. Right to Inventions Made Under a Contract or Agreement

If the participating agency’s Federal award meets the definition of “funding agreement” under 37 CFR 401.2(a) and the recipient or subrecipient wishes to enter into a contract with a small business firm or nonprofit organization regarding the substitution of parties, assignment or performance or experimental, developmental, or research work under that “funding agreement,” the recipient or subrecipient must comply with the requirements of 37 CFR Part 401, “Rights to Inventions Made by Nonprofit Organizations and Small Business Firms Under Government Grants, Contracts and Cooperative Agreements,” and any implementing regulations issued by the awarding agency.

Supplier Partner agrees to comply with the above requirements when applicable.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

7. Clean Air Act and Federal Water Pollution Control Act

Clean Air Act (42 USC 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act (33 USC 1251-1387), as amended – Contracts and subgrants of amounts in excess of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000) must contain a provision that requires the non-Federal award to agree to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act (42 USC 7401-7671q.) and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act, as amended (33 USC 1251-1387). Violations must be reported to the Federal awarding agency and the Regional Office of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

When required, Supplier Partner agrees to comply with all applicable standards, orders, or regulations issued pursuant to the Clean Air Act and the Federal Water Pollution Control Act.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

8. Debarment and Suspension

Debarment and Suspension (Executive Orders 12549 and 12689) – A contract award (see 2 CFR 180.220) must not be made to parties listed on the government-wide exclusions in the System for Award Management (SAM), in accordance with the OMB guidelines at 2 CFR 180 that implement Executive Orders 12549 (3 CFR Part 1966 Comp. p. 189) and 12689 (3CFR Part 1989 Comp. p. 235), “Debarment and Suspension.” SAM Exclusions contains the names of parties debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies, as well as parties declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.

Supplier Partner certifies that Supplier Partner is not currently listed on the government-wide exclusions in SAM, is not debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies or declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549. Supplier Partner further agrees to immediately notify the Cooperative and all Members with pending purchases or seeking to purchase from Supplier Partner if Supplier Partner is later listed on the government-wide exclusions in SAM, or is debarred, suspended, or otherwise excluded by agencies or declared ineligible under statutory or regulatory authority other than Executive Order 12549.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

9. *Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment*

Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 USC 1352) – Supplier Partners that apply or bid for an award exceeding one hundred thousand dollars (\$100,000) must file the required certification. Each tier certifies to the tier above that it will not and has not used Federal appropriated funds to pay any person or organization for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a member of Congress, officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a member of Congress in connection with obtaining any Federal contract, grant or any other award covered by 31 USC 1352. Each tier must also disclose any lobbying with non-Federal funds that takes place in connection with obtaining any Federal award. Such disclosures are forwarded from tier to tier up to the non-Federal award. As applicable, Supplier Partner agrees to file all certifications and disclosures required by, and otherwise comply with, the Byrd Anti-Lobbying Amendment (31 USC 1352).

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

10. *Procurement of Recovered Materials*

For participating agency purchases utilizing Federal funds, Supplier Partner agrees to comply with Section 6002 of the Solid Waste Disposal Act, as amended by the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act where applicable and provide such information and certifications as a participating agency maybe required to confirm estimates and otherwise comply. The requirements of Section 6002 includes procuring only items designated in guidelines of the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) at 40 CFR Part 247 that contain the highest percentage of recovered materials practicable, consistent with maintaining a satisfactory level of competition, where the purchase price of the item exceeds ten thousand dollars (\$10,000) or the value of the quantity acquired during the preceding fiscal year exceeded ten thousand dollars (\$10,000); procuring solid waste management services in a manner that maximizes energy and resource recovery, and establishing an affirmative procurement program for procurement of recovered materials identified in the EPA guidelines.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

11. *Profit as a Separate Element of Price*

For purchases using federal funds in excess of one hundred fifty thousand dollars (\$150,000), a participating agency may be required to negotiate profit as a separate element of the price. See, 2 CFR 200.324(b). When required by a participating agency, Supplier Partner agrees to provide information and negotiate with the participating agency regarding profit as a separate element of the price for a particular purchase. However, Supplier Partner agrees that the total price, including profit, charged by Supplier Partner to the participating agency shall not exceed the awarded pricing, including any applicable discount, under Supplier Partner's Group Purchasing Agreement.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

12. Prohibition on Certain Telecommunications and Video Surveillance Services or Equipment

Vendor agrees that recipients and subrecipients are prohibited from obligating or expending loan or grant funds to procure or obtain, extend or renew a contract to procure or obtain, or enter into a contract (or extend or renew a contract) to procure or obtain equipment, services, or systems that uses covered telecommunications equipment or services as a substantial or essential component of any system, or as critical technology as part of any system from companies described in Public Law 115-232, section 889. Telecommunications or video surveillance equipment or services produced or provided by an entity that the Secretary of Defense, in consultation with the Director of the National Intelligence or the Director of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reasonably believes to be an entity owned or controlled by, or otherwise connected to, the government of a covered foreign country are also prohibited.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

13. Domestic preferences for procurements

For participating agency purchases utilizing Federal funds, Respondent agrees to provide proof, where applicable, that the materials, including but not limited to, iron, aluminum, steel, cement, and other manufactured products are produced in the United States.

