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## **Village of Oak Lawn Selects Federal Engineering for Emergency Communications Migration Project**

**FAIRFAX, VIRGINIA**, July 28, 2025 — The Village of Oak Lawn, Illinois has announced that Federal Engineering, Inc. (**FE**) has been selected for project management services to oversee the migration of 911 emergency technology equipment from the existing center to the Village's new regional 911 dispatch center. The Oak Lawn Regional Emergency Communications Center (OLREC) handles Police and Fire Dispatch for the Village of Oak Lawn, Village of Bridgeview, City of Burbank, Village of Evergreen Park, Village of Alsip, Village of Hodgkins, Village of Bedford Park, Village of Lyons, and the Central Stickney Fire Protection District.

Ms. Diana Tousignant, OLREC Director, commented: "OLREC was in search of a firm with expertise in project management to oversee the relocation, installation, and testing of all existing and new 911 emergency technology equipment as we transition from the current facility to the new center. With Federal Engineering, we have found such a firm. OLREC provides regional dispatching services for the surrounding municipalities and agencies that encompass approximately thirty-five (35) square miles, more than 146,000 residents, large industrial areas, an international airport, two major medical centers, major shopping centers, and interstate roadways that effectively increase the population of residents and visitors every day."

"OLREC is also the MABAS Division 21 primary dispatch center. This includes providing services to the following fire departments: Chicago Ridge, Hometown, North Palos, Roberts Park, and Summit. MABAS is an acronym for Mutual Aid Box Alarm System. MABAS offers a statewide mutual aid response system for fire, EMS and specialized incident operational teams. Representatives from the Office of the State Fire Marshal, Department of Public Health – EMS Division and Illinois Fire Chiefs Association participate in this effort." Ms. Tousignant went on to explain.

Mr. Jeffrey Paré, Director of Business Development for Federal Engineering, said: "**FE** has considerable experience providing consulting services throughout the State of Illinois. We have worked with Illinois agencies statewide for over 25 years. We understand the criticality of the 24/7/365 mission-critical systems that will be transitioning during this project. Our scope of work includes assessing the center's current technology and infrastructure, creating and managing a detailed technology transition plan, supporting the selection of the contractors and integrators necessary to implement the plan, managing vendor installation timelines, and overseeing cutover and testing to achieve the Village's requirements in the new facility."

Federal Engineering is a leading, nationwide firm providing analysis, design, procurement, implementation, and operations support for PSAPs, EOCs, ECCs, and RTCCs. **FE** subject matter experts have decades of experience in all relevant technologies including 9-1-1, NG9-1-1, GIS, CAD, RMS, MDS, and JMS systems. These services complement **FE's** wide range of public safety and public service communications consulting services. **FE's** cybersecurity practice helps our clients defend against today's complex and ever-changing threat landscape. **FE** personnel also serve as trusted advisors assisting clients to assess services such as FirstNet® and the impacts of new technologies on their current and future plans. Since 1983, **FE** has completed thousands of communications projects in all 50 states for numerous state, local, and federal government clients as well as Canadian 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, finance, education, 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.

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