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Pinal County Extends Federal Engineering's Contract to Include Mobile Radio Procurement and Implementation

FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA, May 26, 2015 — Pinal County, AZ has extended Federal Engineering's (**FE**) contract to support the next two phases of the County's public safety mobile radio upgrade.

Mr. Jay Vargo, IT/Radio Communications Director for the County said: "Federal Engineering facilitated comprehensive meetings with County stakeholders to identify the governance, operational, interoperable and technical needs and the best path toward acquiring systems that meet those needs. Based on the discussions and the direction set at the planning meetings, **FE** developed a high-level strategic plan that outlined the County's communication goals and a plan for achieving those goals."

Mr. Vargo went on: "**FE** prepared a conceptual design of a future countywide radio system capable of serving the agencies in the County. **FE** determined available frequencies, established site parameters and subscriber equipment characteristics, performed coverage analysis, evaluated potential new sites and performed frequency assignments for the new system. The conceptual design provided the detailed information needed for building a new countywide radio communications system. The County Board of Supervisors authorized funding for the new countywide radio communications system based on the high-level strategic plan that **FE** provided. Federal Engineering's consulting contract has now been extended to support the procurement and implementation phases of this project."

Mr. Ronald F. Bosco, **FE's** President, said: "**FE** will assist the County in the development of an RFP to procure the radio system. We will also support the vendor prebid conference to answer any technical questions and generate RFP addenda as needed. **FE** has been involved in over \$1 billion in public safety radio procurements and our specialists will bring this extensive experience to the vendor contract negotiations process as directed by the County.

Mr. Bosco continued: "During the implementation phase, **FE** will provide a multitude of services including design reviews, site inspections, and project management as well as the witnessing of factory, site, and acceptance testing. **FE** participation will track vendor compliance with the County contract throughout the process."

Federal Engineering provides analysis, design, procurement, and implementation support for NG911, PSAPs, ECCs, and EOCs. These services complement **FE's** wide range of consulting services in public safety and public service communications involving LTE as well as traditional VHF, UHF, 700 MHz, 800 MHz, 900 MHz and 4.9GHz mobile radio systems. Since 1983, **FE** has completed thousands of communications projects for 40 state governments, as well as numerous local and federal government clients. Most recently, **FE** has expanded its services to support FirstNet planning in anticipation of the Nationwide Public Safety Broadband Network.

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