

SCHOOL BOARD COMMUNICATION

Title: Approval of eRate Category I and Category II Service Contracts

Date: March 24, 2026

Administrator: Jamie Burgess, Superintendent and Jim Shreve, Director of Technology

Attachments: Microcom/Aurora LEO Starlink Service Agreement, SCS Quote

Action Needed **For Discussion** **Information** **Other**

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Nome Public Schools recently released a Request for Proposal for Category I eRate Services (internet connection) and Category II eRate Services (network switches and associated hardware) and scored submitted proposals. NPS proposes to award the Category I contract to Microcom/Aurora LEO Starlink, and the Category II contract to Structured Communication Services. The District is applying for a BAG unlimited grant to cover 100% of our internet costs, and the new contract will allow for an increase to up to 2G per second from our current 300MB.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

The administration recommends approval of contracts for eRate Category I and Category II as presented.

Sample Motion: I move to approve the contracts for eRate Category I and Category II as presented.