SELF REGIONAL HEALTHCARE

Request for Proposal
RFP #SUS226
Critical Infrastructure Electrical Modernization Project

Anticipated Schedule of Events

Milestone	Date
RFP Issued	November 13, 2026
RFP Submission Deadline	December 12, 2026
Committee Evaluation and Selection	December 16, 2026
Anticipated Notice of Award	December 23, 2026

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General Information

Self Regional Healthcare (SRH) is a nonprofit, regional healthcare system headquartered in Greenwood, South Carolina, serving approximately 300,000 residents across the Lakelands region. The system includes SRH Medical Center, Abbeville Area Medical Center, Edgefield County Healthcare, and a network of primary care, specialty care, rural health, and outpatient facilities throughout its service area.

Background Information

Edgefield County Healthcare (ECH) received funding through the South Carolina Rural Health Transformation Program to modernize critical electrical infrastructure within the hospital. Aging electrical distribution components create reliability, operational-risk, code-compliance, and continuity concerns for patient-care operations. The project focuses on electrical switchgear, distribution equipment, panel boards, circuit breakers, electrical monitoring systems, feeders, branch circuits, and associated distribution components. ECH is seeking qualified electrical engineering firms, licensed electrical contractors, and qualified project teams to provide engineering, procurement support, installation, testing, commissioning, and related technical expertise.

Federal Funding Notice: This project is supported by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS) Rural Health Transformation Program (RHTP) through a subaward from the State of South Carolina. SRH was awarded $30,966,205.28 in federal RHTP funds, which represents 100% of the total project costs.

As a result, the selected vendor and any subcontractors may be subject to applicable federal requirements. Proposers should refer to the Terms, Conditions, and Federal Requirements section of this RFP for additional information.

Goals

Modernize ECH critical electrical infrastructure; improve system reliability; reduce operational risk; enhance code compliance; maintain uninterrupted patient-care operations; coordinate phased shutdowns to minimize disruption; and complete the grant-funded work within the project performance period.

Objectives

Replace or upgrade obsolete switchgear, panel boards, breakers, protective devices, monitoring systems, feeders, branch circuits, and related distribution components; complete engineering evaluations, design, load analysis, coordination studies, and transition planning; support equipment selection and procurement; perform phased installation, testing, startup, commissioning, functional verification, and final acceptance; maintain operational continuity; and provide training, warranties, as-built records, inspection records, final reports, and grant-compliant closeout documentation.

Anticipated Contract Term

The project performance period extends through September 30, 2027, and project completion is required no later than that date. The Source RFP does not specify an initial contract term, service term, or optional renewal periods.

Scope Overview

ECH is requesting professional and technical services, equipment-procurement support, labor, supervision, installation, testing, commissioning, and project closeout for the SUS226 Critical Infrastructure Electrical Modernization Project at 300 Ridge Medical Plaza, Edgefield, South Carolina. The selected proposer will evaluate and design electrical-system improvements; prepare drawings, specifications, load analysis, coordination studies, phased implementation plans, shutdown plans, and code-compliance support; assist with equipment selection, procurement coordination, factory acceptance testing, delivery scheduling, and material tracking; replace or upgrade identified electrical-distribution components; maintain hospital operations during phased work; coordinate with authorities having jurisdiction; and provide final documentation and training. The revised award eliminated the previously proposed Construction category. Available categories are equipment, supplies, contractual services, fees and permits, and project administration and compliance. Budget amounts are funding limits and are not a guaranteed contract value or commitment to expend all available funds.

RFP Instructions & Protocols

Notice to Interested Parties

Proposals must be submitted as a single PDF by email to RHTP@selfregional.org by December 12, 2026, before 11:59 PM EST ("RFP Submission Deadline").

The single PDF must include the complete proposal and all required appendices and supporting documents.
The email subject line must state: "**RFP Response_RFP Title_RFP #_Proposer Organization Name**."

Response and Communication Protocols

Do not contact the requesting department. Interested proposers must email all questions and requests for additional information to RHTP@selfregional.org by December 12, 2026, before 11:59 PM EST (the "RFP Deadline"). The solicitation number and title must appear in the email subject line. Attempts to circumvent this requirement may result in rejection of the proposal as noncompliant.

SRH will issue official responses to proposer questions and any amendments to this RFP in writing. Only written responses and addenda issued by SRH are binding. Proposers are responsible for reviewing and acknowledging all addenda issued before the proposal deadline. Oral statements, informal communications, or information provided by any other source may not be relied upon.

