

Boone County Purchasing

Michelle Brooks
Buyer



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TO: Boone County Commission
FROM: Michelle Brooks
DATE: May 21, 2026
RE: Revised Bid Award Commission Memo for Bid Award Recommendation:
20-27APR26 – Point-to-Point Metro Ethernet Connection for Road and Bridge

Request for Bid 20-27APR26 – Point-to-Point Metro Ethernet Connection closed on April 27, 2026. The County received two (2) responses from the following bidders: Missouri Network Alliance, LLC d/b/a Bluebird Fiber and Socket Telecom, LLC.

Information Technology Department recommends awarding the contract to Socket Telecom, LLC, as the best bid for the County. Socket provides alerts for issues that may affect County services, where Bluebird Fiber has not based on County's previous experience. In addition, the service provided by Bluebird Fiber was down for months on County's previous contract. The County was not notified and continued to pay for the service.

The County contract number is C001136.

Invoices will be paid from Department 2083 – R&B IT Hardware & Software, account 48002 – Data Communication. A total of \$15,600 is budgeted annually for this service. The award recommendation form and Bid Tab are attached for reference.

cc: Julia Lutz, Information Technology
Greg Edington, Road & Bridge
Bid File

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