

Invitation for Bid



DESCRIPTION: Linewize Web Filtering & Monitoring Solution

The Term "Offer" Means Your "Bid" or "Proposal".

SUBMIT OFFER BY (Opening Date/Time): 5/19/2022 at 2:00 PM - EST

See "Deadline for Submission of Offer" provision

See "Questions from Offerors" provision

QUESTIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY: 5/11/2022 at 2:00 PM - EST

NUMBER OF COPIES TO BE SUBMITTED: One (1) original

Offers must be submitted in a sealed package. Solicitation Number & Opening Date must appear on package exterior.

SUBMIT YOUR OFFER TO THE FOLLOWING ADDRESS:

PHYSICAL & MAILING ADDRESS:

Lancaster County School District Attn: Melinda Adams 300 South Catawba Street Lancaster, SC 29720 See "Submitting Your Offer" provision

CONFERENCE TYPE	· N/A		PRF-BID	LOCATION: N/A			
DATE & TIME:				TRE-BID LOOATION: N/A			
	nces - Pre-Bid/Proposal" & "Site Visit" provisions)						
AWARD &	Award will be posted at the physical addres	Award will be posted at the physical address stated above on or about 5/20/2022. The award, this solicitation,					
AMENDMENTS				https://sites.google.com/lcsd.k12.sc.us/lcsd-			
	procurement/solicitations-awards	0					
You must submit a s	signed copy of this form with your offer.	By submit	ting a bid o	or proposal, you agree to be bound by the			
terms of the solicitati	ion. You agree to hold your offer open fo	r a minimu	im of sixty	(60) calendar days after the opening date.			
NAME OF OFFEROR (Full legal name of business submitting the offer)				OFFEROR'S TYPE OF ENTITY:			
				(Check one)			
			□ Sole Proprietorship				
AUTHORIZED SIGNA	TURE			□ Partnership			
				 Corporate entity (not tax-exempt) Tax exempt corporate entity 			
(Person signing must be authorized to	o submit binding offer to enter contract on behalf of Offeror named above.)		□ Government entity (federal, state, or local)				
TITLE (Business title of person signing above)				□ Other			
				(See "Signing your Offer" provision)			
PRINTED NAME	(Printed name of person signing above)	DATE SIG	SNED	(See Signing your oner provision)			
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				be formed with, the entity identified as the offeror			
above. An offer may be submitted by only one legal entity. The entity named as the offeror must be a single and distinct legal entity. Do not use							
the name of a branch office or a division of a larger entity if the branch or division is not a separate legal entity, <i>i.e.</i> , a separate corporation,							
partnership, sole proprietorship, etc.							
STATE OF INCOR	STATE OF INCORPORATION (If offeror is a corporation, identify the State of Incorporation.)						
TAXPAYER IDENTIFICATION NO. (See "Taxpayer Identification Number" provision)							

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HOME OFFICE ADDRESS (Address for offeror's home office / principal place of business)			NOTICE ADDRESS (Address to which all procurement and contract related notices should be sent.) (See "Notice" clause)						
				Area Code - Number - Extension Facsimile					
				E-mail Address					
PAYMENT ADDRESS (Address to which payments will be sent.) (See "Payment" clause) Payment Address same as Home Office Address Payment Address same as Notice Address (check only one)			ORDER ADDRESS (Address to which purchase orders will be sent) (See "Purchase Orders and "Contract Documents" clauses) Order Address same as Home Office Address Order Address same as Notice Address (check only one)						
ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF AMENDMENTS Offeror acknowledges receipt of amendments by indicating amendment number and			d its date of issue. (See "Amendments to Sc	licitation"	Provision)			
Amendment No. Amendme Da		Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date	Amendment No.	Amendment Issue Date	Amend	ment No.	Amendment Issue Date	
DISCOUNT FOR PROMPT PAYMENT (See "Discount for Prompt Payment" clause)	10) Calendar Days (%)	20 Calend	dar Days (%)	30 Calendar Days (%)	C	alendar Days (%)	
Minority Participation Are you a SC Certific If yes, SC Certification Are you a Non SC C	ed Mino on #) 🗆					

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I. SCOPE OF SOLICITATION

The Lancaster County School District is soliciting competitive sealed bids to provide and install Linewize Web Filtering and Monitoring Solution to include: Linewize Monitor, NetRef, FamilyZone Local Gateway and Linewize School Manager subscriptions, with training and three-year initial agreement. No other brand or type of hardware or software will be accepted.

<u>Acquire Services & Supplies / Equipment:</u> The purpose of this solicitation is to acquire services and supplies or equipment complying with the enclosed description and/or specifications and conditions.

<u>Maximum Contract Period – Estimated</u>: Initial contract period June 1, 2022 through May 31, 2025, with the option to renew the agreement on an annual basis for up to an additional two (2) one year periods. The total contract shall not exceed five (5) years. Dates provided are estimates only. Any resulting contract will begin on the date specified in the notice of award. See clause entitled "Term of Contract – Effective Date/Initial Contract Period".

II. INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS – A. GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS

DEFINITIONS, CAPITALIZATION, AND HEADINGS:

Clause headings used in this solicitation are for convenience only and shall not be used to construe meaning or intent. Even if not capitalized, the following definitions are applicable to all parts of the solicitation, unless expressly provided otherwise.

- 1. Amendment means a document issued to supplement the original solicitation document.
- 2. Authority means the State Fiscal Accountability Authority or its successor in interest.
- 3. Board means the Lancaster County School District Board of Trustees.
- 4. **Business** means any corporation, partnership, individual, sole proprietorship, joint stock company, joint venture, or any other legal entity.
- 5. **Change Order** means any written alteration in specifications, delivery point, rate of delivery, period of performance, price, quantity, or other provisions of any contract accomplished by mutual agreement of the parties to the contract.
- 6. **Contract** See clause entitled "Contract Documents & Order of Precedence."

- 7. **Contract Modification** means a written order signed by the procurement officer, directing the contractor to make changes which the clause of the contract titled "Changes", if included herein, authorizes the Procurement Officer to order without the consent of the contractor.
- 8. **Contractor** means the offeror receiving an award as a result of this solicitation.
- 9. **Cover Page** means the top page of the original solicitation on which the solicitation is identified by number. Offerors are cautioned that amendments may modify information provided on the cover page.
- 10. District means Lancaster County School District (LCSD)
- 11. **Offer** means the bid or proposal submitted in response to this solicitation. The terms "Bid" and "Proposal" are used interchangeably with the term "Offer."
- 12. **Offeror** means the single legal entity submitting the offer. The term "Bidder" is used interchangeably with the term "Offeror." See bidding provisions entitled "Signing Your Offer" and "Bid/Proposal As Offer To Contract."
- 13. **Page Two** means the second page of the original solicitation, which is labeled Page Two.
- 14. **Procurement Officer** means the person, or his successor, identified as such on either the cover page, an amendment, or an award notice. Procurement Officer means the Chief Procurement Officer.
- 15. Solicitation means this document, including all its parts, attachments, and any amendments.
- 16. Subcontractor means any person you contract with to perform or provide any part of the work.
- 17. Us (or) We means the Lancaster County School District ("Lancaster County School District" is used interchangeably with "the district").
- 18. Work means all labor, materials, equipment, services, or property of any type, provided or to be provided by the contractor to fulfill the contractor's obligations under the contract.
- 19. You and Your means offeror.

<u>Amendments to Solicitation:</u> (a) The solicitation may be amended at any time prior to opening. All actual and prospective offerors should monitor the following web site for the issuance of amendments: <u>https://sites.google.com/lcsd.k12.sc.us/lcsd-procurement/solicitations-awards</u> (b) Offerors shall acknowledge receipt of any amendment to this solicitation (1) by signing and returning the amendment, (2) by identifying the amendment number and date in the space provided for this purpose on page two, (3) by letter, or (4) by submitting a bid that indicates in some way that the bidder received the amendment. (c) If this solicitation is amended, then all terms and conditions which are not modified remain unchanged.

Because this IFB is posted electronically, the District may not be aware of all potential offerors, particularly those that attained a copy from this site or other unknown sources. It is the offeror's responsibility to check this website periodically to determine of any amendments have been issued. Any amendments issued by the District shall become a formal part of this IFB.

<u>Authorized Agent:</u> All authority regarding this procurement is vested solely with the responsible Procurement Officer. Unless specifically delegated in writing, the Procurement Officer is the only district official authorized to bind the district with regard to this procurement or the resulting contract.

<u>Award Notification</u>: Notice regarding any award, cancellation of award, or extension of award will be posted at the location and on the date specified on the cover page or, if applicable, any notice of extension of award. The date and location of posting will be announced at opening. Should the contract resulting from this solicitation have a potential value of one hundred thousand dollars or more, such notice will be sent to all offerors responding to the solicitation and any award will not be effective until the eleventh day after such notice is given.

Bid/Proposal as Offer to Contract: By submitting your bid or proposal, you are offering to enter into a contract with the district. Without further action by either party, a binding contract shall result upon final award. Any award issued will be issued to, and the contract will be formed with, the entity identified as the offeror on the cover page. An offer may be submitted by only one legal entity; "joint bids" are not allowed.

<u>Bid Acceptance Period</u>: In order to withdraw your offer after the minimum period specified on the cover page, you must notify the Procurement Officer in writing.

<u>Bid in English & Dollars:</u> Offers submitted in response to this solicitation shall be in the English language and in US dollars, unless otherwise permitted by the solicitation.

Board as Procurement Agent: The Procurement Officer is an employee of the district acting on behalf of the Lancaster County School District pursuant to the Lancaster County School District Procurement Code. Any contracts awarded as a result of this procurement are between the contractor and the district. The Board is not a party to such contracts, unless and to the extent that the Board is a using district department, and bears no liability for any party's losses arising out of or relating in any way to the contract.

Certificate of Independent Price Determination:

GIVING FALSE, MISLEADING, OR INCOMPLETE INFORMATION ON THIS CERTIFICATION MAY RENDER YOU SUBJECT TO PROSECUTION UNDER SECTION 16-9-10 OF THE SOUTH CAROLINA CODE OF LAWS AND OTHER APPLICABLE LAWS.

(a) By submitting an offer, the offeror certifies that-

(1) The prices in this offer have been arrived at independently, without, for the purpose of restricting competition, any consultation, communication, or agreement with any other offeror or competitor relating to—

(i) Those prices;

(ii) The intention to submit an offer; or

(iii) The methods or factors used to calculate the prices offered.

(2) The prices in this offer have not been and will not be knowingly disclosed by the offeror, directly or indirectly, to any other offeror or competitor before bid opening (in the case of a sealed bid solicitation) or contract award (in the case of a negotiated solicitation) unless otherwise required by law; and

(3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the offeror to induce any other concern to submit or not to submit an offer for the purpose of restricting competition.

(b) Each signature on the offer is considered to be a certification by the signatory that the signatory—

(1) Is the person in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices being offered in this bid or proposal, and that the signatory has not participated and will not participate in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification; or

(2)(i) Has been authorized, in writing, to act as agent for the offeror's principals in certifying that those principals have not participated, and will not participate in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification [As used in this subdivision (b)(2)(i), the term "principals" means the person(s) in the offeror's organization responsible for determining the prices offered in this bid or proposal];

(ii) As an authorized agent, does certify that the principals referenced in subdivision (b)(2)(i) of this certification have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification; and

(iii) As an agent, has not personally participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to paragraphs (a)(1) through (a)(3) of this certification.

(c) If the offeror deletes or modifies paragraph (a)(2) of this certification, the offeror must furnish with its offer a signed statement setting forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure.