“Produced in the United States” means, for iron and steel products, that all manufacturing processes, from the initial melting stage through the application of coatings, occurred in the United States.

“Manufactured products” means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

14. General Compliance and Cooperation with Members

In addition to the foregoing specific requirements, Vendor agrees, in accepting any purchase order from a Member, it shall make a good faith effort to work with Members to provide such information and to satisfy such requirements as may apply to a particular participating agency purchase or purchases including, but not limited to, applicable recordkeeping and record retention requirements.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

15. Applicability to Subcontractors

Offeror agrees that all contracts it awards pursuant to the Contract shall be bound by the foregoing terms and conditions.

Does Respondent agree? Yes RLA
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

By signature below, I certify that the information in this form is true, complete, and accurate and that I am authorized by my company to make this certification and all consents and agreements contained herein.

Authorized signature:

Robin L. Appleton

Printed Name: Robin L. Appleton
Company Name: Hughes Network Systems, LLC
Mailing Address: 11717 Exploration Ln, Germantown, MD 20876
Job Title: Sr. Corporate Counsel

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13 Proposal Form 15: FEMA Funding Requirements Certification Forms

Please answer the following question. If yes, complete this Proposal Form.

In the event of a contract award, does the Respondent intend to make their products and services available to public agencies utilizing FEMA funds or seeking reimbursement from FEMA?	<input checked="checked" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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When a participating agency seeks to procure goods and services using funds under a federal grant or contract, specific federal laws, regulations, and requirements may apply in addition to those under state law. This includes, but is not limited to, the procurement standards of the Uniform Administrative Requirements, Cost Principles and Audit Requirements for Federal Awards, 2 CFR 200 (sometimes referred to as the “Uniform Guidance” or “EDGAR” requirements). Additionally, Appendix II to Part 200 authorizes FEMA to require or recommend additional provisions for contracts.

All Respondents submitting proposals who desire to work with Members utilizing FEMA funds must complete this FEMA Recommended Contract Provisions Form regarding Respondent’s willingness and ability to comply with certain requirements which may be applicable to specific participating agency purchases using FEMA funds. This completed form will be made available to Members for their use while considering their purchasing options when using FEMA grant funds. Members may also require Supplier Partners to enter into ancillary agreements, in addition to the contract’s general terms and conditions, to address the member’s specific contractual needs, including contract requirements for a procurement using federal grants or contracts.

For each of the items below, Respondent should certify Respondent’s agreement and ability to comply, where applicable, by having respondents authorized representative complete and initial the applicable lines after each section and sign the acknowledgment at the end of this form. If a Respondent fails to complete any item in this form, CCOG will consider the respondent’s response to be that they are unable or unwilling to comply. A negative response to any of the items may, if applicable, impact the ability of a participating agency to purchase from the Supplier Partner using federal funds.

1. Access to Records

For All Procurements

The Winning Supplier agrees to provide the participating agency, the pass-through entity (if applicable), the FEMA Administrator, the Comptroller General of the United States, or any of their authorized representatives access to any books, documents, papers, and records of the Contractor which are directly pertinent to this contract for the purposes of making audits, examinations, excerpts, and transcriptions.

The Winning Supplier agrees to permit any of the foregoing parties to reproduce by any means whatsoever or to copy excerpts and transcriptions as reasonably needed.

The Winning Supplier agrees to provide the FEMA Administrator or his authorized representatives access to construction or other work sites pertaining to the work being completed under the contract.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

For Contracts Entered into After August 1, 2017, Under a Major Disaster or Emergency Declaration

In compliance with section 1225 of the Disaster Recovery Reform Act of 2018, the participating agency, and the Winning Supplier acknowledge and agree that no language in this contract is intended to prohibit audits or internal reviews by the FEMA Administrator or the Comptroller General of the United States.”

