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Floyd County Selects Federal Engineering for Public Safety Communications System Design

FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA, October 11, 2021 — Floyd County, Virginia has selected Federal Engineering, Inc. (**FE**) to provide analyses, recommendations, and direction for the County-wide Public Safety radio system.

Mr. Kevin Sowers, Floyd County Project Manager said: “The County sought proposals for a qualified Public Safety Communications System Consulting Firm to provide recommendations and direction for the County-wide Public Safety radio system. The Consultant will provide its analysis, conclusions, recommendations, and directions to the County in the form of a Public Safety Communications Plan and publicly present the Plan to the Floyd County Board of Supervisors. Our expectation was that the selected consulting firm would have an extensive radio systems background and be able to audit the current system, analyze the functionality and operations of the system and develop a comprehensive strategic plan to provide improved communications and operations as well as provide detailed implementation plans. We received multiple proposals from qualified firms and selected Federal Engineering based upon their extensive experience here in the Commonwealth as well as the outstanding references we received from **FE** clients.”

Mr. Brad Barber, **FE** Director said: “We are excited to be working with Floyd County to improve radio communication for the County’s first responders. **FE** will apply our proven methodologies, refined over 2,000 projects, to deliver a successful project to Floyd County. We will provide expertise in the design, procurement, implementation, quality assurance, coordination, performance testing, system cutover, and acceptance stages of the new radio communication system for the County. The County will benefit from our demonstrated expertise with current public safety radio communications systems and technology as well as the most current industry trends and initiatives as set forth by organizations such as the Association of Public Safety Communications Officials (APCO), the National Public Safety Telecommunication Council (NPSTC), and dominant radio system manufacturers. Because of **FE’s** implementation support background, we are intimately familiar with governing rules and regulations as issued by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) and other relevant agencies (FAA, NTIA, etc.), and possess the demonstrated subject matter expertise and hands-on experience that will be needed by the County.”

Federal Engineering is a leading, nationwide firm providing analysis, design, procurement, and implementation support for public safety and public service communications involving traditional VHF, UHF, 700 MHz, 800 MHz, 900 MHz, and 4.9GHz mobile radio systems as well as LTE and CBRS. These services complement **FE’s** wide range of dispatch center consulting services in NG911, PSAPs, RTTCs, ECCs, and EOCs. **FE’s** cybersecurity practice helps our clients defend against today’s complex and ever-changing threat landscape. **FE** also serves as trusted advisors to assist clients in understanding emerging services such as FirstNet and the impacts on their current and future plans. Since 1983, **FE** has completed thousands of communications projects for 46 state governments, as well as numerous local and federal government clients.

In addition to its public sector work, Federal Engineering provides design and implementation support services for voice, data, and video networks used in the transportation, utilities, aerospace, finance, education, publishing, and computer services industries. **FE’s** certified independence ensures that clients receive objective, unbiased consulting services that are not influenced by any technology, product, vendor, or approach.