



DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS FOR AN EMERGENCY CONTRACT

CONTRACT NO: GAGA-2021-T-0210
CAPTION: LTE Services for Distance Learning
AGENCY: Office of Data Systems and Strategy (ODSS)
PROPOSED CONTRACTOR: T-Mobile

FINDINGS

1. AUTHORIZATION:

D.C. Official Code § 2-354.05; 27 DCMR § 1702 (Emergency Procurements)

2. MINIMUM NEED:

The District of Columbia Public Schools (DCPS), Office of Resource Strategy (ORS), Contracts and Acquisitions Division (OCA), on behalf of the Office of Data Systems and Strategy (ODSS), is seeking a Contractor to provide LTE service to student devices during distance learning due to COVID-19. To ensure that all eligible students can participate equally and without barriers, the agency must provide the required school supplies.

There is an immediate need for LTE service to prevent interruption in service that cannot be met through standard procurement methods at this time. Therefore, this emergency procurement action must be executed.

3. ESTIMATED REASONABLE COST:

The estimated cost is \$793,956.96 for the proposed period of performance (October 1, 2021 – December 31, 2021), a Notice to Proceed was issued from October 1, 2021 to November 30, 2021..

4. FACTS THAT JUSTIFY EMERGENCY PROCUREMENT:

The primary purpose of this emergency contract is the one-time preventing interruption in service for the FY 2022 school year at all DCPS Public Schools' locations. Without LTE and Hotspot service, students will be unable to use their DCPS issued student device (LTE enabled) to connect DCPS learning platforms. Many learning platforms are online as a result from Covid-19 and it's imperative that the LTE service not be interrupted to ensure all students continue to achieve academically.

5. CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY DIRECTOR:

I hereby certify that the above findings are accurate, correct, and complete to the best of my knowledge.

Colin Taylor
Chief, Office of Data Systems & Strategy

Date

6. DETERMINATION

Based upon the authorities, findings and in accordance with D.C. Official Code § 2-354.05; 27 DCMR § 1702 (Emergency Procurements), I hereby determine that the proposed emergency procurement is in the best interest of the District of Columbia.

LaVeta Hilton
Interim Chief Procurement Officer

Date