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

2. Changes

FEMA recommends that all contracts include a changes clause that describes how, if at all, changes can be made by either party to alter the method, price, or schedule of the work without breaching the contract. The language of the clause may depend on the nature of the contract and the procured item(s) or service(s). The participating agency should also consult their servicing legal counsel to determine whether and how contract changes are permissible under applicable state, local, or tribal laws or regulations.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

3. Use of DHS Seal, Logo, and Flags

The Winning Supplier shall not use the DHS seal(s), logos, crests, or reproductions of flags or likenesses of DHS agency officials without specific FEMA pre-approval. The contractor shall include this provision in any subcontracts.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

4. Compliance with Federal Law, Regulations, And Executive Orders and Acknowledgement of Federal Funding

This is an acknowledgement that when FEMA financial assistance is used to fund all or a portion of the participating agency’s contract with the Winning Supplier, the Winning Supplier will comply with all applicable federal law, regulations, executive orders, FEMA policies, procedures, and directives.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

5. No Obligation by Federal Government

The federal government is not a party to this or any contract resulting from this or future procurements with the participating agencies and is not subject to any obligations or liabilities to the non-federal entity, contractor, or any other party pertaining to any matter resulting from the contract.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

6. Program Fraud and False or Fraudulent Statements or Related Acts

The Winning Supplier acknowledges that 31 U.S.C. Chap. 38 (Administrative Remedies for False Claims and Statements) applies to the contractor's actions pertaining to this contract.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

7. Affirmative Socioeconomic Steps

If subcontracts are to be let, the Winning Supplier is required to take all necessary steps identified in 2 C.F.R. § 200.321(b)(1)-(5) to ensure that small and minority businesses, women's business enterprises, and labor surplus area firms are used when possible.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)


8. License and Delivery of Works Subject to Copyright and Data Rights

The Winning Supplier grants to the participating agency, a paid-up, royalty-free, nonexclusive, irrevocable, worldwide license in data first produced in the performance of this contract to reproduce, publish, or otherwise use, including prepare derivative works, distribute copies to the public, and perform publicly and display publicly such data. For data required by the contract but not first produced in the performance of this contract, the Winning Supplier will identify such data and grant to the participating agency or acquires on its behalf a license of the same scope as for data first produced in the performance of this contract. Data, as used herein, shall include any work subject to copyright under 17 U.S.C. § 102, for example, any written reports or literary works, software and/or source code, music, choreography, pictures or images, graphics, sculptures, videos, motion pictures or other audiovisual works, sound and/or video recordings, and architectural works. Upon or before the completion of this contract, the Winning Supplier will deliver to the participating agency data first produced in the performance of this contract and data required by the contract but not first produced in the performance of this contract in formats acceptable by the (insert name of the non-federal entity).

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

By signature below, I certify that the information in this form is true, complete, and accurate and that I am authorized by my company to make this certification and all consents and agreements contained herein.

Authorized signature:



Printed Name:

Robin Appleton

Company Name:

Hughes Network Systems, LLC

Mailing Address:

11717 Exploration Ln, Germantown, MD 20876

Job Title:

Sr. Corporate Counsel

14 Proposal Form 16: Arizona Contractor Requirements

Please answer the following question. If yes, please complete this Proposal Form.

In the event of a contract award, does the Respondent intend to make their products and services available to public agencies in the State of Arizona?	<input checked="checked" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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In the event the Awarded Supplier desires to pursue public sector opportunities in the State of Arizona, it is important to understand the requirements for working with those public agencies. The documentation and information contained in this proposal form are intended to provide the Respondent with documentation that could be relevant to the providing products & services to public agencies in the State of Arizona. It is the responsibility of the public agency to ensure they are in compliance with local requirements.

AZ Compliance with Federal and State Requirements

Contractor agrees when working on any federally assisted projects with more than \$2,000.00 in labor costs, to comply with all federal and state requirements, as well as Equal Opportunity Employment requirements and all other federal and state laws, statutes, etc. Contractor agrees to post wage rates at the work site and submit a copy of their payroll to the member for their files. Contractor must retain records for three years to allow the federal grantor agency access to these records, upon demand. Contractor also agrees to comply with the Arizona Executive Order 75-5, as amended by Executive Order 99-4.

When working on contracts funded with Federal Grant monies, contractor additionally agrees to comply with the administrative requirements for grants, and cooperative agreements to state, local and federally recognized Indian Tribal Governments.

AZ compliance with workforce requirements

Pursuant to ARS 41-4401, Contractor and subcontractor(s) warrant their compliance with all federal and state immigration laws and regulations that relate to their employees, and compliance with ARS 23-214 subsection A, which states, ..." every employer, after hiring an employee, shall verify the employment eligibility of the employee through the E-Verify program"

CCOG reserves the right to cancel or suspend the use of any contract for violations of immigration laws and regulations. CCOG and its members reserve the right to inspect the papers of any contractor or subcontract employee who works under this contract to ensure compliance with the warranty above.