RFP Organization and Format

Responses must follow the prescribed format detailed below in order to be accepted.

Proposers should organize their proposals in the order listed below.

1. Transmittal Letter
2. Project Narrative, including a response to each Project Specification
3. Pricing
4. Appendix A: Signature Page
5. Appendix B: Deviation Form
6. Appendix C: Conflict of Interest Questionnaire
7. Appendix D: Certification Regarding Lobbying (if applicable)
8. Appendix E: Insurance Requirements

Transmittal Letter

Proposer must submit a transmittal letter that accomplishes the following:

- Proposer's name and contact information
- Brief statement of interest in the project
- Length of time the proposal and pricing will remain valid (minimum of 60 days required)
- Name, title, and signature of an authorized representative
- Brief summary of relevant qualifications and experience
- Any exceptions to the RFP requirements or terms
- Confirmation of the proposer's SAM.gov registration status, if applicable, and confirmation that the proposer and its proposed subcontractors are not subject to an applicable federal exclusion or debarment.

Project Narrative

The proposer should provide a detailed narrative describing its qualifications and proposed approach. The narrative should address each requirement included in the Project Specifications section and include the following:

1. The proposer should provide a statement explaining why it is uniquely qualified to provide the requested goods or services to SRH.

2. A summary highlighting the most important elements of this proposal.
3. Details about the proposer's overall qualifications and ability to address each specific requirement in the Project Specifications section of this RFP.
4. The qualifications, physical location, and background of the personnel who will be directly involved with this project.
5. Include a statement confirming that the proposer agrees to complete all applicable background checks and screenings, if required, before personnel begin work at SRH and/or affiliate facilities and to comply with SRH's identification, access, safety, and security requirements for on-site personnel.
6. If applicable, provide a list of current or recent clients receiving similar products or services, including each client's contact information, the size or scope of the engagement, and the length of service.
7. If applicable, disclose any current or pending litigation or regulatory matter that could affect the proposer's ability to perform the work. Disclosure will not automatically disqualify a proposer; however, failure to disclose may affect the proposer's eligibility or any resulting agreement.
8. If applicable, detailed technical information about the proposed solution and the infrastructure needed for implementation and ongoing support. This may include hardware, network, communications, third-party software, system integration, and other technical requirements.
9. Identification of all proposed subcontractors and subprocessors, including their roles, the products or services they will provide, and the portions of the work for which they will be responsible.

Optional Features, Products, and Supplemental Features

Proposers are encouraged to describe in detail any optional features, products, or services that could benefit SRH but are not included in the minimum requirements of this RFP. Optional items may include additional training, maintenance, enhanced service levels, alternative pricing options, upgrades, or other supplemental offerings.

Each optional item should be clearly described and identified separately from the primary proposal. Pricing for optional items should be itemized separately and should not be included in the base proposal price.

Insurance Coverages

Proposers must maintain the insurance coverages in accordance with Appendix E.

Quality Assurance

The proposer should describe its quality assurance processes, including how it will monitor performance, identify and correct deficiencies, document quality activities, and report results to SRH. The response should identify applicable performance measures, escalation procedures, and responsibility for corrective action.

References

Provide a minimum of three (3) customer references for projects involving goods or services similar to those requested in this RFP. References should relate to comparable projects completed by the proposer, preferably for hospitals or other healthcare organizations. For each reference, include the organization's name, contact person, address, telephone number, and email address.

NOTE: SRH will not accept references submitted after the proposal deadline or by a method other than the one identified in this RFP. SRH may contact the references to confirm or clarify the information provided and may consider those responses when evaluating proposals. SRH is not required to seek clarification of incomplete reference information.

Proposal Pricing

Pricing should be itemized for all products and services requested in this RFP. Brief notes may be included when needed to explain a specific line item. The proposer should include all costs associated with its proposal and clearly identify any assumptions, exclusions, optional costs, or additional fees. SRH may select and award the products or services that best meet its needs.

Payment and Discounts

The proposer should include a proposed payment schedule that aligns with the pricing provided and the anticipated agreement. The proposer should also describe any available discounts, including early-payment discounts and the terms

under which each discount would apply.