Certification Regarding Debarment and Other Responsibility Matters:

(a)(1) By submitting an offer, Offeror certifies, to the best of its knowledge and belief, that-

(i) Offeror and/or any of its Principals-

(A) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, or declared ineligible for the award of contracts by any state or federal agency;

(B) Have not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for: commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (federal, state, or local) contract or subcontract; violation of federal or state antitrust statutes relating to the

submission of offers; or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, tax evasion, or receiving stolen property; and

(C) Are not presently indicted for, or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity with, commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph (a)(1)(i)(B) of this provision.

(ii) Offeror has not, within a three-year period preceding this offer, had one or more contracts terminated for default by any public (federal, state, or local) entity.

(2) "Principals," for the purposes of this certification, means officers; directors; owners; partners; and, persons having primary management or supervisory responsibilities within a business entity (e.g., general manager; plant manager; head of a subsidiary, division, or business segment, and similar positions).

(b) Offeror shall provide immediate written notice to the Procurement Officer if, at any time prior to contract award, offeror learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.
(c) If offeror is unable to certify the representations stated in paragraphs (a)(1), Offeror must submit a written explanation regarding its inability to make the certification. The certification will be considered in connection with a review of the offeror's responsibility. Failure of the offeror to furnish additional information as requested by the Procurement Officer may render the offeror non-responsible.

(d) Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render, in good faith, the certification required by paragraph (a) of this provision. The knowledge and information of an offeror is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

(e) The certification in paragraph (a) of this provision is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when making award. If it is later determined that the offeror knowingly or in bad faith rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the district, the Procurement Officer may terminate the contract resulting from this solicitation for default.

<u>Code of Laws Available</u>: The South Carolina Code of Laws, including the Consolidated Procurement Code, is Available at <u>https://www.scstatehouse.gov/code/statmast.php</u>. The South Carolina Regulations are available at: <u>http://www.scstatehouse.gov/coderegs/statmast.php</u>.

<u>Completion of Forms/Correction of Errors</u>: All prices and notations should be printed in ink or typewritten. Errors should be crossed out, corrections entered and initialed by the person signing the bid. Do not modify the solicitation document itself (including bid schedule). Please DO NOT use any form of correction tape or fluid if an error is made on the Bid Schedule or any other documents to be submitted with your bid. This can cause your bid to be rejected. Please mark through the error, write the correct amount or information, and initial the correction.

Deadline for Submission of Offer: Any offer received after the Procurement Officer of the district or his designee has declared that the time set for opening has arrived, shall be rejected unless the offer has been delivered to the designated purchasing office prior to the bid opening.

Disclosure of Conflicts of Interest or Unfair Competitive Advantage: You warrant and represent that your offer identifies and explains any unfair competitive advantage you may have in competing for the proposed contract and any actual or potential conflicts of interest that may arise from your participation in this competition or your receipt of an award. The two underlying principles are (a) preventing the existence of conflicting roles that might bias a contractor's judgment, and (b) preventing an unfair competitive advantage. If you have an unfair competitive advantage or a conflict of interest, the district may withhold award. Before withholding award on these grounds, an offeror will be notified of the concerns and provided a reasonable opportunity to respond. Efforts to avoid or mitigate such concerns, including restrictions on future activities, may be considered. Without limiting the foregoing, you represent that your offer identifies any services that relate to either this solicitation or the work and that has already been performed by you, a proposed subcontractor, or an affiliated business of either.

<u>District Office Closings</u>: If an emergency or unanticipated event interrupts normal district processes so that offers cannot be received at the district office designated for receipt of bids by the exact time specified in the solicitation, the time

specified for receipt of offers will be deemed to be extended to the same time of day specified in the solicitation on the first work day on which normal district processes resume. In lieu of an automatic extension, an amendment may be issued to reschedule bid opening. If district offices are closed at the time a pre-bid or pre-proposal conference is scheduled, an amendment will be issued to reschedule the conference.

Drug Free Work Place Certification: By submitting an offer, contractor certifies that, if awarded a contract, contractor will comply with all applicable provisions of The Drug-free Workplace Act, Title 44, Chapter 107 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended.

Duty to Inquire: Offeror, by submitting an offer, represents that it has read and understands the solicitation and that its offer is made in compliance with the solicitation. Offerors are expected to examine the solicitation thoroughly and should request an explanation of any ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements in the solicitation. Failure to do so will be at the offeror's risk. All ambiguities, discrepancies, errors, omissions, or conflicting statements in the Solicitation shall be interpreted to require the better quality or greater quantity of work and/or materials, unless otherwise directed by amendment. Offeror assumes responsibility for any patent ambiguity in the solicitation that offeror does not bring to the District's attention. (See clause entitled "Questions from Offerors".)

Ethics Certificate: By submitting an offer, the offeror certifies that the offeror has and will comply with, and has not, and will not, induce a person to violate Title 8, Chapter 13 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended (ethics act). The following statutes require special attention: Section 8-13-700, regarding use of official position for financial gain; Section 8-13-705, regarding gifts to influence action of public official; Section 8-13-720, regarding offering money for advice or assistance of public official; Sections 8-13-755 and 8-13-760, regarding restrictions on employment by former public official; Section 8-13-775, prohibiting public official with economic interests from acting on contracts; Section 8-13-790, regarding restrictions on contributions by contractor to candidate who participated in awarding of contract. The district may rescind any contract and recover all amounts expended as a result of any action taken in violation of this provision. If contractor participates, directly or indirectly, in the evaluation or award of public contracts, including without limitation, change orders or task orders regarding a public contract, contractor shall, if required by law to file such a statement, provide the statement required by Section 8-13-1150 to the procurement officer at the same time the law requires the statement to be filed.

<u>Omit Taxes from Price</u>: Do not include any sales or use taxes in your price that the District may be required to pay.

<u>Open Trade Representation</u>: By submitting an Offer, Offeror represents that Offeror is not currently engaged in the boycott of a person or an entity based in or doing business with a jurisdiction with whom South Carolina can enjoy open trade, as defined in SC Code Section 11-35-5300.

<u>Prohibited Communications and Donations:</u> Violation of these restrictions may result in disqualification of your offer, suspension or debarment, and may constitute a violation of law.

- (a) During the period between publication of the solicitation and final award, you must not communicate, directly or indirectly, with the District or its employees, agents, or officials regarding any aspect of this procurement activity, unless otherwise approved in writing by the Procurement Officer. All communications must be solely with the Procurement Officer.
- (b) You are advised to familiarize yourself with Regulation 19-445.2165, which restricts donations to a governmental entity with whom you have or seek to have a contract. You represent that your offer discloses any gifts made, directly or through an intermediary, by you or your named subcontractors to or for the benefit of the District during the period beginning eighteen months prior to the Opening Date.

Protests: Any prospective bidder, offeror, contractor, or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with the solicitation of a contract shall protest within fifteen days of the date of issuance of the applicable solicitation document at issue. Any actual bidder, offeror, contractor, or subcontractor who is aggrieved in connection with the intended award or award of a

contract shall protest within ten days of the date notification of an intent to award or award is posted in accordance with this code. A protest shall be in writing, shall set forth the grounds of the protest and the relief requested with enough particularity to give notice of the issues to be decided, and must be received by the Chief Procurement Officer within the time provided. (Article 17-4210 of the Lancaster County School District's procurement code.) See clause entitled "Protest –Procurement Department Address".

Public Opening: Offers will be publicly opened at the date/time and at the location identified on the cover page, or last amendment, whichever is applicable.

Purchasing Liability: The procurement department is acting under the authority given to it in the District's consolidated Procurement Code to procure contracts on behalf of the District and acts only as their agent in this respect. The resulting contract is between the District and the successful bidder and the procurement department bears no liability for any damages that any party may incur in the execution of enforcement of the contract.

Questions from Offerors: (a) Any prospective offeror desiring an explanation or interpretation of the solicitation, drawings, specifications, etc., must request it in writing. Questions regarding the original solicitation, or any amendment, must be received by the Procurement Officer no later than eight (8) days prior to opening unless an earlier date is stated on the cover page. Label any communication regarding your questions with the name of the procurement officer, and the solicitation's title and number. Oral explanations or instructions will not be binding. Any information given a prospective offeror concerning a solicitation will be furnished promptly to all other prospective offerors as an amendment to the solicitation, if that information is necessary for submitting offers or if the lack of it would be prejudicial to other prospective offerors. We will not identify you in our answer to your question(s). (b) The district seeks to permit maximum practicable competition. Offerors are urged to advise the Procurement Officer – as soon as possible – regarding any aspect of this procurement, including any aspect of the solicitation that unnecessarily or inappropriately limits full and open competition.

<u>Rejection/Cancellation</u>: The district may cancel this solicitation in whole or in part. The district may reject any or all bids in whole or in part (Article 5-1710 of the Lancaster County School District's procurement code).

Responsiveness/Improper Offers:

(a) Bid as Specified. Offers for supplies or services other than those specified will not be considered unless authorized by the solicitation.

(b) Multiple Offers. Offerors may submit more than one offer, provided that each offer has significant differences other than price. Each separate offer must satisfy all solicitation requirements. If this solicitation is an Invitation for Bids, each separate offer must be submitted as a separate document. If this solicitation is a Request for Proposals, multiple offers may be submitted as one document, provided that you clearly differentiate between each offer and you submit a separate cost proposal for each offer, if applicable.

(c) Responsiveness. Any offer which fails to conform to the material requirements of the solicitation may be rejected as nonresponsive. Offers which impose conditions that modify material requirements of the solicitation may be rejected. If a fixed price is required, an offer will be rejected if the total possible cost to the district cannot be determined. Offerors will not be given an opportunity to correct any material nonconformity. Any deficiency resulting from a minor informality may be cured or waived at the sole discretion of the Procurement Officer.

(d) Price Reasonableness: Any offer may be rejected if the Procurement Officer determines in writing that it is unreasonable as to price.

(e) Unbalanced Bidding. The district may reject an offer as nonresponsive if the prices bid are materially unbalanced between line items or sub-line items. A bid is materially unbalanced when it is based on prices significantly less than cost for some work and prices which are significantly overstated in relation to cost for other work, and if there is a reasonable doubt that the bid will result in the lowest overall cost to the district even though it may be the low evaluated bid, or if it is so unbalanced as to be tantamount to allowing an advance payment.

(f) Do not submit bid samples or descriptive literature unless expressly requested. Unsolicited bid samples or descriptive literature will not be examined or tested, will not be used to determine responsiveness, and will not be deemed to vary any of the provisions of the solicitation. S.C. Code Ann. Reg. 19-445.2077(D).

Signing Your Offer: Every offer must be signed by an individual with actual authority to bind the offeror. (a) If the offeror is an individual, the offer must be signed by that individual. If the offeror is an individual doing business as a firm, the offer must be submitted in the firm's name, signed by the individual, and state that the individual is doing business as a firm. (b) If the offeror is a partnership, the offer must be submitted in the partnership's name, followed by the words "by its Partner," and signed by a general partner. (c) If the offeror is a corporation, the offer must be submitted in the corporate name, followed by the signature and title of the person authorized to sign. (d) An offer may be submitted by a joint venturer involving any combination of individuals, partnerships, or corporations. If the offeror is a joint venture, the offer must be submitted in the name of the joint venture and signed by every participant in the joint venture in the manner prescribed in paragraphs (a) through (c) above for each type of participant. (e) If an offer is signed by an agent, other than as stated in subparagraphs (a) through (d) above, the offer must state that it has been signed by an agent. Upon request, offeror must provide proof of the agent's authorization to bind the principal.