AZ Contractor Employee Work Eligibility

By entering into this contract, contractor agrees and warrants compliance with A.R.S. 41-4401, A.R.S. 23-214, the Federal Immigration and Nationality Act (FINA), and all other Federal immigration laws and regulations. CCOG and/or CCOG members may request verification of compliance from any contractor or sub-contractor performing work under this contract. CCOG and CCOG members reserve the right to confirm compliance. In the event that CCOG or CCOG members suspect or find that any contractor or subcontractor is not in compliance, CCOG may pursue any and all remedies allowed by law, including but not limited to suspension of work, termination of contract, suspension and/or debarment of the contractor. All cost associated with any legal action will be the responsibility of the contractor.

AZ Non-Compliance

All federally assisted contracts to members that exceed \$10,000.00 may be terminated by the federal grantee for noncompliance by contractor. In projects that are not federally funded, Respondent must agree to meet any federal, state or local requirements as necessary. In addition, if compliance with the federal regulations increases the contract costs beyond the agreed upon costs in this solicitation, the additional costs may only apply to the portion of the work paid by the federal grantee.

Registered Sex Offender Restrictions (Arizona)

For work to be performed at an Arizona school, contractor agrees that no employee or employee of a subcontractor who has been adjudicated to be a registered sex offender will perform work at any time when students are present, or reasonably expected to be present. Contractor agrees that a violation of this condition shall be considered a material breach and may result in the cancellation of the purchase order at the CCOG member's discretion. Contractor must identify any additional costs associated with compliance to this term. If no costs are specified, compliance with this term will be provided at no additional charge.

Offshore Performance of Work Prohibited

Due to security and identity protection concerns, direct services under this contract shall be performed within the borders of the United States.

Terrorism Country Divestments: In accordance with A.R.S. 35-392, CCOG and CCOG members are prohibited from purchasing from a company that is in violation of the Export Administration Act. By entering into the contract, contractor warrants compliance with the Export Administration Act.

The undersigned hereby accepts and agrees to comply with all statutory compliance and notice requirements listed in this document.

Does Respondent agree? Yes *RLA*
(Initials of Authorized Representative)

Date: 12/12/24

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15 Proposal Form 17: New Jersey Requirements

Please answer the following question. If yes, complete this Proposal Form.

Does the awarded supplier intend to make their products and services available to public agencies in the State of New Jersey?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
	<input type="checkbox"/> No

In the event the Awarded Supplier desires to pursue public sector opportunities in the State of New Jersey, it is important to understand the requirements for working with those public agencies. The documentation and information contained in this proposal form are intended to provide the Respondent with documentation that could be relevant to the providing products & services to public agencies in the State of New Jersey. It is the responsibility of the public agency to ensure they are in compliance with local requirements.

New Jersey vendors are also required to comply with the following New Jersey statutes when applicable:

- All anti-discrimination laws, including those contained in N.J.S.A. 10:2-1 through N.J.S.A. 10:2-14, N.J.S.A. 10:5-1, and N.J.S.A. 10:5-31 through 10:5-38.
- Compliance with Prevailing Wage Act, N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.26, for all contracts within the contemplation of the Act.
- Compliance with Public Works Contractor Registration Act, N.J.S.A. 34:11-56.26
- Bid and Performance Security, as required by the applicable municipal or state statutes.

A. Ownership Disclosure Form (N.J.S. 52:25-24.2)

Pursuant to the requirements of P.L. 1999, Chapter 440 effective April 17, 2000 (Local Public Contracts Law), the Respondent shall complete the form attached to these specifications listing the persons owning 10 percent (10%) or more of the firm presenting the proposal.

Company Name: Hughes Network Systems, LLC

Street: 11717 Exploration Ln

City, State, Zip Code: Germantown, MD 20876

Complete as appropriate:

I, Click or tap here to enter text. , certify that I am the sole owner of Click or tap here to enter text., that there are no partners and the business is not incorporated, and the provisions of N.J.S. 52:25-24.2 do not apply.

OR:

I, Click or tap here to enter text., a partner in Click or tap here to enter text., do hereby certify that the following is a list of all individual partners who own a 10% or greater interest therein. I further certify that if one (1) or more of the partners is itself a corporation or partnership, there is also set forth the names and addresses of the stockholders holding 10% or more of that corporation's stock or the individual partners owning 10% or greater interest in that partnership.

OR:

I, Robin L. Appleton, an authorized representative Hughes Network Systems, LLC, a corporation, do hereby certify that the following is a list of the names and addresses of all stockholders in the corporation who own 10% or more of its stock of any class. I further certify that if one (1) or more of such stockholders is itself a corporation or partnership, that there is also set forth the names and addresses of the stockholders holding 10% or more of the corporation's stock or the individual partners owning a 10% or greater interest in that partnership.

(Note: If there are no partners or stockholders owning 10% or more interest, indicate none.)

