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Starbuck & E911 Broadband Project

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS – Fiber Optic Materials

PROPOSALS DUE BY: 4:00 pm March 5, 2026 via email to jennie@portofcolumbia.org.

Background & Location of Project:

The Port of Columbia (Project Owner) continues to work on deployment of broadband service to citizens of Columbia County. As authorized by statute (RCW 53.08.005, 53.08.370 & 53.08.370), the Port builds telecommunications infrastructure and offers it for use to telecommunications providers on an open access platform. The Port is beginning work on the Starbuck & E911 Broadband Project (Project) described below. The Starbuck and E911 Project is funded with Coronavirus Capital Project Funds distributed via the Washington State Community Economic Revitalization Board (CERB) and will be subject to both state and federal rules.

Request for Proposals:

Please provide proposals for the materials listed in *Exhibit A, Port of Columbia Owner Supplied Material List*, on or before 4:00 p.m. on March 5, 2026. This RFP and Exhibit A can be found on the Port of Columbia's website at <https://www.portofcolumbia.org/doing-work-for-the-port/requests-for-quotes-proposals-qualifications/>.

Proposals should include shipping/freight costs, applicable taxes, product manufacturing location, and lead times. Price quotes included with proposals must be valid for 30 days.

The SHIP TO address is 1 Port Way, Dayton, WA 99328.

Proposals will be evaluated per 2 CFR Part 200 Subpart D - Procurement Standards

Evaluation Factors (in order of relative importance):

- Proposal matches part numbers listed
- Price
- Lead Time (*delivery on or before June 1, 2026*)
- Domestic manufacturer of product*

* "Manufactured product" means items and construction materials composed in whole or in part of non-ferrous metals such as aluminum; plastics and polymer-based products such as polyvinyl chloride pipe; aggregates such as concrete; glass, including optical fiber; and lumber.

The Project Owner reserves the right to request clarification of information submitted, and to request additional information for any submission. The Project Owner reserves the right to reject any and all proposals or to waive any irregularity. The terms of any final contract will be established by negotiation.

The Port is an Equal Opportunity and Affirmative Action Employer. This project is funded through the Washington State Community Economic Revitalization Board with federal funds from the U.S. Treasury ARPA Capital Project Funds. Small, Minority- and Women-owned firms are encouraged to submit proposals.

The Port of Columbia's mission is to maximize public resources and private investment to create jobs, provide infrastructure, and maintain and improve the economic vitality of Columbia County and its communities.