Submitting Confidential Information: For every document offeror submits in response to or with regard to this solicitation or request, offeror must separately mark with the word "CONFIDENTIAL" every page, or portion thereof, that offeror contends contains information that is exempt from public disclosure because it is either (a) A trade secret as defined in Section 30-4-40(a)(1), or (b) Privileged and confidential, as that phrase is used in Section 11-35-410. For every document offeror submits in response to or with regard to this solicitation or request, offeror must separately mark with the words "TRADE SECRET" every page, or portion thereof, that offeror contends contains a trade secret as that term is defined by Section 39-8-20 of the Trade Secrets Act. For every document offeror submits in response to or with regard to this solicitation or request, offeror must separately mark with the word "PROTECTED" every page, or portion thereof, that offeror contends is protected by Section 11-35-1810. All markings must be conspicuous; use color, bold, underlining, or some other method in order to conspicuously distinguish the mark from the other text. Do not mark your entire response (bid, proposal, quote, etc.) as confidential, trade secret, or protected! If your response, or any part thereof, is improperly marked as confidential or trade secret or protected, the district may, in its sole discretion, determine it nonresponsive. If only portions of a page are subject to some protection, do not mark the entire page. By submitting a response to this solicitation or request, offeror (1) Agrees to the public disclosure of every page of every document regarding this solicitation or request that was submitted at any time prior to entering into a contract (including, but not limited to, documents contained in a response, documents submitted to clarify a response, and documents submitted during negotiations), unless the page is conspicuously marked "TRADE SECRET" or "CONFIDENTIAL" or "PROTECTED", (2) Agrees that any information not marked, as required by these bidding instructions, as a "Trade Secret" is not a trade secret as defined by the Trade Secrets Act, and (3) Agrees that, notwithstanding any claims or markings otherwise, any prices, commissions, discounts, or other financial figures used to determine the award, as well as the final contract amount, are subject to public disclosure. In determining whether to release documents, the district will detrimentally rely on offeror's marking of documents, as required by these bidding instructions, as being either "Confidential" or "Trade Secret" or "PROTECTED". By submitting a response, offeror agrees to defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Lancaster County School District, its officers and employees, from every claim, demand, loss, expense, cost, damage or injury, including attorney's fees, arising out of or resulting from withholding information by the District, that offeror marked as "Confidential" or "Trade Secret" or "PROTECTED". (All references to S.C. Code of Laws.)

<u>Submitting Your Offer or Modification:</u> (a)(1) All copies of the offer or modification, and any other documents required to be submitted with the offer shall be enclosed in a sealed, opaque envelope or package. (2) Submit your offer or modification to the address on the Cover Page. (3) The envelope or package must show the time and date specified for opening, the solicitation number, and the name and address of the bidder. If the offer or modification is sent by mail or special delivery service (UPS, Federal Express, etc.), the outermost envelope or wrapper must be labeled "OFFER ENCLOSED" on the face thereof. (b) If you are responding to more than one solicitation, submit each offer in a separate envelope or package. (c) Submit the number of copies indicated on the Cover Page. (d) Facsimile or e-mail offers, modifications, or withdrawals, will not be considered unless authorized by the Solicitation

Tax Credit For Subcontracting with Disadvantaged Small Businesses: Pursuant to Section 12-6-3350, a taxpayer having a contract with this District who subcontracts with a socially and economically disadvantaged small business is eligible for an income tax credit equal to four percent of the payments to that subcontractor for work pursuant to the contract. The subcontractor must be certified as a socially and economically disadvantaged small business as defined in Section 11-35-5010 and regulations pursuant to it. The credit is limited to a maximum of fifty thousand dollars annually. A taxpayer is eligible to claim the credit for ten consecutive taxable years beginning with the taxable year in which the first payment is made to the subcontractor that qualifies for the credit. After the above ten consecutive taxable years, the taxpayer is no longer eligible for the credit. A taxpayer claiming the credit shall maintain evidence of work performed for the contract by the subcontractor. The credit may be claimed on Form TC-2, "Minority Business (OSMBA) is to be attached to the contractor's income tax return. Questions regarding the tax credit and how to file are to be referred to: SC Department of Revenue, Phone: (803) 898-5786, Fax: (803) 898-5888. Questions regarding subcontractor certification are to be referred to: Governor's Office of Small and Minority Business Assistance, Phone: (803) 734-0657, Fax: (803)734-2498.

<u>Withdrawal or Correction of Offer</u>: Offers may be withdrawn by written notice received at any time before the exact time set for opening. If the solicitation authorizes facsimile offers, offers may be withdrawn via facsimile received at any time before the exact time set for opening. A bid may be withdrawn in person by a bidder or its authorized representative if, before the exact time set for opening, the identity of the person requesting withdrawal is established and the person signs a receipt for the bid. The withdrawal and correction of offers is governed by Article 5-1520 of the Lancaster County School District's Procurement Code.

II. INSTRUCTIONS TO OFFERORS – B. SPECIAL INSTRUCTIONS

<u>Clarification</u>: Pursuant to Article 5-1520.8, the Procurement Officer may elect to communicate with you after opening for the purpose of clarifying either your offer or the requirements of the solicitation. Such communications may be conducted only with offerors who have submitted an offer which obviously conforms in all material aspects to the solicitation. Clarification of an offer must be documented in writing and included with the offer. Clarifications may not be used to revise an offer or the solicitation.

Descriptive Literature - Labeling: Include offeror's name on the cover of any specifications or descriptive literature submitted with your offer.

<u>Protest – Procurement Department Address</u>: Any protest must be addressed to the Chief Procurement Officer, Lancaster County School District, and submitted in writing (a) by email to <u>Trevor.Hammond@lcsd.k12.sc.us</u>, (b) by facsimile at 803-283-0563, or (c) by post or delivery to 300 South Catawba Street, Lancaster, SC 29720.

<u>Unit Prices Required:</u> Unit price to be shown for each item.

III. SCOPE OF WORK/SPECIFICATIONS

Objective: The Lancaster County School District is soliciting competitive sealed bids for Linewize Web Filtering and Monitoring Solution to include: Linewize Monitor, NetRef, FamilyZone Local Gateway and Linewize School Manager subscriptions, with complete installation, training and three-year initial agreement, in accordance with the requirements and specifications of this solicitation. No other brand or type of hardware or software will be accepted. In the event that the product requested on any resulting contract ceases to be manufactured due to technological updates, engineering changes, etc., the District, at its discretion, may consider a substitution of the product which replaces the product no longer being manufactured for the contracted product at the contract price, terms, and conditions, provided that the replacement product meets or exceeds the specifications of product which is no longer available.

Minimum Specifications:

- 1. Linewize Web Filtering and Monitoring Solution, as described below, with complete installation, training and three-year initial subscription. No other brand or type of hardware or software subscriptions will be accepted.
 - Linewize Monitor student protection software (Manufacturer's Item # LW-T4-MTR-3Y)
 - NetRef classroom management and learning analytics software (Manufacturer's Item # LW-T4-NR-3Y),
 - FamilyZone Local Gateway (Manufacturer's Item # LW-T4-LGW-3Y), and
 - Linewize School Manager cloud-managed filter and reporter with built-in cyber-safety controls- for unlimited devices (Manufacturer's Item # LW-T4-SMGR-3Y)
- 2. Quantity: The provided solution must be designed to operate and support a student enrollment of 15,000, along with teachers and staff. Quantity is subject to change based on fluctuation of student enrollment. Linewize School Manager shall be provided for unlimited devices.
- 3. Devices: Students are 1-to-1 with chromebooks. Teachers and staff have Windows devices. Macbooks, iPads and iPhones are also used across the district.
- 4. Installation: Vendor shall be responsible for migrating all necessary rules and/or settings from current systems and configuring new systems using industry best practices. Vendor shall install all new system hardware and assist with any necessary software deployments, including extensions. Vendor shall verify system operation following installation.
- 5. Training: Vendor shall provide training for district I.T. staff and end users upon completion of installation.
- 6. Warranty Manufacturer's standard warranty shall be required in writing with bid and with delivery of products.

Delivery / Performance Location – Purchase Order: After award, all deliveries shall be made and all services provided to the location specified by the District in its purchase order(s).

Quality – New: All items and materials must be new. Refurbished or remanufactured items will NOT be accepted.

<u>Technical Support</u>: Upon request, contractor shall provide technical assistance or service. Such service shall be available within twenty-four hours following request.

<u>Warranty/Guarantee</u>: The successful bidder shall supply a guarantee for all workmanship for the services and/or goods provided for a period comparable to the standards in the industry. When defects or faulty material or equipment is discovered during the guarantee period, the Contractor shall, immediately upon notification by the District, proceed at his own expense to repair or replace the same, together with any damage to all finishes, equipment and furnishings that may have been damaged as a result of the defective product and/or service.

IV. INFORMATION FOR OFFERORS TO SUBMIT

Information for Offerors to Submit – General: Offeror shall submit a signed Cover Page, along with Page Two. Offeror should submit all other information and documents requested in this part and in parts II.B. Special Instructions; III. Scope of Work/Specifications; V. Qualifications; VIII. Bid Schedule; any appropriate attachments addressed in section IX. Attachments to Solicitations; and X. Minority and WBE Form.

<u>Offshore Contracting</u>: Work that will be performed offshore by the Offeror and/or its subcontractors must be identified in the Offeror's response. For the purpose of this solicitation, offshore is defined as outside the 50 States and US territories. Offeror is to include an explanation for the following:

(a) What type of work is being contracted offshore?_

(b) What percentage (%) of the total work is being contracted offshore?

(c) What percentage (%) of the total value of the contract is being contracted offshore?

(d) Provide a Service Level Agreement (SLA) demonstrating the arrangement between the off- shore contactor and the Offeror. Attach Service Level Agreement to this document or paste here. Data provided by the Offeror in regards to this clause is for information only and will not be used in the evaluation and determination of an award.

Service Provider Security Assessment Questionnaire – Required:

[ASK QUESTIONS NOW: If you have a properly qualified third-party report or certification you believe we should accept in lieu of those identified in item (b), submit a question identifying same pursuant to the clause titled Questions from Offerors.]

The Contractor must demonstrate that programs, policies and procedures are in place to adequately provide for the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the information systems used by contractor to process, store, transmit, and access all district information. In order for the District to accurately evaluate the strength and viability of the Contractor's security policies, procedures and practices related to confidentiality, integrity and availability, Offerors must submit with their offers a thorough and complete written response to the Service Provider Security Assessment Questionnaire ("Response to SPSAQ") attached to this Solicitation, which must address all applicable organizations and applicable information systems. The terms used in this clause shall have the same meaning as the terms defined in the clause titled Information Security – Definitions.

V. QUALIFICATIONS FOR DETERMINATION OF RESPONSIBILITY

Qualifications of Offeror: (1) To be eligible for award, you must have the capability in all respects to perform fully the contract requirements and the integrity and reliability which will assure good faith performance. We may also consider a documented commitment from a satisfactory source that will provide you with a capability. We may consider information from any source at any time prior to award. We may elect to consider (i) key personnel, any predecessor business, and any key personnel of any predecessor business, including any facts arising prior to the date a business was established, and/or (ii) any subcontractor you identify. (2) You must promptly furnish satisfactory evidence of responsibility upon request. Unreasonable failure to supply requested information is grounds for rejection. (3) Corporate subsidiaries are cautioned that the financial capability of an affiliated or parent company will not be considered in determining financial capability; however, we may elect to consider any security, e.g. letter of credit, performance bond, parent-company corporate guaranty, that you offer to provide. Instructions and forms to help assure acceptability are posted on procurement.sc.gov, link to "Standard Clauses & Provisions".

<u>Subcontractor – Identification</u>: If you intend to subcontract, at any tier level, with another business for any portion of the work and that portion either (1) exceeds 10% of your cost, (2) involves access to any "district information," as defined in the clause entitled "Information Security - Definitions," if included, or (3) otherwise involves services critical to your performance of the work (err on the side of inclusion), your offer must identify that business and the work which they are to perform. Identify potential subcontractors by providing the business name, address, phone, taxpayer identification number, and point of contact. In determining your responsibility, the district may contact and evaluate your proposed subcontractors.