Name	Address	Interest
Hughes Communications, Inc.	11717 Exploration Ln Germantown, MD 20876	100%
Hughes Satellite Systems, Corporation	9601 South Meridian Boulevard Englewood, Colorado 80112-5308	100%

I further certify that the statements and information contained herein, are complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Signature: Robin L. Appleton
Date: 12/12/24

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B. Non-Collusion AffidavitRespondent Name: Hughes Network Systems, LLCStreet Address: 11717 Exploration LnCity, State Zip: Germantown, MD 20876

State of New Jersey

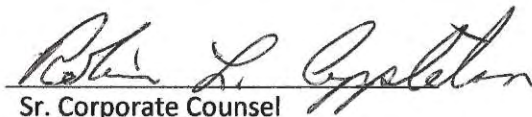
County of Montgomery

I, Robin Appleton of the city of Germantown in the County of Montgomery, State of Maryland of full age, being duly sworn according to law on my oath depose and say that:

I am the Sr. Corporate Counsel of the firm of Hughes Network Systems, LLC the Respondent making the Proposal for the goods, services or public work specified under the Harrison Township Board of Education attached proposal, and that I executed the said proposal with full authority to do so; that said Respondent has not directly or indirectly entered into any agreement, participated in any collusion, or otherwise taken any action in restraint of free, competitive bidding in connection with the above proposal, and that all statements contained in said bid proposal and in this affidavit are true and correct, and made with full knowledge that the Harrison Township Board of Education relies upon the truth of the statements contained in said bid proposal and in the statements contained in this affidavit in awarding the contract for the said goods, services or public work.

I further warrant that no person or selling agency has been employed or retained to solicit or secure such contract upon an agreement or understanding for a commission, percentage, brokerage or contingent fee, except bona fide employees or bona fide established commercial or selling agencies maintained by

Authorized signature:



Job Title:

Sr. Corporate Counsel

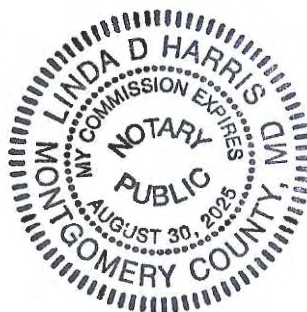
Subscribed and sworn before me

this 11th day of December, 2024

Notary Public of New Jersey

My commission expires 8/30, 2025**LINDA D. HARRIS
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF MARYLAND
MONTGOMERY COUNTY**

SEAL

My Commission Expires August 30, 2025

C. Affirmative Action Affidavit (P.L. 1975, C.127)

Company Name: Hughes Network Systems, LLC
 Street Address: 11717 Exploration Ln
 City, State, Zip Code: Germantown, MD 20876

Bid Proposal Certification:

Indicate below your compliance with New Jersey Affirmative Action regulations. Your proposal will be accepted even if you are not in compliance at this time. No contract and/or purchase order may be issued, however, until all Affirmative Action requirements are met.

Required Affirmative Action Evidence:

Procurement, Professional & Service Contracts (Exhibit A)

Suppliers must submit with proposal:

1. A photo copy of their Federal Letter of Affirmative Action Plan Approval
 OR
2. A photo copy of their Certificate of Employee Information Report
 OR
3. A complete Affirmative Action Employee Information Report (AA302)

Public Work – Over \$50,000 Total Project Cost:

☒ No approved Federal or New Jersey Affirmative Action Plan. We will complete Report Form AA201-A upon receipt from the Harrison Township Board of Education

☐ Approved Federal or New Jersey Plan – certificate enclosed

I further certify that the statements and information contained herein, are complete and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Authorized Signature: *Robert L. Appleton*
 Title of Signatory: Sr. Corporate Counsel
 Date: 12/12/24

P.L. 1995, c. 127 (N.J.A.C. 17:27)

MANDATORY AFFIRMATIVE ACTION LANGUAGE

PROCUREMENT, PROFESSIONAL AND SERVICE CONTRACTS

During the performance of this contract, the contractor agrees as follows:

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will not discriminate against any employee or applicant for employment because of age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, affectional or sexual orientation. The contractor will take affirmative action to ensure that such applicants are recruited and employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, affectional or sexual orientation. Such action shall include, but not be limited to the following: employment, upgrading, demotion, or transfer; recruitment or recruitment advertising; layoff or termination; rates of pay or other forms of compensation; and selection for training, including apprenticeship. The contractor agrees to post in conspicuous places, available to employees and applicants for employment, notices to be provided by the Public Agency Compliance Officer setting forth provisions of this non-discrimination clause.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable will, in all solicitations or advertisement for employees placed by or on behalf of the contractor, state that all qualified applicants will receive consideration for employment without regard to age, race, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, affectional or sexual orientation.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, will send to each labor union or representative of workers with which it has a collective bargaining agreement or other contract or understanding, a notice, to be provided by the agency contracting officer advising the labor union or workers' representative of the contractor's commitments under this act and shall post copies of the notice in conspicuous places available to employees and applicants for employment.

