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Emergency Communications of Southern Oregon Awards Federal Engineering Contract for Public Safety Radio System Design Consulting Services

FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA, November 28, 2016 — Emergency Communications of Southern Oregon (ECSO) has awarded Federal Engineering, Inc. (**FE**) a contract to provide Public Safety Radio System Design Consulting Services.

Mr. Ronald F. Bosco, **FE's** President and CEO, described the project, "ECSO currently operates a series of disparate VHF radio systems that provide voice communications for police, fire, and EMS. The current systems were not designed and built as a countywide or regional network supporting multiple disciplines but has become one over time. ECSO intends to replace this system with one that is:

- County wide
- IP based
- P25 phase 2 compliant
- VHF
- Voted
- Trunked simulcast

Federal Engineering will develop the specific technological approach and define how ECSO will make this transition from the current communication system to the new system with minimal operational down time."

Mr. Bosco continued: "The project shall consist of two phases:

- Phase I Assessment of subscriber communication needs and inventory.
- Phase II Recommended solution(s) and conceptual System design.

This approach ensures that the radio users' needs are met and provides good visibility to ECSO management throughout the process."

Ms. Margie Moulin, ECSO Director, stated: "ECSO issued an RFP for consulting services to support the upgrade of our public safety radio system. We evaluated all responses to our RFP based on the following criteria: General Qualifications, Experience and Technical Qualifications, Project Approach and Proposed Solution, Cost, and Schedule Considerations. Federal Engineering was selected because their proposal demonstrated a wealth of successful experience and the best value for ECSO. **FE's** industry reputation and references in Oregon and other states served to confirm our selection."

Federal Engineering is the leading, nationwide firm providing analysis, design, procurement, and implementation support for public safety and public service communications. **FE** provides consulting services involving LTE as well as traditional VHF, UHF, 700 MHz, 800 MHz, 900 MHz and 4.9GHz mobile radio systems. **FE** also supports FirstNet planning for the Nationwide Public Safety Broadband Network. Since 1983, **FE** has completed thousands of projects for 46 state governments, as well as numerous local and federal government clients.

Federal Engineering, Inc., recently added the L.R. Kimball public safety communications consulting practice to the firm. **FE** now offers the services of a worldwide leader in public safety answering point (PSAP) consulting. With **FE/Kimball**, jurisdictions can rely upon one firm for virtually all of their consulting needs in E9-1-1, NG9-1-1, PSAPs, Emergency Call Centers, and Emergency Operations Centers as well as land mobile radio voice, wireless data, broadband, backhaul, and emerging LTE mobile communications systems.