VI. AWARD CRITERIA

<u>Award Criteria – Bids:</u> Award will be made to the lowest responsible and responsive bidder(s).

Award to One Offeror: Award will be made to one offeror.

<u>Unit Price Governs:</u> In determining award, unit prices will govern over extended prices unless otherwise stated.

VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS - A. GENERAL

Assignment, Novation, and Change of Name, Identity, or Structure: (a) Contractor shall not assign this contract, or its rights, obligations, or any other interest arising from this contract, or delegate any of its performance obligations, without the express written consent of the responsible procurement officer. The foregoing restriction does not apply to a transfer that occurs by operation of law (e.g., bankruptcy; corporate reorganizations and consolidations, but not including partial asset sales). Notwithstanding the foregoing, contractor may assign monies receivable under the contract provided that the District shall have no obligation to make payment to an assignee until thirty (30) days after contractor (not the assignee) has provided the responsible procurement officer with (i) proof of the assignment, (ii) the identity (by contract number) of the specific District contract to which the assignment applies, and (iii) the name of the assignee and the exact address or account information to which assigned payments should be made. (b) If contractor amends, modifies, or otherwise changes its name, its identity (including its trade name), or its corporate, partnership, or other structure, or its FEIN, contractor shall provide the procurement officer prompt written notice of such change. (c) Any name change, transfer, assignment, or novation is subject to the conditions and approval required by Regulation 19-44.2180, which does not restrict transfers by operation of law.

Bankruptcy - General: (a) Notice. In the event the contractor enters into proceedings relating to bankruptcy, whether voluntary or involuntary, the contractor agrees to furnish written notification of the bankruptcy to the district. This notification shall be furnished within two (2) days of the initiation of the proceedings relating to the bankruptcy filing. This notification shall include the date on which the bankruptcy petition was filed, the identity of the court in which the bankruptcy petition was filed, and a listing of all district contracts against which final payment has not been made. This obligation remains in effect until final payment under this contract. (b) Termination. This contract is voidable and subject to immediate termination by the district upon the contractor's insolvency, including the filing of proceedings in bankruptcy.

Choice-of-Law: The agreement, any dispute, claim, or controversy relating to the agreement, and all the rights and obligations of the parties shall, in all respects, be interpreted, construed, enforced and governed by and under the laws of the State of South Carolina, except its choice of law rules. As used in this paragraph, the term "Agreement" means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation.

<u>Contract Documents & Order of Precedence:</u> (a) Any contract resulting from this solicitation shall consist of the following documents: (1) a Record of Negotiations, if any, executed by you and the

Procurement Officer, (2) the solicitation, as amended, (3) documentation of clarifications or discussions of an offer, if applicable (4) your offer (5) any statement reflecting the district's final acceptance (a/k/a "award"), and (6) purchase orders. These documents shall be read to be consistent and complimentary. Any conflict among these documents shall be resolved by giving priority to these documents in the order listed above. (b) The terms and conditions of documents (1) through (5) above shall apply notwithstanding any additional or different terms and conditions in any other document, including without limitation. (i) a purchase order or other instrument submitted by the district (ii) any invoice or other document submitted by contractor or (iii) any privacy policy, terms of use, or end user agreement. Except as otherwise allowed herein, the terms and conditions of all such documents shall be void and of no effect. (c) No contract, license, or other agreement containing contractual terms and conditions will be signed by the district. Any document(s) signed or otherwise agreed to by persons other than the Procurement Officer shall be void and of no effect.

Discount for Prompt Payment: (a) Discounts for prompt payment will not be considered in the evaluation of offers. However, any offered discount will form a part of the award, and will be taken if payment is made within the discount period indicated in the offer by the offeror. As an alternative to offering a discount for prompt payment in conjunction with the offer, offerors awarded contracts may include discounts for prompt payment on individual invoices. (b) In connection with any discount offered for prompt payment, time shall be computed from the date of the invoice. If the contractor has not placed a date on the invoice, the due date shall be calculated from the date the designated billing office receives a proper invoice, provided the district annotates such invoice with the date of receipt at the time of receipt. For the purpose of computing the discount earned, payment shall be considered to have been made on the date that appears on the

payment check or, for an electronic funds transfer, the specified payment date. When the discount date falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday when federal government offices are closed and government business is not expected to be conducted, payment may be made on the following business day.

Disputes: (a) Choice-of-Forum. All disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the agreement shall be resolved exclusively by the Chief Procurement Officer in accordance with the district's procurement code, or in the absence of jurisdiction, only in the Court of Common Pleas for, or a federal court located in the State of South Carolina. Contractor agrees that any act by the Government regarding the agreement is not a waiver of either the Government's sovereign immunity or the Government's immunity under the Eleventh Amendment of the United States Constitution. As used in this paragraph, the term "Agreement" means any transaction or agreement arising out of, relating to, or contemplated by the solicitation. (b) Service of Process. Contractor consents that any papers, notices, or process necessary or proper for the initiation or continuation of any disputes, claims, or controversies relating to the agreement; for any court action in connection therewith; or for the entry of judgment on any award made, may be served on contractor by certified mail (return receipt requested) addressed to contractor at the address provided as the notice address on page two or by personal service or by any other manner that is permitted by law, in or outside South Carolina. Notice by certified mail is deemed duly given upon deposit in the United States mail.

Equal Opportunity: Contractor is referred to and shall comply with all applicable provisions, if any, of Title 41, Part 60 of the Code of Federal Regulations, including but not limited to Sections 60-1.4, 60-4.2, 60-4.3, 60-250.5(a), and 60-741.5(a), which are hereby incorporated by reference.

False Claims: According to the S.C. Code of Laws § 16-13-240, "a person who by false pretense or representation obtains the signature of a person to a written instrument or obtains from another person any chattel, money, valuable security, or other property, real or personal, with intent to cheat and defraud a person of that property is guilty" of a crime.

Fixed Pricing Required: Any pricing provided by contractor shall include all costs for performing the work associated with that price. Except as otherwise provided in this solicitation, contractor's price shall be fixed for the duration of this contract, including option terms. This clause does not prohibit contractor from offering lower pricing after award.

Price(s) shall include overhead, profit, insurance, rental equipment, power tools, travel, fuel, fuel surcharges, delivery, set-up charges, taxes, etc. The district shall not honor any hidden charges.

No Indemnity or Defense: Any term or condition is void to the extent it requires the district to indemnify, defend, or pay attorney's fees to anyone for any reason.

Notice: (a) After award, any notices shall be in writing and shall be deemed duly given (1) upon actual delivery, if delivery is by hand, (2) upon receipt by the transmitting party of automated confirmation or answer back from the recipient's device if delivery is by telex, telegram, facsimile, or electronic mail, or (3) upon deposit into the United States mail, if postage is prepaid, a return receipt is requested, and either registered or certified mail is used. (b) Notice to contractor shall be to the address identified as the notice address on page two. Notice to the district shall be to the Procurement Office address on the cover page. Either party may designate a different address for notice by giving notice in accordance with this paragraph.

Open Trade: During the contract term, including any renewals or extensions, Contractor will not engage in the boycott of a person or an entity based in or doing business with a jurisdiction with whom South Carolina can enjoy open trade, as defined in SC Code Section 11-35-5300.

Payment & Interest: (a) The District shall pay the contractor, after the submission of proper invoices or vouchers, the prices stipulated in this contract for supplies delivered and accepted or services rendered and accepted, less any deductions provided in this contract. Unless otherwise specified herein, including the purchase order, payment shall not be made on partial deliveries accepted by the district. (b) Unless otherwise provided herein, including the purchase order, payment shall not payment will be made by check mailed to the payment address on "Page Two". (c) Notwithstanding any other provision,

payment shall be made in accordance with Article 1-45 of the Lancaster County School District's procurement code, or Chapter 6 of Title 29 (real property improvements) when applicable, which provides the contractor's exclusive means of recovering any type of interest from the owner. Contractor waives imposition of an interest penalty unless the invoice submitted specifies that the late penalty is applicable. Except as set forth in this paragraph, the district shall not be liable for the payment of interest on any debt or claim arising out of or related to this contract for any reason. (d) Amounts due to the district shall bear interest at the rate of interest established by the South Carolina Comptroller General pursuant to Article 1-45 of the Lancaster County School District's procurement code ("an amount not to exceed fifteen percent each year"), as amended, unless otherwise required by Section 29-6-30. (e) Any other basis for interest, including but not limited to general (pre- and post-judgment) or specific interest statutes, including S.C. Code Ann. § 34-31-20, are expressly waived by both parties. If a court, despite this agreement and waiver, requires that interest be paid on any debt by either party other than as provided by items (c) and (d) above, the parties further agree that the applicable interest rate for any given calendar year shall be the lowest prime rate as listed in the first edition of the Wall Street Journal published for each year, applied as simple interest without compounding. (f) The District shall have all of its common law equitable and statutory rights of set-off.

- All invoices for payment of purchases of goods or services shall be delivered to the Lancaster County School District.
- All payment for purchases of goods and services shall be paid by the district within thirty (30) days after the acceptance of the goods or services and proper invoice, whichever is received later.

<u>Publicity:</u> Contractor shall not publish any comments or quotes by district employees, or include the district in either news releases or a published list of customers, without the prior written approval of the Procurement Officer.

Purchase Orders: Contractor shall not perform any work prior to the receipt of a purchase order from the district. The district shall order any supplies or services to be furnished under this contract by issuing a purchase order. Purchase orders may be used to elect any options available under this contract, e.g., quantity, item, delivery date, payment method, but are subject to all terms and conditions of this contract. Purchase orders may be electronic. No particular form is required. An order placed pursuant to the purchasing card provision qualifies as a purchase order.

Purchase order number must be clearly stated on each carton or package, shipping ticket, invoice and any/all other information related to the order.

<u>Survival of Obligations</u>: The parties' rights and obligations which, by their nature, would continue beyond the termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration of this contract shall survive such termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration, including, but not limited to, the rights and obligations created by the following clauses: Indemnification - Third Party Claims, Intellectual Property Indemnification, and any provisions regarding warranty or audit.

Taxes: Any tax the contractor may be required to collect or pay upon the sale, use or delivery of the products shall be paid by the District, and such sums shall be due and payable to the contractor upon acceptance. Any personal property taxes levied after delivery shall be paid by the District. It shall be solely the District's obligation, after payment to contractor, to challenge the applicability of any tax by negotiation with, or action against, the taxing authority. Contractor agrees to refund any tax collected, which is subsequently determined not to be proper and for which a refund has been paid to contractor by the taxing authority. In the event that the contractor fails to pay, or delays in paying, to any taxing authorities, sums paid by the District to contractor, contractor shall be liable to the District for any loss (such as the assessment of additional interest) caused by virtue of this failure or delay. Taxes based on Contractor's net income or assets shall be the sole responsibility of the contractor.

Termination Due to Unavailability of Funds: Payment and performance obligations for succeeding fiscal periods shall be subject to the availability and appropriation of funds therefor. When funds are not appropriated or otherwise made available to support continuation of performance in a subsequent fiscal period, the contract shall be cancelled. In the event of a cancellation pursuant to this paragraph, contractor will be reimbursed the resulting unamortized, reasonably incurred, nonrecurring costs. Contractor will not be reimbursed any costs amortized beyond the initial contract term.

<u>Third Party Beneficiary</u>: This contract is made solely and specifically among and for the benefit of the parties hereto, and their respective successors and assigns, and no other person will have any rights, interest, or claims hereunder or be entitled to any benefits under or on account of this contract as a third party beneficiary or otherwise.