The contractor or subcontractor, where applicable, agrees to comply with any regulations promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to P.L. 1975, c. 127, as amended and supplemented from time to time and the Americans with Disabilities Act.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to attempt in good faith to employ minority and female workers trade consistent with the applicable county employment goal prescribed by N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2 promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to P.L. 1975, C.127, as amended and supplemented from time to time or in accordance with a binding determination of the applicable county employment goals determined by the Affirmative

Action Office pursuant to N.J.A.C. 17:27-5.2 promulgated by the Treasurer pursuant to P.L. 1975, C.127, as amended and supplemented from time to time.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to inform in writing appropriate recruitment agencies in the area, including employment agencies, placement bureaus, colleges, universities, labor unions, that it does not discriminate on the basis of age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, affectional or sexual orientation, and that it will discontinue the use of any recruitment agency which engages in direct or indirect discriminatory practices.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to revise any of its testing procedures, if necessary, to assure that all personnel testing conforms with the principles of job-related testing, as established by the statutes and court decisions of the state of New Jersey and as established by applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

The contractor or subcontractor agrees to review all procedures relating to transfer, upgrading, downgrading and lay-off to ensure that all such actions are taken without regard to age, creed, color, national origin, ancestry, marital status, sex, affectional or sexual orientation, and conform with the applicable employment goals, consistent with the statutes and court decisions of the State of New Jersey, and applicable Federal law and applicable Federal court decisions.

The contractor and its subcontractors shall furnish such reports or other documents to the Affirmative Action Office as may be requested by the office from time to time in order to carry out the purposes of these regulations, and public agencies shall furnish such information as may be requested by the Affirmative Action Office for conducting a compliance investigation pursuant to Subchapter 10 of the Administrative Code (NJAC 17:27).



Signature of Procurement Agent

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D. C. 271 Political Contribution Disclosure Form

PUBLIC AGENCY INSTRUCTIONS

This page provides guidance to public agencies entering into contracts with business entities that are required to file Political Contribution Disclosure forms with the agency. **It is not intended to be provided to contractors.** What follows are instructions on the use of form local units can provide to contractors that are required to disclose political contributions pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26 (P.L. 2005, c. 271, s.2). Additional information is available in Local Finance Notice 2006-1 (https://www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/dlgs/resources/lfns_2006.html).

1. The disclosure is required for all contracts in excess of \$17,500 that are **not awarded** pursuant to a “fair and open” process (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.7).
2. Due to the potential length of some contractor submissions, the public agency should consider allowing data to be submitted in electronic form (i.e., spreadsheet, pdf file, etc.). Submissions must be kept with the contract documents or in an appropriate computer file and be available for public access. **The form is worded to accept this alternate submission.** The text should be amended if electronic submission will not be allowed.
3. The submission must be **received from the contractor and** on file at least 10 days prior to award of the contract. Resolutions of award should reflect that the disclosure has been received and is on file.
4. The contractor must disclose contributions made to candidate and party committees covering a wide range of public agencies, including all public agencies that have elected officials in the county of the public agency, state legislative positions, and various state entities. The Division of Local Government Services recommends that contractors be provided a list of the affected agencies. This will assist contractors in determining the campaign and political committees of the officials and candidates affected by the disclosure.
 - a) The Division has prepared model disclosure forms for each county. They can be downloaded from the “County PCD Forms” link on the Pay-to-Play web site at https://www.state.nj.us/dca/divisions/dlgs/programs/pay_2_play.html. They will be updated from time-to-time as necessary.
 - b) A public agency using these forms **should edit them to properly reflect the correct legislative district(s)**. As the forms are county-based, **they list all legislative districts** in each county. **Districts that do not represent the public agency should be removed from the lists.**
 - c) Some contractors may find it easier to provide a single list that covers all contributions, regardless of the county. These submissions are appropriate and should be accepted.
 - d) The form may be used “as-is”, subject to edits as described herein.
 - e) The “Contractor Instructions” sheet is intended to be provided with the form. It is recommended that the Instructions and the form be printed on the same piece of paper. The form notes that the Instructions are printed on the back of the form; where that is not the case, the text should be edited accordingly.
 - f) The form is a Word document and can be edited to meet local needs, and posted for download on web sites, used as an e-mail attachment, or provided as a printed document.
5. It is recommended that the contractor also complete a “Stockholder Disclosure Certification.” This will assist the local unit in its obligation to ensure that contractor did not make any prohibited contributions to the committees listed on the Business Entity Disclosure Certification in the 12

months prior to the contract. (See Local Finance Notice 2006-7 for additional information on this obligation) A sample Certification form is part of this package and the instruction to complete it is included in the Contractor Instructions. **NOTE: This section is not applicable to Boards of Education.**

