

Request for Information

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State of Alaska
Department of Administration
Division of Office of Procurement and Property Management

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LOW-EARTH ORBIT SATELLITE TO TELEVISION TRANSMISSION COMMUNICATION SERVICE

Introduction:

The State of Alaska, Department of Administration (DOA), Commissioner's Office, is requesting information from qualified vendors that can provide Satellite Delivered Broadband Services and Hardware for the Alaska Rural Communications System (ARCS) as described below.

This request for information (RFI) does not guarantee future work. The information gathered will aid DOA in conducting market research to ascertain the availability and applicability of options in the marketplace

Background Information:

ARCS as of this date has 126 Federally licensed rural low-power television transmitter sites transmitting four or six channels of open over the air television programming. Each site receives programming via a single leased satellite relaying a transmission consisting of television programming and the Emergency Broadcast System assembled in Anchorage. ARCS also provides radio programming to over 25 rural public radio stations.

Response Information:

The purpose of this RFI is to gather information from vendors who are qualified and capable of providing Satellite Delivered Broadband Services and Hardware for the Alaska Rural Communications System. DOA is specifically seeking information regarding low-earth orbit satellite communication service.

Responses must include the following information:

1. Organization name, contact name, mailing address, phone number, and email of designated point of contact;
2. Existing capabilities and competence related to the services identified above; and
3. Responses provided in both word and PDF formats, including any supplemental attachments.

RFI Questionnaire:

The Division is interested in the following information as well as any value-added options that your vendor offers.

1. Provide rural low power television station broadcast connectivity utilizing low-earth orbit satellite constellations for the Alaska Rural Communications System at a lower cost than the current system.
2. Provide hardware, and technical support for services throughout Alaska's landmass and its territorial waters for the Alaska Rural Communications System at its existing 126 sites.
3. Please provide the general and benchmark cost associated with your service.

This RFI does not extend any rights to prospective vendors or obligate the state to conduct a solicitation or purchase any goods or services. DOA does not intend to award a contract from this RFI, nor will DOA be financially responsible for the preparation, or administration cost incurred to respond to this RFI. All costs associated with

responding will be solely at the interested party's expense.

Procurement Officer contact information:

Interested parties must submit a written response by **July 28, 2026, at 2:00:00 p.m. AKST**. Responses must be submitted via email to the address below.

All questions must be directed to the person listed below in writing via email.

Department of Administration

Attention: Christine Mash

Email: doa.oppm.procurement@alaska.gov

Notice to Vendors:

Pursuant to [Administrative Order 352](#), (a) any person or business determined to support or participate in a boycott of the State of Israel will be disqualified from any procurement related to this Request for Information; and (b) the support of or participation in a boycott of the State of Israel by a person or business contracting with the State of Alaska under AS 36.30 constitutes grounds for termination of the contract.

[Administrative Order 352](#) does not apply to a contract if the person or business has fewer than 10 employees; or the amount to be paid under the contract, excluding renewals and options available under the contract, is less than \$100,000.