Waiver: The district does not waive any prior or subsequent breach of the terms of the contract by making payments on the contract, by failing to terminate the contract for lack of performance, or by failing to strictly or promptly insist upon any term of the contract. Only the Chief Procurement Officer has actual authority to waive any of the district's rights under this contract. Any waiver must be in writing.

VII. TERMS AND CONDITIONS - B. SPECIAL

Bankruptcy – District Information:

(a) All district information (as defined in the clause herein entitled "Information Security - Definitions") shall belong exclusively to the District, and Contractor has no legal or equitable interest in, or claim to, such information. Contractor acknowledges and agrees that in the event Contractor enters into proceedings relating to bankruptcy, whether voluntary or involuntary, district information in its possession and/or under its control will not be considered property of its bankruptcy estate. (b) Contractor agrees to notify the District within forty- eight (48) hours of any determination that it makes to file for bankruptcy protection, and Contractor further agrees to turn over to the District, before such filing, all district information that is in Contractor's possession in a format that can be readily utilized by the District.
(c) In order to protect the integrity and availability of district information, Contractor shall take reasonable measures to evaluate and monitor the financial circumstances of any subcontractor that will process, store, transmit or access district information.

Changes:

(1) Contract Modification. By a written order, at any time, and without notice to any surety, the Procurement Officer may, subject to all appropriate adjustments, make changes within the general scope of this contract in any one or more of the following:

(a) drawings, designs, or specifications, if the supplies to be furnished are to be specially manufactured for the district in accordance therewith;

(b) method of shipment or packing;

(c) place of delivery;

(d) description of services to be performed;

(e) time of performance (i.e., hours of the day, days of the week, etc.); or,

(f) place of performance of the services.

Subparagraphs (a) to (c) apply only if supplies are furnished under this contract. Subparagraphs (d) to (f) apply only if services are performed under this contract.

(2) Adjustments of Price or Time for Performance. If any such change increases or decreases the contractor's cost of, or the time required for, performance of any part of the work under this contract, whether or not changed by the order, an adjustment shall be made in the contract price, the delivery schedule, or both, and the contract modified in writing accordingly. Any adjustment in contract price made pursuant to this clause shall be determined in accordance with the Price Adjustment Clause of this contract. Failure of the parties to agree to an adjustment shall not excuse the contractor from proceeding with the contract as changed, provided that the district promptly and duly makes such provisional adjustments in payment or time for performance as may be reasonable. By proceeding with the work, the contractor shall not be deemed to have prejudiced any claim for additional compensation, or an extension of time for completion.

(3) Time Period for Claim. Within 30 days after receipt of a written contract modification under Paragraph (1) of this clause, unless such period is extended by the Procurement Officer in writing, the contractor shall file notice of intent to assert a claim for an adjustment. Later notification shall not bar the contractor's claim unless the district is prejudiced by the delay in notification.

(4) Claim Barred After Final Payment. No claim by the contractor for an adjustment hereunder shall be allowed if notice is not given prior to final payment under this contract.

<u>Compliance with Laws</u>: During the term of the contract, contractor shall comply with all applicable provisions of laws, codes, ordinances, rules, regulations, and tariffs.

<u>Contract Limitations</u>: No sales may be made pursuant to this contract for any item or service that is not expressly listed. No sales may be made pursuant to this contract after expiration of this contract. Violation of this provision may result in termination of this contract and may subject contractor to suspension or debarment.

Contractor's Liability Insurance – Information Security And Privacy:

[ASK QUESTIONS NOW: For products providing the coverages required by this clause, the insurance market is evolving. Our research indicates that the requirements stated herein reflect commercially-available insurance products. Any offeror having concerns with any specific requirements of this clause should communicate those concerns to the procurement officer well in advance of opening.]

(a) Without limiting any other obligations or liabilities of Contractor, Contractor shall procure from a company or companies lawfully authorized to do business in South Carolina and with a current A.M. Best rating of no less than A: VII, and maintain for the duration of the contract, a policy or policies of insurance against claims which may arise from or in connection with the performance of the work and the results of that work by the contractor, his agents,

representatives, employees, subcontractors or any other entity for which the contractor is legally responsible. (b) Coverage must include claims for:

(i) information security risks, including without limitation, failure to prevent unauthorized access to, tampering with or unauthorized use of a computer system; introduction of malicious codes, computer viruses, worms, logic bombs, etc., into data or systems; or theft, damage, unauthorized disclosure, destruction, or corruption of information in whatever form;

(ii) privacy risks, including (A) failure to properly handle, manage, store, dispose of, destroy, or otherwise control nonpublic personally identifiable information in any format; (B) loss of, unauthorized access to, or disclosure of confidential information; and (C) any form of invasion, infringement or interference with rights of privacy, including breach of security/privacy laws or regulations;

(iii) contractual liability for the contractor's obligations described in the clauses titled "Indemnification - Third Party Claims – Disclosure Of Information" and "Information Use And Disclosure;" and

(iv) errors, omissions, or negligent acts in the performance, by the contractor or by any entity for which the contractor is legally responsible, of professional services included in the work.

(c) If the work includes content for internet web sites or any publications or media advertisements,

coverage must also include claims for actual or alleged infringement of intellectual property rights, invasion of privacy, as well as advertising, media and content offenses.

(d) If the work includes software, coverage must also include claims for intellectual property infringement arising out of software and/or content (with the exception of patent infringement and misappropriation of trade secrets)

(e) Coverage shall have limits no less than five million (\$5,000,000.00) dollars per occurrence and ten million (\$10,000,000.00) dollars aggregate.

(f) If the insurance required by this clause is procured on a form affording "claims-made" coverage, then (i) all limits stated above as "per occurrence" shall be understood to mean "per claim" or "per occurrence," as is consistent with the terms of the "claims-made" policy; and (ii) such claims-made insurance shall provide for a retroactive date no later than the date the contract is awarded.

(g) All terms of this clause shall survive termination of the contract and shall continue until thirty (30) days past the final completion of the work, including the performance of any warranty work. In addition, contractor shall maintain in force and effect any "claims-made" coverage for a minimum of two (2) years after final completion of all work or services to be provided hereunder. Contractor shall purchase an extended reporting period, or "tail coverage," if necessary to comply with the latter requirement.

(h) The district, and the officers, officials, employees and volunteers of the district, must be covered as additional insureds on the policy or policies of insurance required by this clause.

(i) For any claims related to this contract, the insurance coverage required by this clause shall be primary insurance as respects the District, and the officers, officials, employees and volunteers of the district. Any insurance or self-insurance

maintained by the District, or the officers, officials, employees and volunteers of the district, shall be excess of the Contractor's insurance and shall not contribute with it.

(j) Prior to commencement of the work, the Contractor shall furnish the District with original certificates of insurance for every applicable policy effecting the coverage required by this clause. All certificates are to be received and approved by the Procurement Officer before work commences. However, failure to obtain the required documents prior to the work beginning shall not waive the Contractor's obligation to provide them. The District reserves the right to require complete, certified copies of all required insurance policies, including policy declarations and any endorsements required by this section, at any time.

(k) Should any of the above described policies be cancelled before the expiration date thereof, notice will be delivered in accordance with the policy provisions. In addition, the Contractor shall notify the District immediately upon receiving any information that any of the coverages required by this clause are or will be changed, cancelled, or replaced.
(I) Contractor hereby grants to the District a waiver of any right to subrogation which any insurer of said Contractor may acquire against the District by virtue of the payment of any loss under such insurance as is required by this clause. Contractor agrees to obtain any endorsement that may be necessary to effect this waiver of subrogation, but this provision applies regardless of whether or not the District has received a waiver of subrogation endorsement from the insurer.

(m) Any deductibles or self-insured retentions must be declared to and approved by the District. The District may require the Contractor to purchase coverage with a lower deductible or retention or provide proof of ability to pay losses and related investigations, claim administration, and defense expenses within the retention.

Contractor Personnel: The Contractor shall enforce strict discipline and good order among the Contractor's employees and other persons carrying out the Contract. The Contractor shall not permit employment of unfit persons or persons not skilled in tasks assigned to them.

<u>Contractor's Use of District Property:</u> Upon termination of the contract for any reason, the District shall have the right, upon demand, to obtain access to, and possession of, all District properties, including, but not limited to, current copies of all District application programs and necessary documentation, all data, files, intermediate materials and supplies held by the contractor. Contractor shall not use, reproduce, distribute, display, or sell any data, material, or documentation owned exclusively by the District without the District's written consent, except to the extent necessary to carry out the work.

Default:

(a)(1) The district may, subject to paragraphs (c) and (d) of this clause, by written notice of default to the contractor, terminate this contract in whole or in part if the contractor fails to-

(i) Deliver the supplies or to perform the services within the time specified in this contract or any extension;

(ii) Make progress, so as to endanger performance of this contract (but see paragraph (a)(2) of this clause); or

(iii) Perform any of the other material provisions of this contract (but see paragraph (a)(2) of this clause).

(2) The district's right to terminate this contract under subdivisions (a)(1)(ii) and (1)(iii) of this clause, may be exercised if the contractor does not cure such failure within 10 days (or more if authorized in writing by the Procurement Officer) after receipt of the notice from the Procurement Officer specifying the failure.

(b) If the district terminates this contract in whole or in part, it may acquire, under the terms and in the manner the Procurement Officer considers appropriate, supplies or services similar to those terminated, and the contractor will be liable to the district for any excess costs for those supplies or services. However, the contractor shall continue the work not terminated.

(c) Except for defaults of subcontractors at any tier, the contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs if the failure to perform the contract arises from causes beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the contractor. Examples of such causes include (1) acts of God or of the public enemy, (2) acts of the district in either its sovereign or contractual capacity, (3) fires, (4) floods, (5) epidemics, (6) quarantine restrictions, (7) strikes, (8) freight embargoes, and (9) unusually severe weather. In each instance the failure to perform must be beyond the control and without the fault or negligence of the contractor.

(d) If the failure to perform is caused by the default of a subcontractor at any tier, and if the cause of the default is beyond the control of both the contractor and subcontractor, and without the fault or negligence of either, the contractor shall not be liable for any excess costs for failure to perform, unless the subcontracted supplies or services were obtainable from other sources in sufficient time for the contractor to meet the required delivery schedule.

(e) If this contract is terminated for default, the district may require the contractor to transfer title and deliver to the district, as directed by the Procurement Officer, any (1) completed supplies, and (2) partially completed supplies and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (collectively referred to as "manufacturing materials" in this clause) that the contractor has specifically produced or acquired for the terminated portion of this contract. Upon direction of the Procurement Officer, the contractor shall also protect and preserve property in its possession in which the district has an interest.

(f) The district shall pay contract price for completed supplies delivered and accepted. The contractor and Procurement Officer shall agree on the amount of payment for manufacturing materials delivered and accepted and for the protection and preservation of the property; if the parties fail to agree, the Procurement Officer shall set an amount subject to the contractor's rights under the disputes clause. Failure to agree will be a dispute under the Disputes clause. The district may withhold from these amounts any sum the Procurement Officer determines to be necessary to protect the district against loss because of outstanding liens or claims of former lien holders.

(g) If, after termination, it is determined that the contractor was not in default, or that the default was excusable, the rights and obligations of the parties shall, if the contract contains a clause providing for termination for convenience of the district, be the same as if the termination had been issued for the convenience of the district. If, in the foregoing circumstances, this contract does not contain a clause providing for termination for convenience of the district, the contract shall be adjusted to compensate for such termination and the contract modified accordingly subject to the contractor's rights under the Disputes clause.

(h) The rights and remedies of the district in this clause are in addition to any other rights and remedies provided by law or under this contract.