CONTRACTOR INSTRUCTIONS

Business entities (contractors) receiving contracts from a public agency in the state of New Jersey that are NOT awarded pursuant to a “fair and open” process (defined at N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.7) are subject to the provisions of P.L. 2005, c. 271, s.2 (N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26). This law provides that 10 days prior to the award of such a contract, the contractor shall disclose contributions to:

- any State, county, or municipal committee of a political party
- any legislative leadership committee*
- any continuing political committee (a.k.a., political action committee)
- any candidate committee of a candidate for, or holder of, an elective office:
 - of the public entity awarding the contract
 - of that county in which that public entity is located
 - of another public entity within that county
 - or of a legislative district in which that public entity is located or, when the public entity is a county, of any legislative district which includes all or part of the county. The disclosure must list reportable contributions to any of the committees that exceed \$300 per election cycle that were made during the 12 months prior to award of the contract. See N.J.S.A. 19:44A-8 and 19:44A-16 for more details on reportable contributions.

N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26 itemizes the parties from whom contributions must be disclosed when a business entity is not a natural person. This includes the following:

- individuals with an “interest” ownership or control of more than 10% of the profits or assets of a business entity or 10% of the stock in the case of a business entity that is a corporation for profit
- all principals, partners, officers, or directors of the business entity or their spouses
- any subsidiaries directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity
- IRS Code Section 527 New Jersey based organizations, directly or indirectly controlled by the business entity and filing as continuing political committees, (PACs). When the business entity is a natural person, “a contribution by that person’s spouse or child, residing therewith, shall be deemed to be a contribution by the business entity.” [N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26(b)] The contributor must be listed on the disclosure. Any business entity that fails to comply with the disclosure provisions shall be subject to a fine imposed by ELEC in an amount to be determined by the Commission which may be based upon the amount that the business entity failed to report. The enclosed list of agencies is provided to assist the contractor in identifying those public agencies whose elected official and/or candidate campaign committees are affected by the disclosure requirement. It is the contractor’s responsibility to identify the specific committees to which contributions may have been made and need to be disclosed. The disclosed information may exceed the minimum requirement. The enclosed form, a content-consistent facsimile, or an electronic data file containing the required details (along with a signed cover sheet) may be used as the contractor’s submission and is disclosable to the public under the Open Public Records Act. The contractor must also complete the attached Stockholder Disclosure Certification. This will assist the agency in meeting its obligations under the law.

NOTE: This section does not apply to Board of Education contracts.

¹ N.J.S.A. 19:44A-3(s): “The term "legislative leadership committee" means a committee established, authorized to be established, or designated by the President of the Senate, the Minority Leader of the Senate, the Speaker of the General Assembly or the Minority Leader of the General Assembly pursuant to section 16 of P.L.1993, c.65 (C.19:44A-10.1) for the purpose of receiving contributions and making expenditures.”

C. 271 POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE FORM

Required Pursuant To N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26

This form or its permitted facsimile must be submitted to the local unit no later than 10 days prior to the award of the contract.

Part I – Vendor Information

Vendor Name:	Insert vendor name here.		
Address:	Insert street address here.		
City:	Insert City Here.	State:State.	Zip:Zip Code

The undersigned being authorized to certify, hereby certifies that the submission provided herein represents compliance with the provisions of N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26 and as represented by the Instructions accompanying this form.

	Insert Full Name	Insert Title.
Signature of Vendor	Printed Name	Title

Part II – Contribution Disclosure

Disclosure requirement: Pursuant to N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26 this disclosure must include all reportable political contributions (more than \$300 per election cycle) over the 12 months prior to submission to the committees of the government entities listed on the form provided by the local unit.

☐ Check here if disclosure is provided in electronic form.

Contributor Name	Recipient Name	Date	Dollar Amount
			\$

☐ Check here if the information is continued on subsequent page(s)

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C. 271 POLITICAL CONTRIBUTION DISCLOSURE FORM

Required Pursuant To N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26

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List of Agencies with Elected Officials Required for Political Contribution Disclosure**N.J.S.A. 19:44A-20.26****County Name:**

State: Governor, and Legislative Leadership Committees

Legislative District #s:

State Senator and two members of the General Assembly per district.

