LEGAL NOTICE

**Bid Number: 16207 CPE Routers & Switches for Hosted Services**

Bids will be received by EPB at the Purchasing office at 1350 E 8th Street, Chattanooga, Tennessee 37403 until 2:00 PM, December 4, 2026

EPB will hold an Optional pre-bid meeting on November 20, 2026 2:00 PM EASTERN via Microsoft Teams to discuss the bid and contract requirements. While attendance at the pre-bid meeting is optional, Bidders are highly encouraged to attend. Bid forms and additional information may be picked up at 12:00 PM on November 16, 2026 at EPB's Purchasing Department or requested by calling (423) 718-4991or emailing lansdent@epb.net.

EPB Fiber Optics is seeking proposals for a standardized commercial Customer Premise Equipment (CPE) router/switch platform to support current and future managed services, including hosted Wi-Fi, hosted PBX, managed security, camera solutions, and routed subnet. The selected solution must provide carrier-grade reliability, multi-gigabit performance, advanced routing capabilities, secure remote management, and operational scalability across approximately 3,000 existing and future customer locations. EPB is evaluating vendors based on technical functionality, manageability, security, lifecycle support, and total cost of ownership, with the goal of establishing a long-term strategic platform that supports commercial internet services, hosted products, and future service innovation.

EPB reserves the right to reject any and / or all bids, waive any informalities in the bids received, and to accept any bid which, in its opinion, may be in the best interest of the Board.

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