Illegal Immigration: By signing your offer, you certify that you will comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14 of the South Carolina Code of Laws and agree to provide to the district upon request any documentation required to establish either: (a) that Title 8, Chapter 14 is inapplicable to you and your subcontractors or subsubcontractors; or (b) that you and your subcontractors or sub-subcontractors are in compliance with Title 8, Chapter 14. Pursuant to Section 8-14-60, "A person who knowingly makes or files any false, fictitious, or fraudulent document, statement, or report pursuant to this chapter is guilty of a felony, and, upon conviction, must be fined within the discretion of the court or imprisoned for not more than five years, or both." You agree to include in any contracts with your subcontractors language requiring your subcontractors to (a) comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractors language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14, and (b) include in their contracts with the sub-subcontractors language requiring the sub-subcontractors to comply with the applicable requirements of Title 8, Chapter 14.

Indemnification- Third Party Claims – General: Notwithstanding any limitation in this agreement, and to the fullest extent permitted by law, Contractor shall defend and hold harmless Indemnitees for and against any and all suits or claims of any character (and all related damages, settlement payments, attorneys' fees, costs, expenses, losses or liabilities) by a third party which are attributable to bodily injury, sickness, disease or death, or to injury to or destruction of tangible property arising out of or in connection with the goods or services acquired hereunder or caused in whole or in part by any act or omission of contractor, its subcontractors, their employees, workmen, servants, agents, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, regardless of whether or not caused in part by an Indemnitee, and whether or not such claims are made by a third party or an Indemnitee; however, if an Indemnitee shall not be entitled to indemnification hereunder. Contractor shall be given timely written notice of any suit or claim. Contractor's obligations hereunder are in no way limited by any protection afforded under workers' compensation acts, disability benefits acts, or other employee benefit acts. This clause shall not negate, abridge, or reduce any other rights or obligations of indemnity which would otherwise exist. The obligations of this paragraph shall survive termination, cancelation, or expiration of the parties' agreement. This provision shall be

construed fairly and reasonably, neither strongly for nor against either party, and without regard to any clause regarding insurance. As used in this clause, "Indemnitees" means the Lancaster County School District, its instrumentalities, agencies, departments, boards, political subdivisions and all their respective officers, agents and employees.

Indemnification - Third Party Claims – Disclosure Of Information:

(a) Without limitation, Contractor shall defend and hold harmless Indemnitees from and against any and all suits, claims, investigations, or fines (hereinafter "action") of any character (and all related damages, settlement payments, attorneys' fees, costs, expenses, losses or liabilities) by a third party which arise out of or in connection with a disclosure of district information (as defined in the clause titled Information Security - Definitions) caused in whole or in part by any act or omission of contractor, its subcontractors at any tier, their employees, workmen, servants, agents, or anyone directly or indirectly employed by them or anyone for whose acts any of them may be liable, regardless of whether or not caused in part by an Indemnitee, and whether or not such action is brought by a third party or an Indemnitee, but only if the act or omission constituted a failure to perform some obligation imposed by the contract or the law.

(b) Indemnitee must notify contractor in writing within a reasonable period of time after Indemnitee first receives written notice of any action. Indemnitee's failure to provide or delay in providing such notice will relieve contractor of its obligations under this clause only if and to the extent that such delay or failure materially prejudices contractors ability to defend such action. Indemnitee must reasonably cooperate with contractor's defense of such actions (such cooperation does not require and is without waiver of an Indemnitees attorney/client, work product, or other privilege) and, subject to Title 1, Chapter 7 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, allow contractor sole control of the defense, so long as the defense is diligently and capably prosecuted. Indemnitee may participate in contractor's defense of any action at its own expense. Contractor may not, without Indemnitee's prior written consent, settle, compromise, or consent to the entry of any judgment in any such commenced or threatened action unless such settlement, compromise or consent (i) includes an unconditional release of Indemnitee from all liability related to such commenced or threatened action, and (ii) is solely monetary in nature and does not include a statement as to, or an admission of fault, culpability or failure to act by or on behalf of, an Indemnitee or otherwise adversely affect an Indemnitee. Indemnitee's consent is necessary for any settlement that requires Indemnitee to part with any right or make any payment or subjects Indemnitee to any injunction. (c) Notwithstanding any other provision, contractor's obligations pursuant to this clause are without any limitation whatsoever. Contractor's obligations under this clause shall survive the termination, cancellation, rejection, or expiration of the contract. This provision shall be construed fairly and reasonably, neither strongly for nor against either party, and without regard to any clause regarding insurance.

(d) "Indemnitee" means the Lancaster County School District, its instrumentalities, agencies, departments, boards, political subdivisions and all their respective officers, agents and employees.

Information Security – Definitions:

The following definitions are used in those clauses that cross reference this clause.

Compromise means disclosure of information to unauthorized persons, or a violation of the security policy of a system in which unauthorized intentional or unintentional disclosure, modification, destruction, or loss of an object may have occurred. Without limitation, the term "compromise" includes copying the data through covert network channels, or copying the data to unauthorized media, or disclosure of information in violation of any obligation imposed by this contract.

Data means a subset of information in an electronic format that allows it to be retrieved or transmitted. **District information** means information (i) provided to Contractor by, or generated by Contractor for, the district, or (ii) acquired or accessed by Contractor as a result of performing the Work. Without limiting the foregoing, district information includes any information that Contractor acquires or accesses by software or web-based services, which includes, without limitation, any metadata or location data. District information excludes unrestricted information. **Information** means any communication or representation of knowledge such as facts, statistics, or opinions, in any medium or form, including textual, numerical, graphic, cartographic, narrative, or audiovisual.

Information system means a discrete set of information resources organized for the collection, processing, maintenance, use, sharing, dissemination, or disposition of information.

Public information means any specific information, regardless of form or format, that the District has actively and intentionally disclosed, disseminated, or made available to the public. Information is not public information solely because it may be subject to inspection pursuant to an unfulfilled public records request.

Software means any computer program accessed or used by the District or a third party pursuant to or as a result of this contract.

Third party means any person or entity other than the District, the Contractor, or any subcontractors at any tier. **Unrestricted information** means (1) public information acquired other than through performance of the work, (2) information acquired by Contractor prior to contract formation, (3) information incidental to your contract administration, such as financial, administrative, cost or pricing, or management information, and (4) any ideas, concepts, know-how, methodologies, processes, technologies, techniques which Contractor develops or learns in connection with Contractor's performance of the work.

Web-based service means a service accessed over the Internet and acquired, accessed, or used by the district or a third party pursuant to or as a result of this contract, including without limitation, cloud services, software-as-a-service, and hosted computer services.

Information Security – Location Of Data: Notwithstanding any other provisions, contractor is prohibited from processing, storing, transmitting, or accessing district information, as defined in the clause titled Information Security - Definitions, outside the continental United States. For clarity, this obligation is a material requirement of this contract and applies to subcontractors at any tier.

Information Security - Safeguarding Requirements:

(a) *Definitions.* The terms used in this clause shall have the same meaning as the terms defined in the clause titled Information Security – Definitions. In addition, as used in this clause—

Clearing means removal of data from an information system, its storage devices, and other peripheral devices with storage capacity, in such a way that the data may not be reconstructed using common system capabilities (i.e., through the keyboard); however, the data may be reconstructed using laboratory methods.

Intrusion means an unauthorized act of bypassing the security mechanisms of a system.

Media means physical devices or writing surfaces including but not limited to magnetic tapes, optical disks, magnetic disks, portable hard drives, "thumb" drives, large scale integration memory chips, and printouts (but not including display media, e.g., a computer monitor, cathode ray tube (CRT) or other (transient) visual output) onto which information is recorded, stored, or printed within an information system.

Safeguarding means measures or controls that are prescribed to protect information.

Voice means all oral information regardless of transmission protocol.

(b) Safeguarding Information. Without limiting any other legal or contractual obligations, contractor shall implement and maintain reasonable and appropriate administrative, physical, and technical safeguards (including without limitation written policies and procedures) for protection of the security, confidentiality and integrity of the district information in its possession. In addition, contractor stall apply security controls when the contractor reasonably determines that safeguarding requirements, in addition to those identified in paragraph (c) of this clause, may be required to provide adequate security, confidentiality and integrity in a dynamic environment based on an assessed risk or vulnerability.
 (c) Safeguarding requirements and procedures. Contractor shall apply the following basic safeguarding requirements to protect district information from unauthorized access and disclosure:

(1) Protecting information on public computers or Web sites: Do not process district information on public computers (e.g., those available for use by the general public in kiosks, hotel business centers) or computers that do not have access control. District information shall not be posted on Web sites that are publicly available or have access limited only by domain/Internet Protocol restriction. Such information may be posted to web pages that control access by user ID/password, user certificates, or other technical means, and that provide protection via use of security technologies. Access control may be provided by the intranet (versus the Web site itself or the application it hosts).

(2) *Transmitting electronic information*. Transmit email, text messages, blogs, and similar communications that contain district information using technology and processes that provide the best level of security and privacy available, given facilities, conditions, and environment.

(3) *Transmitting voice and fax information*. Transmit district information via voice and fax only when the sender has a reasonable assurance that access is limited to authorized recipients.

(4) *Physical and electronic barriers*. Protect district information by at least one physical and one electronic barrier (e.g., locked container or room, login and password) when not under direct individual control.

(5) Sanitization. At a minimum, clear information on media that have been used to process district information before external release or disposal. Overwriting is an acceptable means of clearing media in accordance with National Institute of Standards and Technology 800–88, Guidelines for Media Sanitization, at

http://csrc.nist.gov/publications/nistpubs/800-88/NISTSP800-88_with-errata.pdf .

(6) Intrusion protection. Provide at a minimum the following protections against intrusions and compromise:

(i) Current and regularly updated malware protection services, e.g., anti-virus, antispyware.

(ii) Prompt application of security-relevant software upgrades, e.g., patches, service packs, and hot fixes.

(7) *Transfer limitations*. Transfer district information only to those subcontractors that both require the information for purposes of contract performance and provide at least the same level of security as specified in this clause.

(d) *Subcontracts*. Any reference in this clause to Contractor also includes any subcontractor at any tier. Contractor is responsible for, and shall impose by agreement requirements at least as secure as those imposed by this clause on, any other person or entity that contractor authorizes to take action related to district information.

(e) Other contractual requirements regarding the safeguarding of information. This clause addresses basic requirements and is subordinate to any other contract clauses or requirements to the extent that it specifically provides for enhanced safeguarding of information or information systems.

Information Use And Disclosure:

Except to the extent necessary for performance of the work, citizens should not be required to share information with those engaged by the district in order to access services provided by the district and such information should be used by those engaged by the district only to the extent necessary to perform the work acquired; accordingly, this clause addresses basic requirements for the Contractor's use and disclosure of district information, which expressly includes, but is not limited to, information provided by or obtained from the citizens. Anonymizing information does not resolve the foregoing concern. This clause should be broadly interpreted to effectuate this intent. Every obligation in this clause is material. Absent express reference to this clause, this clause supersedes any other clause to the extent of any inconsistency unless and to the extent the other clause provides greater protection for district information. (a) *Definitions*. The terms used in this clause shall have the same meaning as the terms defined in the clause titled

Information Security - Definitions.

(b) Legal mandates. Contractor shall be permitted to use, disclose, or retain district information to the limited extent necessary to comply with any requirement imposed on Contractor by law. If it is necessary for Contractor to use, disclose, or retain district information in order to comply with a law, Contractor shall provide district with written notice, including a description of the circumstances and applicable law, in advance of such use, disclosure or retention except to the extent expressly prohibited by law.

(c) *Flow down*. Any reference in this clause to Contractor also includes any subcontractor at any tier. Contractor is responsible for, and shall impose by agreement the requirements of this clause on, any other person or entity that contractor authorizes to take action related to district information.

(d) *Collecting Information*. Contractor must gather and maintain district information only to the minimum extent necessary to accomplish the work.

