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Federal Engineering Awarded Operations Planning and Training Contract By the State of Minnesota

FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA, September 1, 2011 — the state of Minnesota has awarded Federal Engineering, Inc. (**FE**) a contract to provide operational planning and training for the Allied Radio Matrix for Emergency Response (ARMER) network cross spectrum interoperability overlay.

Ms. Jackie Mines, Director of Emergency Communication Networks, a division of the Minnesota Department of Public Safety, described the project: "As part of the ARMER project, Minnesota is implementing a supplemental cross spectrum interoperability system ("Interop System") to provide public safety interoperability with conventional public safety communication resources."

Ms. Mines continued: "Radio-over-Internet protocol (RoIP) gateways will be deployed connecting VHF radio equipment at 109 of the 328 ARMER base radio sites." Federal Engineering has been retained to provide professional consulting services to develop an operational plan for the Interop System. This plan will include operational policies and procedures and define how the various elements of the Interop System will be used to provide cross-spectrum interoperability for public safety agencies throughout the state using ARMER and non-ARMER radio systems. The project encompasses the development of learning objectives and a training program to support the implementation of the plan. Training sessions will be conducted so that state agency trainers can prepare practitioners in the use of the system.

"Federal Engineering has successfully completed many programs over our four year relationship with the state of Minnesota. We are proud that the State has, once again, selected our firm to support this important project. The ARMER program has been a resounding success and the Interop System is another element that will mitigate interoperability issues. As the 10-year anniversary of 9-11 approaches, we are once again reminded of the importance of public safety communications interoperability," stated Ronald F. Bosco, **FE's** President.

Federal Engineering provides a wide range of design and management services in public safety and public service involving VHF, UHF, 700 MHz, 800 MHz, 900 MHz and 4.9GHz communications systems. **FE** also assists in the design and implementation of E911, PSAPs, ECCs, and EOCs.

As a nationwide communications systems planning and design firm, Federal Engineering develops voice, data, and video networks for numerous firms including utilities, transportation, aerospace, energy, finance, education, publishing, and computer services. In addition to its private sector work, **FE** has completed over a thousand communications projects for 30 state governments, as well as numerous local and federal government clients. **FE's** certified independence ensures that clients receive objective, unbiased consulting services that are not influenced by any particular technology, product, vendor, or approach.