County:

Freeholders

County Clerk

Sheriff

{County Executive}

Surrogate

Municipalities (Mayor and members of governing body, regardless of title):

USERS SHOULD CREATE THEIR OWN FORM, OR DOWNLOAD FROM WWW.NJ.GOV/DCA/LGS/P2P A COUNTY-BASED, CUSTOMIZABLE FORM.**E. Stockholder Disclosure Certification****Name of Business:**☐ I certify that the list below contains the names and home addresses of all stockholders holding 10% or more of the issued and outstanding stock of the undersigned.**OR**☐ I certify that no one stockholder owns 10% or more of the issued and outstanding stock of the undersigned.**Check the box that represents the type of business organization:**

- ☐ Partnership
- ☐ Corporation
- ☐ Sole Proprietorship
- ☐ Limited Partnership
- ☐ Limited Liability Corporation
- ☐ Limited Liability Partnership
- ☐ Subchapter S Corporation

Sign and notarize the form below, and, if necessary, complete the stockholder list below.

Stockholders:

Name: Stockholder Name Home Address: Home Address	Name: Stockholder Name Home Address: Home Address
Name: Stockholder Name Home Address: Home Address	Name: Stockholder Name Home Address: Home Address
Name: Stockholder Name Home Address: Home Address	Name: Stockholder Name Home Address: Home Address
<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between;"> <div style="width: 45%;"> Subscribed and sworn before me this ____ day of _____, _____, 2 _____. (Notary Public) </div> <div style="width: 45%;"> _____ (Affiant) _____ (Print name & title of affiant) _____ (Corporate Seal) </div> </div>	

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16 Proposal Form 18: General Terms and Conditions Acceptance Form

Check one of the following responses to the General Terms and Conditions in this solicitation, including the Master Agreement:

☒ We take no exceptions/deviations to the general terms and conditions. **(Note: If none are listed below, it is understood that no exceptions/deviations are taken.)**

☐ We take the following exceptions/deviations to the general terms and conditions. All exceptions/deviations must be clearly explained. Reference the corresponding general terms and conditions that you are taking exceptions/deviations to. Clearly state if you are adding additions terms and conditions to the general terms and conditions. Provide details on your exceptions/deviations below:

N/A

(Note: Unacceptable exceptions shall remove your proposal from consideration for award. CCOG shall be the sole judge on the acceptance of exceptions/deviations and the decision shall be final.)

17 Proposal Form 19: Equalis Group Administration Agreement Declaration

Attachment A - Sample Administration Agreement of this solicitation is for reference only. Contracting with Equalis Group and the Winning Supplier will occur after contract award.

Execution of the Administration Agreement is required for the Master Agreement to be administered by Equalis Group. **Attachment A - Sample Administration Agreement** defines i) the roles and responsibilities of both parties relating to marketing and selling the Program to current and prospective Members, and ii) the financial terms between Equalis Group and Winning Supplier.


Redlined copies of this agreement should not be submitted with the response. Should a Respondent be recommended for award, this agreement will be negotiated and executed between Equalis Group and the Respondent. Respondents must select one of the following options for submitting their response.

- ☐ Respondent agrees to all terms and conditions in **Attachment A - Sample Administration Agreement.**
- ☒ Respondent wishes to negotiate directly with Equalis Group on terms and conditions in the Sample Administration Agreement. Negotiations will commence with Equalis Group after CCOG has completed the contract award.

18 Proposal Form 20: Master Agreement Signature Form

RESPONDENTS MUST SUBMIT THIS FORM COMPLETED AND SIGNED WITH THEIR RESPONSE TO BE CONSIDERED FOR AWARD. RESPONDENTS WHO FAIL TO DO SO WILL BE DETERMINED UNRESPONSIVE AND WILL NO LONGER BE CONSIDERED FOR AWARD.

The undersigned hereby proposes and agrees to furnish Products & Services in strict compliance with the terms, specifications, and conditions contained within this RFP and the Master Agreement at the prices proposed within the submitted proposal unless noted in writing. The undersigned further certifies that he/she is an officer of the company and has authority to negotiate and bind the company named below and has not prepared this proposal in collusion with any other Respondent and that the contents of this proposal as to prices, terms or conditions of said proposal have not been communicated by the undersigned nor by any employee or agent to any person engaged in this type of business prior to the official opening of this proposal.

Company Name	Hughes Network Systems, LLC
Address	11717 Exploration Ln
City/State/Zip	Germantown, MD
Phone Number	301-601-4191
Email Address	Robin.appleton@hughes.com
Printed Name	Robin Appleton
Job Title	Sr. Corporate Counsel
Authorized Signature	

Initial Term of the Master Agreement

Contract Effective Date:	March 1, 2025
Contract Expiration Date:	February 28, 2029
Contract Number:	

(Note: Contract Number will be applied prior to CCOG and Equalis Group countersigning.)

The Cooperative Council of Governments, Inc.
6001 Cochran Road, Suite 333
Cleveland, Ohio 44139

Equalis Group, LLC.
5540 Granite Parkway, Suite 200
Plano, Texas 75024

By: _____
Name: Franklyn A. Corlett

By: _____
Name: Eric Merkle

As: CCOG Board President

Date: _____

As: EVP, Procurement & Operations

Date: _____