(e) *Rights, Disclosure and Use*. Except as otherwise expressly provided in this solicitation, Contractor agrees NOT to either (1) use or disclose district information, or (2) retain district information after termination or expiration of this contract. Contractor acquires no rights in any district information except the limited rights to use, disclose and retain the district information in accordance with the terms of this solicitation. To the extent reasonably necessary to perform the work, Contractor may: (i) use (including access, process, transmit, and store) and maintain the district information itself; and (ii) disclose district information to persons having a need-to-know (e.g., subcontractors). Before disclosing district information to a subcontractor or third party, Contractor shall give the district detailed written notice of both the reason for disclosure and the identity and location of the recipient. The notice shall be provided no later than fifteen (15) business days in advance of the disclosure.

(f) *Return*. Notwithstanding the district's failure to perform or the pendency of a dispute, Contractor agrees to promptly deliver to the district (or destroy, at the district's option) all district information in its possession as and upon written request of the district (provided that, if the contract has not expired or been terminated, Contractor shall be excused from the performance of any work reasonably dependent on Contractor's further access to such district information). (g) *Privacy Policy & Applicable Laws*. Without limiting any other legal or contractual obligations imposed by this contract or the law, Contractor shall (a) comply with its own privacy policies and written privacy statements relevant to the work, and (b) comply with (1) all laws applicable to Contractor regarding district information, and (2) all laws and standards identified in the clause, if included, entitled Information Use and Disclosure – Standards.

(h) Actions Following Disclosure. Immediately upon discovery of a compromise or improper use of district information, Contractor shall take such action as may be necessary to preserve forensic evidence and eliminate the cause of the compromise or improper use. As soon as practicable, but no later than twenty-four hours after discovery, Contractor shall notify the district of the compromise or improper use, including a description of the circumstances of the use or compromise. As soon as practicable after discovery, Contractor shall undertake a thorough forensic investigation of any compromise or improper use and provide the district all information necessary to enable the district to fully understand the nature and extent of the compromise or improper use. With regard to any compromise or improper use of district information, Contractor shall: (1) provide any notification to third parties legally required to be provided such notice by Contractor, and if not (e.g., if legally required of the district), Contractor shall reimburse the district for the cost of providing such notifications; (2) pay all costs and expenses for at least two years of identity theft monitoring services (including without limitation, credit monitoring) and identity theft restoration services for any such affected individuals receiving notice where such services are appropriate given the circumstances of the incident and the nature of the information compromised; (3) undertake any other measures that are customary and reasonable for an entity to take when experiencing a similar disclosure. (4) pay any related fines or penalties imposed on the district, and (5) reimburse the district all costs reasonably incurred for communications and public relations services involved in responding to the compromise or improper us. Notwithstanding any other provision, contractor's obligations pursuant to this item (h) are without limitation.

(i) Survival & Remedy. All the obligations imposed by this paragraph are material. The obligations of this section shall survive termination or expiration of the contract. Without limiting any rights the district may have, and notwithstanding any other term of this contract, Contractor agrees that district may have no adequate remedy at law for a breach of Contractor's obligations under this clause and therefore the district shall be entitled to pursue equitable remedies in the event of a breach of this clause.

Information Use And Disclosure – Standards:

To the extent applicable:

(a) Breach of security of district data; notification; rights and remedies of injured parties; penalties; notification of Consumer Protection Division, S.C. Code Ann. Section 1-11-490.

(b) South Carolina Financial Identity Fraud and Identity Theft Protection Act (FIFITPA), 2008 Act 190, as amended. Solely for purposes of Section 39-1-90 of the South Carolina Code of Laws, as amended, Contractor is deemed to be the owner of district information, as defined herein, and Contractor agrees that the district is not a licensee.

(c) The South Carolina Family Privacy Protection Act of 2002, S.C. Code Ann. Sections 30-2-10, et seq.

(d) Personal Identifying Information Privacy Protection, S.C. Code Ann. Sections 30-2-310 et seq.

(e) Data Breach Notification, 2014 Act No. 286, Section 117.117, as revised in any future annual appropriations act.

<u>Material And Workmanship</u>: Unless otherwise specifically provided in this contract, all equipment, material, and articles incorporated in the work covered by this contract are to be new and of the most suitable grade for the purpose intended.

Price Adjustments: (1) Method of Adjustment. Any adjustment in the contract price made pursuant to a clause in this contract shall be consistent with this Contract and shall be arrived at through whichever one of the following ways is the most valid approximation of the actual cost to the Contractor (including profit, if otherwise allowed): (a) by agreement on a fixed price adjustment before commencement of the pertinent performance or as soon thereafter as practicable; (b) by unit prices specified in the Contract or subsequently agreed upon; (c) by the costs attributable to the event or situation covered by the relevant clause, including profit if otherwise allowed, all as specified in the Contract; or subsequently

agreed upon; (d) in such other manner as the parties may mutually agree; or, (e) in the absence of agreement by the parties, through a unilateral initial written determination by the Procurement Officer of the costs attributable to the event or situation covered by the clause, including profit if otherwise allowed, all as computed by the Procurement Officer in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles, subject to the provisions of Title 11, Chapter 35, Article 17 of the S.C. Code of Laws. (2) Submission of Price or Cost Data. Upon request of the Procurement Officer, the contractor shall provide reasonably available factual information to substantiate that the price or cost offered, for any price adjustments is reasonable, consistent with the provisions of Section 11-35-1830.

<u>Price Adjustment – Limited – After Initial Term Only:</u> Upon approval of the Procurement Officer, prices may be adjusted for any renewal term. Prices shall not be increased during the initial term. Any request for a price increase must be received by the Procurement Officer at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the applicable term and must be accompanied by sufficient documentation to justify the increase. If approved, a price increase becomes effective starting with the term beginning after approval. A price increase must be executed as a change order. Contractor may terminate this contract at the end of the then current term if a price increase request is denied. Notice of termination pursuant to this paragraph must be received by the Procurement Officer no later than fifteen (15) days after the Procurement Officer sends contractor notice rejecting the requested price increase.

Price Adjustments – Limited by CPI "All Items": Upon request and adequate justification, the Procurement Officer may grant a price increase up to, but not to exceed, the unadjusted percent change for the most recent 12 months for which data is available, that is not subject to revision, in the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for all urban consumers (CPI-U), "all items" for services, as determined by the Procurement Officer. The Bureau of Labor and Statistics publishes this information on the web at <u>www.bls.gov</u>.

Pricing Data – Audit – Inspection: [Clause Included Pursuant to Articles 5-1830, 2210, & 2220] (a) Cost or Pricing Data. Upon Procurement Officer's request, you shall submit cost or pricing data, as defined by 48 C.F.R. § 2.101 (2004), prior to either (1) any award to contractor pursuant to Article 5-1530 or Article 5-1560, if the total contract price exceeds \$500,000, or (2) execution of a change order or contract modification with contractor which exceeds \$100,000. Your price, including profit or fee, shall be adjusted to exclude any significant sums by which the district finds that such price was increased because you furnished cost or pricing data that was inaccurate, incomplete, or not current as of the date agreed upon between parties. (b) Records Retention. You shall maintain your records for three years from the date of final payment, or longer if requested by the Chief Procurement Officer. The district may audit your records at reasonable times and places. As used in this subparagraph (b), the term "records" means any books or records that relate to cost or pricing data submitted pursuant to this clause. In addition to the obligation stated in this subparagraph (b), you shall retain all records and allow any audits provided for by Article 5-2220 (2). (c) Inspection. At reasonable times, the district may inspect any part of your place of business which is related to performance of the work. (d) Instructions - Certification. When you submit data pursuant to subparagraph (a), you shall (1) do so in accordance with the instructions appearing in Table 15-2 of 48 C.F.R. § 15.408 (2004) (adapted as necessary for the district context), and (2) submit a Certificate of Current Cost or Pricing Data, as prescribed by 48 CFR § 15.406-2(a) (adapted as necessary for the district context). (e) Subcontracts. You shall include the above text of this clause in all of your subcontracts. (f) Nothing in this clause limits any other rights of the district.

<u>Relationship of the Parties</u>: Neither party is an employee, agent, partner, or joint venturer of the other. Neither party has the right or ability to bind the other to any agreement with a third party or to incur any obligation or liability on behalf of the other party.

Restrictions on Presenting Terms of Use or Offering Additional Services:

(a) Citizens, as well as public employees (acting in their individual capacity), should not be unnecessarily required to agree to or provide consent to policies or contractual terms in order to access services acquired by the district pursuant to this contract (hereinafter "applicable services") or, in the case of public employees, to perform their job duties; accordingly, in performing the work, contractor shall not require or invite any citizen or public employee to agree to or provide consent to any end user contract, privacy policy, or other terms of use (hereinafter "terms of use") not previously

approved in writing by the procurement officer. Contractor agrees that any terms of use regarding applicable services are void and of no effect.

(b) Unless expressly provided in the solicitation, public contracts are not intended to provide contractors an opportunity to market additional products and services; accordingly, in performing the work, contractor shall not-for itself or on behalf of any third party-offer citizens or public employees (other than the procurement officer) any additional products or services not required by the contract.

(c) Any reference to contractor in items (a) or (b) also includes any subcontractor at any tier. Contractor is responsible for compliance with these obligations by any person or entity that contractor authorizes to take any action related to the work.

(d) Any violation of this clause is a material breach of contract. The parties acknowledge the difficulties inherent in determining the damage from any breach of these restrictions. Contractor shall pay the district liquidated damages of \$1,000 for each contact with a citizen or end user that violates this restriction.

Service Provider Security Representation: The following obligations are subordinate to any other contract clause to the extent the other clause specifically provides for enhanced safeguarding of district information, applicable information systems, or applicable organizations. Offeror (i) warrants that the work will be performed, and any applicable information system (as defined in the clause titled "Information Security - Definitions") will be established and maintained in substantial conformity with the information provided in Offeror's Response to SPSAQ; (ii) agrees to provide the District with prompt notice of any material variation in operations from that reflected in the Response to SPSAQ; and (iii) agrees to comply with all other obligations involving either information security or information use and disclosure imposed by the contract, notwithstanding any inconsistent statement in Offeror's Response to SPSAQ. To the extent Offeror's Response to SPSAQ does not conform to any other contractual requirements, the District's lack of objection does not constitute a waiver.

Shipping/Risk of Loss: F.O.B. Destination, Freight Prepaid. Destination is the District's designated receiving site, or other location, as specified on the purchase order.

<u>Term of Contract – Effective Date/Initial Contract Period:</u> The effective date of this contract is the first day of the Maximum Contract Period as specified on the final statement of award. The initial term of this agreement is three years from the effective date. Regardless, this contract expires no later than the last date stated on the final statement of award.

<u>Term of Contract – Option to Renew</u>: (a) At the end of the initial term, and at the end of each renewal term, this contract shall automatically renew for a period of one year, unless contractor receives notice that the District elects not to renew the contract at least thirty (30) days prior to the date of renewal. Regardless, this contract expires no later than the last date stated on the final statement of award.

<u>Term of Contract – Termination by Contractor</u>: Contractor may terminate this contract at the end of the initial term, or any renewal term, by providing the Procurement Officer notice of its election to terminate under this clause at least ninety (90) days prior to the expiration of the then current term.