Evaluation and Review Process

Review Process

This RFP is not intended to favor any proposer and is designed to identify the proposal that provides the best overall value to SRH. The Evaluation Committee will review and evaluate the proposals, or individual portions of the proposals. Following the initial evaluation, SRH may identify a short list of proposers for further consideration. SRH may conduct discussions or interviews with those proposers and may negotiate final pricing, schedules, and other terms before making a final selection. Any final selection will be subject to SRH's applicable review and approval process.

SRH may reject any proposal that is late, materially incomplete, nonresponsive, or not submitted in accordance with the requirements of this RFP.

Evaluation Methodology

Each RFP response will be evaluated and scored using the criteria below. Each category will be scored from 0 to 5. Scores will support SRH's determination of the proposal that provides the best overall value, subject to any discussions, interviews, negotiations, and required reviews or approvals.

Evaluation Criteria

Scoring Category	Description	Maximum Points Available
Relevant Experience & References	Demonstrated experience with similar projects, qualifications, past performance, and references.	5
Technical Approach	Understanding of requirements, quality of proposed solution, methodology, and innovation.	5
Project Timeline & Work Plan	Realism and feasibility of implementation schedule, milestones, and project management approach.	5
Organizational Capacity	Availability of staffing, resources, infrastructure, and ability to successfully complete the project.	5
Cost/Price	Cost reasonableness, value for money, and alignment with proposed scope of work.	5
	Total Points Available	**25**

When determining how many points to give each scoring category, the following rating scale can be used:

Rating Scale

Rating	Descriptor	Guidance
5	Exceptional	Addresses the scoring category exceptionally well, with clear and convincing information, substantial strengths, and no significant weaknesses.
4	Very Good	Addresses the scoring category well, with sufficient supporting information, clear strengths, and only minor weaknesses.
3	Acceptable	Adequately addresses the scoring category and provides sufficient information for evaluation. Any weaknesses are manageable.
2	Marginal	Partially addresses the scoring category but includes significant weaknesses, gaps, or unclear information.
1	Poor	Minimally addresses the scoring category and includes major weaknesses, substantial gaps, or insufficient supporting information.
0	Unacceptable / Unresponsive	Does not address the scoring category or provides information that is insufficient or unacceptable for evaluation.

Project Specifications

Your proposal must specifically address, in narrative form, each requirement specified herein. You must confirm and describe your ability and intention to meet each requirement. Failure to address a specified requirement can result in disqualification of your proposal.

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The proposed solution must address the project requirements below and clearly identify any exception, third-party dependency, or item that is not currently available and remains on a future product or service roadmap. Responses must describe the technical approach, implementation responsibilities, staffing, schedule, risks, pricing, reporting, security, privacy, responsible AI controls, training, support, service levels, and transition assistance.

Project Requirements

The proposer must provide all professional and technical services necessary to complete the electrical modernization project. Engineering and design requirements include electrical-system evaluations, engineering design, drawings and specifications, load analysis, coordination studies, phased implementation planning, shutdown and transition planning, code review, compliance support, and construction-administration support as applicable.

Procurement support includes specification development, equipment selection, procurement coordination, factory acceptance testing support, delivery scheduling, and material tracking. Infrastructure work includes replacement of obsolete switchgear, panel boards, breakers, and protective devices; modernization of electrical monitoring systems; installation of feeders and branch circuits; rerouting and transition activities; and maintenance of operational continuity.

Testing and closeout include electrical testing, startup, commissioning, functional and final acceptance verification, coordination with authorities having jurisdiction, as-built documents, manuals, warranties, facility-personnel training, inspection records, final reports, and grant-compliant closeout records.

Ownership and Use

Proposals must identify all equipment, supplies, drawings, specifications, manuals, warranties, training materials, as-built records, inspection records, test results, and final reports included in the proposed scope. The Source RFP does not specify final equipment ownership, licensing, maintenance allocation, replacement, return, transfer, or disposal terms. Any proposed terms must be clearly stated and will be finalized in the resulting agreement.

Operational Experience

Proposers must hold applicable South Carolina professional and contractor licenses and demonstrate experience with healthcare electrical systems and occupied healthcare facilities. Describe the proposed project team, organizational structure, key personnel qualifications, locations, availability, subcontractors, technical approach, phasing strategy, risk mitigation, patient-care continuity plan, quality controls, and coordination with ECH leadership and facilities management. Provide at least three similar projects completed within the past five years. Demonstrate the ability to comply with applicable federal, state, and local requirements, NFPA, NEC, Joint Commission standards, and applicable healthcare regulations.

