East Rutherford School District
BEN 122743
Category 1 Specification

Form 470 # 270004250

All bids must be submitted to bids@erateconsulting.com by 11:59pm (EST) on December 11, 2026

Requirements/Preferences:

(1) All proposals **must** be submitted in electronic format to bids@erateconsulting.com. Only those bids sent to this specific email address will be reviewed. Adherence to this requirement is your responsibility and cannot be imputed to the Applicant.

(2) Your proposal **must** include your standard contract terms and conditions. Failure to do so will result in your bid being incomplete for bid evaluation purposes.

(3) In your email submission, the subject line **must** specifically reference the District and the applicable Form 470#.

(4) At the time of bid submission, you **must** have a valid Service Provider Identification Number (SPIN). Lacking a valid SPIN at the time of submission will result in your bid being deemed incomplete for bid evaluation purposes.

(5) Spam, robotic bids, and generic proposals crafted using artificial intelligence shall be deemed non-responsive and disqualified.

(6) If your proposed solution is comprised of products and/or services available through a State Master Contract or some other cooperative purchasing arrangement recognized by the State of New Jersey, please provide a specific reference to the contracting arrangement and, where applicable, the contract number.

(7) It is preferred that vendors have prior experience delivering the proposed solution in New Jersey. References must be provided upon request.

(8) Proposed monthly recurring costs must include all taxes, fees, and additional charges (if any). Failure to include any such taxes, fees, or other additional charges shall preclude service providers from subsequently modifying the monthly recurring charge(s) without the district's prior written consent to said modification. By submitting a proposal in response to this Form 470, you agree to be bound by this requirement.

(9) All service providers should be able to provide a current NJ Business Registration Certificate and W-9 upon request. Failure to do so will result in your bid being deemed

incomplete for bid evaluation purposes.

(10) All proposals must conform to the applicable provisions of the New Jersey Public Schools Contracts Law (Title 18A:18A-1 et seq.) and Board policies and regulations.

(11) The Applicant prefers a two-year term of service but will evaluate any other proposed term(s) that meet its requirements, including month-to-month terms.

(12) Proposals should include all one-time, non-recurring charges. Failure to include such charges in your submission will be deemed a waiver of the right to collect any such costs prior to or during the implementation process.

(13) By submitting a bid in response to this Form 470, you are certifying that your Company is in compliance with FCC Order FCC 19-121, which bars the use of USF subsidies to fund equipment, components, and services from "covered" companies deemed to provide a national security risk.

(14) Providers must give the Applicant the option to participate in either the Service Provider Invoicing (SPI) method or the Billed Entity Applicant Reimbursement (BEAR) method.

(15) The district reserves the right to accept or reject any or all proposals in whole or in part and/or waive any irregularity in any proposal received. The district shall be the sole judge of the competency and responsibility of the bidders. The submission of a bid by the bidder is an acknowledgement of this right.

(16) If the incumbent vendor does not respond to this Form 470 with a quote, the district reserves the right to use the incumbent vendor's current pricing as a bid.

(17) The district reserves the right to consider as bids in its evaluation any services that are available by way of State Contract and/or State-approved cooperatives.

(18) Please have an authorized company representative print, sign and date this document and submit along with your bid to indicate that you have read, considered, and understand each of these requirements. **Failure to submit this document with an authorized representative's signature will result in your bid being deemed incomplete for bid evaluation purposes.**

Internet Access:

<u>Business Class Internet</u>

- The district currently utilizes Business Class Internet at two locations.
- The Applicant is seeking pricing for two (2) business class Internet services at bandwidth levels of 1Gbps and 2Gbps, plus additional costs for five (5) static IPs per account. Please provide both 1Gbps and 2Gbps pricing options, if available.

- The district's two service locations are as follows:
    - Alfred S. Faust Intermediate Elementary School, 100 Uhland Street, East Rutherford, NJ
    - McKenzie Elementary School, 125 Carlton Avenue, Rutherford, NJ

If other than July 1, 2027, you must specify your proposed service start date. Failure to do so will cause the district to reasonably conclude that service can begin on July 1, 2027.

Please print your name, sign, and date to indicate that you have read the above requirements, that you understand them, that your proposal complies will all requirements, and that you agree to be bound by the terms of this document. Failure to do so will result in your bid being deemed incomplete for bid evaluation purposes.

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Vendor Representative Name

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Vendor Representative Signature

Date: _____