Termination for Convenience: (1) Termination. The Procurement Officer may terminate this contract in whole or in part, for the convenience of the District. The Procurement Officer shall give written notice of the termination to the contractor specifying the part of the contract terminated and when termination becomes effective. (2) Contractor's Obligations. The contractor shall incur no further obligations in connection with the terminated work and on the date set in the notice of termination the contractor will stop work to the extent specified. The contractor shall also terminate outstanding orders and subcontracts as they relate to the terminated work. The contractor shall settle the liabilities and claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts and orders connected with the terminated work. The Procurement Officer may direct the contractor to assign the contractor's right, title, and interest under terminated orders or subcontracts to the District. The contractor must still complete the work not terminated by the notice of termination and may incur obligations as are necessary to do so. (3) Right to Supplies. The Procurement Officer may require the contractor to transfer title and deliver to the District in the manner and to the extent directed by the Procurement Officer: (a) any completed supplies; and (b) such partially completed supplies and materials, parts, tools, dies, jigs, fixtures, plans, drawings, information, and contract rights (hereinafter called "manufacturing material") as the contractor has specifically produced or specially acquired for

the performance of the terminated part of this contract. The contractor shall, upon direction of the Procurement Officer, protect and preserve property in the possession of the contractor in which the District has an interest. If the Procurement Officer does not exercise this right, the contractor shall use best efforts to sell such supplies and manufacturing materials in a accordance with the standards of Uniform Commercial Code Section 2-706. Utilization of this Section in no way implies that the District has breached the contract by exercise of the Termination for Convenience Clause. (4) Compensation. (a) The contractor shall submit a termination claim specifying the amounts due because of the termination for convenience together with cost or pricing data required by Section 11-35-1830 bearing on such claim. If the contractor fails to file a termination claim within one year from the effective date of termination, the Procurement Officer may pay the contractor, if at all, an amount set in accordance with Subparagraph (c) of this Paragraph. (b) The Procurement Officer and the contractor may agree to a settlement and that the settlement does not exceed the total contract price plus settlement costs reduced by payments previously made by the District, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under Paragraph (3) of this clause, and the contract price of the work not terminated; (c) Absent complete agreement under Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, the Procurement Officer shall pay the contractor the following amounts, provided payments agreed to under Subparagraph (b) shall not duplicate payments under this Subparagraph: (i) contract prices for supplies or services accepted under the contract; (ii) costs reasonably incurred in performing the terminated portion of the work less amounts paid or to be paid for accepted supplies or services; (iii) reasonable costs of settling and paying claims arising out of the termination of subcontracts or orders pursuant to Paragraph (2) of this clause. These costs must not include costs paid in accordance with Subparagraph (c)(ii) of this paragraph; (iv) any other reasonable costs that have resulted from the termination. The total sum to be paid the contractor under this Subparagraph shall not exceed the total contract price plus the reasonable settlement costs of the contractor reduced by the amount of payments otherwise made, the proceeds of any sales of supplies and manufacturing materials under Subparagraph (b) of this Paragraph, and the contract price of work not terminated. (d) Contractor must demonstrate any costs claimed, agreed to, or established under Subparagraphs (b) and (c) of this Paragraph using its standard record keeping system, provided such system is consistent with any applicable Generally Accepted Accounting Principles. (5) Contractor's failure to include an appropriate termination for convenience clause in any subcontract shall not (i) affect the District's right to require the termination of a subcontract, or (ii) increase the obligation of the District beyond what it would have been if the subcontract had contained an appropriate clause.

<u>Warranty – Standard:</u> Contractor must provide the manufacturer's standard written warranty upon delivery of product. Contractor warrants that manufacturer will honor the standard written warranty provided.

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Description	Initial Quantity	Unit Price – Initial 3 Year subscription	Unit Price – Year 4 subscription (upon renewal)	Unit Price- Year 5 subscription (upon renewal)	Extended Price – Years 1-5
Linewize Monitor Software manufacturer's item # LW-T4_MTR-3Y	15,000	\$	\$	\$	\$
NetRef Software manufacturer's item # LW-T4-NR-3Y	15,000	\$	\$	\$	\$
FamilyZone Local Gateway manufacturer's item # LW-T4-LGW-3Y	15,000	\$	\$	\$	\$
Linewize School Manager manufacturer's item # LW-T4-SMGR-3Y	15,000	\$	\$	\$	\$
Installation & Training	1	\$			
Total Base Bid		\$			

Estimated Delivery Date (ARO):_____

Company Name: _____ Date: _____

OFFEROR'S CHECKLIST AVOID COMMON BID/PROPOSAL MISTAKES

Review this checklist prior to submitting your bid/proposal. If you fail to follow this checklist, you risk having your bid/proposal rejected.

- · Do not include any of your standard contract forms!
- Unless expressly required, do not include any additional boilerplate contract clauses.
- Reread your entire bid/proposal to make sure your bid/proposal does not take exception to any of the district's mandatory requirements.
- Make sure you have properly marked all protected, confidential, or trade secret information in accordance with the instructions entitled: "Submitting Confidential Information". Do not mark your entire bid/proposal as confidential, trade secret, or protected! Do not include a legend on the cover stating that your entire response is not to be released!
- Make sure you have properly acknowledged all amendments. Instructions regarding how to acknowledge amendments are outlined in section entitled: "Instructions to Offerors A. General Instructions (Amendments to Solicitation)".
- Make sure your bid/proposal is signed by a person that is authorized to contractually bind your business.
- Make sure your bid/proposal includes the number of copies requested.
- Make sure you properly mark the outside of your envelope with the bid number, due date, and time.
- Check to ensure your bid/proposal includes everything requested!
 - Cover Page completed and signed
 - □ Page Two completed
 - Bid Schedule completed (to include name of company in space provided)
 - □ Company Profile and Reference Form (if required)
 - □ Evidence of Liability Insurance
 - Bid Bond, Certified Check or Cashier's Check (if required)
 - Response to "Service Provider Security Assessment Questionnaire" Attachment XI
 - Appropriate Number of Copies Requested
- If you have concerns about this solicitation, do not raise those concerns in your response! After opening, it is too late! If this solicitation includes a prebid/proposal conference or a question & answer period, raise your questions as a part of that process! Please see instructions under the heading "Instructions to Offerors A. General Instructions Questions from Offerors" and any provisions regarding prebid/proposal conferences.

This checklist is included only as a reminder to help offerors avoid common mistakes. Responsiveness will be evaluated against the solicitation, *not* against this checklist. You do not need to return this checklist with your response.

X. MINORITY AND WOMAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE POLICY AND REQUIREMENTS:

a) Statement of Policy:

It is a practice of the Lancaster County School District that discrimination against businesses on the basis of race, color, national origin, and gender is prohibited. No person shall be denied the benefit of, or otherwise discriminated against, on the grounds of race, color, national origin or gender in connection with the award and/or performance of any contract or modification of a contract between a vendor or contractor and the District which contract is paid or is to be paid for, in whole or part, with monetary appropriations of the District. Further, it is the practice of the District to encourage and promote, on an inclusionary basis, contracting opportunities for all business, without regard to race, color, national origin or gender. It is expected that all firms seeking to do business with the Lancaster County School District will comply with this policy.

b) <u>Subcontractor Participation:</u>

The Lancaster County School District, through its contract documents, encourages contractors to utilize minority subcontractors on their projects.

A prime contractor must identify M/WBE utilization expenditures to certified M/WBE subcontractors that perform a commercially useful function in the work of the contract. An M/WBE subcontractor is considered to perform a commercially useful function when it is responsible for the execution of a distinct element of the work of a contract for which the MBE or WBE has the skill and expertise and carries out its responsibilities by actually performing, managing and supervising the work involved.

c) Business Utilization Report:

In order to facilitate an effective monitoring system, each contractor, bidder or offeror must submit a completed and signed Utilization Report with the bid submission which lists the names, addresses and contact persons of the M/WBE and majority owned businesses, if any, to be used in the contract, the type of work each business will perform, the dollar value of the work and the scope of work. The Utilization Report submitted by the contractor shall be submitted as a part of the contract with the Lancaster County School District. If the information contained in the Contractor's Utilization Report changes by the time the contract is executed, the Contractor shall amend the Utilization Report and such amended Utilization Report shall be incorporated into the contract.

Business Enterprise Utilization Report

List all vendors/subcontractors to be used on this project. All MBE's or WBE's proposed for utilization on this project must be certified by the Small and Minority Business Assistance Office through the State of South Carolina according to the criteria of the Lancaster County School District's Minority Business Enterprise Plan.

In column 6 below, please specify ethnic/racial/gender group as follows:

- AABE African-American Business Enterprise
- HBE Hispanic Business Enterprise
- ABE Asian-American Business Enterprise
- FBE Female Business Enterprise
- MAJ Majority Business Enterprise

Project Title	W/M Business Enterprise Name	Address	Contact Person(s)	Telephone #	Designation Code

Statement of Intent

We, the undersigned have prepared and submitted all the documents required for this project. We have prepared these documents with a full understanding of the Lancaster County School District's goal to ensure equal opportunities in the proposed work to be undertaken in performance of this project. Specifically the District seeks to encourage and promote on an inclusionary basis contracting opportunities without regard to the race, gender, national origin or ethnicity of the ownership or management of any business and that it is an equal opportunity employer and contracting entity. We certify that the representations contained in the Minority/Women Business Enterprise (M/WBE) Utilization Report, which we have submitted with this solicitation, are true and correct as of this date. We commit to undertake this contract with the Minority/Women Business utilization Report we have submitted, and to comply with all non-discrimination provisions of the Minority/Women Business Enterprise Program in the performance of this contract.

Name:		
Signature:	 	 _
Title:		_
Date:		-

SERVICE PROVIDER SECURITY ASSESSMENT QUESTIONNAIRE

Instructions: (1) Attach additional pages or documents as appropriate and make sure answers cross reference to the questions below. (2) As used in this Questionnaire, the phrase "district information" shall have the meaning defined in the clause titled "Information Security." (3) This Questionnaire must be read in conjunction with both of the following two clauses (a) Service Provider Security Assessment Questionnaire – Required, and (b) Service Provider Security Representation.

- 1. Describe your policies and procedures that ensure access to district information is limited to only those of your employees and contractors who require access to perform your proposed services.
- 2. Describe your disaster recovery and business continuity plans.
- 3. What safeguards and practices do you have in place to vet your employees and contractors who will have access to district information?
- 4. Describe and explain your security policies and procedures as they relate to your use of your contractors and next-tier sub -contractors.
- 5. List any reports or certifications that you have from properly accredited third-parties that demonstrate that adequate security controls and assurance requirements are in place to adequately provide for the confidentiality, integrity, and availability of the information systems used to process, store, transmit, and access all district information. (For example, an ISO/IEC 27001 compliance certificate, an AICPA SOC 2 (Type 2) report, or perhaps an AICPA SOC 3 report (i.e., a SysTrust or WebTrust seal)). For each certification, describe the scope of the assessment performed. Will these reports / certifications remain in place for the duration of the contract? Will you provide the district with most recent and future versions of the applicable compliance certificate / audit report?
- 6. Describe the policies, procedures and practices you have in place to provide for the physical security of your data centers and other sites where district information will be hosted, accessed or maintained.
- 7. Will district information be encrypted at rest? Will district information be encrypted when transmitted? Will district information be encrypted during data backups, and on backup media?

Please elaborate.

- 8. Describe safeguards that are in place to prevent unauthorized use, reuse, distribution, transmission, manipulation, copying, modification, access or disclosure of district information.
- 9. What controls are in place to detect security breaches? What system and network activity do you log? How long do you maintain these audit logs?
- 10. How will district information be managed after contract termination? Will district information provided to the Contractor be deleted or destroyed? When will this occur?
- 11. Describe your incident response policies and practices.
- 12. Identify any third party which will host or have access to district information.

Offeror's response to this questionnaire includes any other information submitted with its offer regarding information or data security.

SIGNATURE OF PERSON AUTHORLZED TO REPRESENT THE ACCURACY OF THIS INFORMATION ON BEHALF OF CONTRACTOR:

By:

(authorized signature)

lts:

(printed name of person signing above)

(title of person signing above)

Date:

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