Billing and Pricing

Provide a detailed cost proposal separately identifying engineering and design services, project management, installation services, testing and commissioning, and other proposed services. Costs must align with grant-funded eligible activities and clearly identify all assumptions, exclusions, optional costs, additional fees, labor categories, rates, quantities, and proposed payment terms.

Project Management and Documentation

Provide a detailed project-management and documentation plan covering governance, schedule, responsible parties, phased shutdown coordination, operational-continuity controls, risk and issue management, procurement tracking, testing and commissioning, code and regulatory coordination, training, status reporting, and grant-compliant closeout. Required records include drawings and specifications, load and coordination studies, factory acceptance testing records, delivery and material tracking, inspection and test records, commissioning and functional-verification results, as-built documents, equipment manuals, warranty information, training records, final reports, and closeout documentation.

Implementation

Provide a project plan and schedule that completes all work no later than September 30, 2027. The plan must address engineering and design, procurement support, equipment delivery, phased shutdowns, rerouting and transition activities, installation, testing, commissioning, final acceptance, training, documentation, and closeout. Identify critical-path activities, dependencies, responsible parties, staffing, assumptions, risks, patient-care continuity measures, issue escalation, defect

correction, and the approach for addressing delays or missed milestones.

Terms, Conditions, and Federal Requirements

General Solicitation Conditions

- SRH may reject any or all proposals, cancel or amend the solicitation, waive minor informalities, request clarifications, negotiate, or make no award.
- All proposal preparation costs are the vendor's responsibility.
- A proposal is an offer and may be incorporated into the final contract. The executed contract and incorporated amendments will control in the event of conflict.
- Vendors must protect confidential information and clearly identify claimed proprietary information.
- SRH is not bound by oral statements or vendor assumptions not accepted in writing.
- The vendor must maintain insurance, licenses, staffing, and controls appropriate to the work and required by the final agreement.
- No work may begin before a fully executed agreement and required purchase authorization.

Federal Award Compliance

This procurement is supported by federal award or subaward funds. Before the final contract is executed, SRH Legal, Grants, and Procurement will review the contract type, total value, funding source, scope of work, award and pass-through terms, and applicable provisions of 2 CFR Part 200 to determine which federal clauses and related federal, state, and SRH requirements must be incorporated. The selected vendor must comply with all requirements identified through that review and included in the final contract.

- Documented competition and procurement integrity.
- Conflict-of-interest and organizational conflict disclosures.
- Contractor oversight, records access, retention, audit cooperation, and performance documentation.
- Cost and price analysis and disclosure necessary to establish reasonableness.
- Applicable affirmative steps supporting small, minority, women-owned, veteran-owned, and labor surplus area firms.
- Applicable domestic preference, recovered-material, debarment, telecommunications, lobbying, equal opportunity, labor, clean air and water, inventions, and termination provisions.
- Applicable contract provisions identified in 2 CFR 200.327 and Appendix II to Part 200.
- Maintenance of records supporting invoices, performance, deliverables, equipment, and grant reporting.

Flow-Downs and Contract Provisions

The selected vendor must flow down applicable federal, privacy, security, data-use, and award requirements to its subcontractors, subprocessors, and suppliers. The final contract is expected to include provisions addressing remedies, termination, applicable laws, records access, audit, privacy, security, incident notification, data ownership and permitted use, data return and destruction, AI governance when applicable, indemnification, insurance, intellectual property, warranties, service levels, deliverable acceptance, transition assistance, and applicable federal award clauses. Any exception must be identified in the Deviation Form with proposed alternative language.

Appendix A

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The proposer must meet the specifications of this RFP.

*****THIS SIGNATURE PAGE MUST BE INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSAL IN THE ORDER SPECIFIED IN THE RFP ORGANIZATION AND FORMAT SECTION*****

Do not include sales tax in the proposal because SRH is tax-exempt. SRH will provide applicable tax-exemption documentation upon request. Submit the proposal and all required supporting documents as a single PDF by email to RHTP@selfregional.org.

Proposers should identify any applicable business classification(s) in the field provided below, including small business, minority-owned, women-owned, veteran-owned, or other. If applicable, include the certifying organization or certification number. If no classification applies, enter "None."

