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Our mission is to engage, support and inspire learning.

Dear Assistant Secretary Strickling,

Please be advised that Southeastern Regional Education Service Center, Inc. (SERESC) is actively preparing an application for the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) and the Broadband Initiative Program (BIP). Enclosed you will find an overview of our proposal, which will augment current proposals already submitted by the State of New Hampshire.

As we only recently learned of this opportunity, we respectfully ask for a 30 day extension to the current RFI deadline of November 30, 2009. If approved, we will submit a full package for your consideration on or before December 30, 2009.

Thank you for your consideration. We look forward to your response. Please do not hesitate to contact us in the meantime if we can provide any additional information.

Sincerely,

Dr. Antonio Paradis
Executive Director

MEMBER SCHOOL DISTRICTS

Auburn • Bedford • Candia • Hampstead • Hooksett • Hudson • Litchfield
Londonderry • Merrimack • Pelham • Timberlane • Windham

Transforming New Hampshire Education

PROGRAM: "New Hampshire Kids First"

GOAL:

To bring Broadband access to each school in the state and to facilitate the creation of one 21st Century classroom in every public school building in New Hampshire.

OBJECTIVE:

To transform K-12 education in New Hampshire through the introduction of technology that aligns to curriculum, motivates learning and introduces students to the Web 2.0 world. Initially, the focus is to bring Broadband access to all schools in New Hampshire and to facilitate the creation and installation of one 21st century classroom in every public school building.

SCOPE:

- 1) Broadband access to every public school in New Hampshire
- 2) Networking to delivery broadband access to the classroom in each school (wired or wireless)
- 3) Computing devices for students in each classroom
- 4) A rich set of collaboration learning tools – all provided in the Cloud (uSync, Google Docs, etc.)

STAKEHOLDERS:

- 1) NH Students, Teachers, Parents and the NH Community
- 2) NH School Boards Association
- 3) NH School Administrators Association
- 4) NH Teachers Association
- 5) NH Association of Special Education Administrators
- 6) NH Business Administrators Association
- 7) NH Department of Education
- 8) NH Governor & Governor's Council

PATH FORWARD

The next step is to create a non-profit, potentially called "New Hampshire Kids First" that will invite all stakeholders mentioned above to the board as well companies interested in the effort.

Potential companies include:

Verizon, Comcast, Fairport Communications, Tandberg, Cisco, SMART, Promethean, HP, Dell, Apple, Universities: UNH/PSU/Keene State/SNHU, etc.

Following, a campaign will begin to gather requirements across the state of New Hampshire to develop support for the program and execute the program plan.