Business Classification	**Certifying Organization or Certification Number**

By signing this proposal, the proposer represents and warrants that it has read and understands this RFP and its terms and conditions; agrees to provide the equipment, supplies, or services described below at the stated prices and in accordance with the specifications listed below or attached; and confirms that all prices and quotations will remain valid for **60 days** from the proposal submission deadline.

Company/Contractor	**Mailing Address**
Federal Tax Identification Number	**City, State, Zip Code**
Unique Entity Identifier	**Fax Number (include area code)**
Email Address	**Telephone Number (include area code)**
Authorized Representative Name & Title	**Date**
Authorized Representative Signature	

Appendix B

DEVIATION FORM

All deviations from this Solicitation must be noted on this form. If no entry is made on the Deviation Form, the proposer confirms its full agreement with and compliance with the Specifications, Terms, and Conditions.

Each response to this Solicitation must include a Deviation Form stating the prospective vendor's commitment to the provisions of this Solicitation. An individual authorized to execute contracts must sign the form. Any exception to the terms and conditions identified in this Solicitation Package must be expressly stated on the Deviation Form.

THIS DEVIATION FORM MUST BE SIGNED BY EACH PROPOSER WHETHER THERE ARE DEVIATIONS LISTED OR NOT, AND SUBMITTED WITH THIS SOLICITATION

SPEC # / Section # / Page #	Deviation(s)

_____ _____ _____

Authorized Representative Name & Title **Authorized Representative Signature** **Date**

Appendix C

CONFLICT OF INTEREST QUESTIONNAIRE

Each proposer must complete and sign this form. Disclose any actual, potential, or perceived conflict involving the proposer, its personnel, or SRH. If none exists, select "No conflict."

Proposer Legal Name	
Project / Solicitation	
Primary Contact	
Email / Telephone	

Select one:

☐ No conflict exists.

☐ A conflict or relevant relationship is disclosed below.

Individuals / Organizations Involved	
Nature of Conflict or Relationship	
Proposed Mitigation	

Certification: I certify that the information provided is complete and accurate and that the proposer will promptly disclose any change during the solicitation or contract term.

_____ _____

Authorized Representative Name & Title **Authorized Representative Signature**

_____ _____

Date **Email / Telephone**

Appendix D

CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING

Submit only if the bid or offer exceeds $100,000 and federal funds are involved.

Proposer Legal Name	
Project / Solicitation	
Grant Program, if applicable	
Solicitation / Contract Number	

Certification: The undersigned certifies, to the best of their knowledge and belief, that no federally appropriated funds have been or will be used to influence federal officials or members or employees of Congress in connection with a federal contract, grant, loan, or cooperative agreement. This certification must be included in applicable lower-tier awards, and all subrecipients must certify and disclose accordingly.

This certification is a material representation of fact and a prerequisite under 31 U.S.C. § 1352. Failure to file the required certification may result in applicable civil penalties.

Authorized Certification: The undersigned certifies that the information provided is true and accurate and is authorized to execute this certification on behalf of the proposer.

_____ _____

Authorized Representative Name & Title **Authorized Representative Signature**

_____ _____

Date **Email / Telephone**

Appendix E

INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

The selected vendor must maintain insurance appropriate to the work throughout the contract term. Coverage must be issued by insurers authorized to do business in South Carolina and acceptable to SRH.

Coverage	Minimum Requirement
Commercial General Liability, including product liability	$3,000,000 per occurrence / $5,000,000 aggregate
Medical Malpractice Professional Liability Insurance	$3,000,000 per occurrence / $5,000,000 aggregate, if applicable
Cyber / Privacy Liability	$5,000,000 per occurrence / $5,000,000 aggregate
Automobile Liability	No less than $1,000,000 per accident for bodily injury and property damage, including coverage for hired/non-owned auto exposures.
Workers' Compensation	Statutory limits and employers' liability required by law

Evidence of Coverage: Before work begins, the selected vendor must provide certificates of insurance demonstrating compliance with Appendix E and any additional insurance requirements included in the final agreement. Updated certificates must be provided upon renewal and upon SRH's request. SRH and its applicable affiliates must be named as additional insureds on liability coverage where appropriate. Coverage must be primary and noncontributory, include waiver of subrogation where permitted, and provide advance notice of cancellation or material change to the extent available under the policy.

SRH may require additional coverage or revised limits based on the nature and risk of the final scope of work. The proposer must identify any requested exception to the insurance requirements in Appendix B: Deviation Form when submitting its proposal.