

RESOLUTION FOR MEMBER PARTICIPATION
IN A COOPERATIVE PRICING SYSTEM

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE BLACK HORSE PIKE REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICT
TO ENTER INTO A COOPERATIVE PRICING AGREEMENT

RESOLUTION NUMBER BAC 1c

This certification is hereby submitted pursuant to the requirement of N.J.A.C. 5:34-9.1(b).

On behalf of the Hunterdon County Educational Services Commission (“HCEC”) and its members, I intend to solicit bids for the procurement of proprietary goods pursuant to N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-15, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-9.1.

Specifically, the HCEC, as lead agency of the State-approved cooperative pricing system, shall solicit formal bids for brand name Apple technology products that are necessary for the conduct of the affairs of some HCEC members and are of such a specialized nature that only such products will meet members’ needs.

Many HCEC members have invested heavily in terms of time, effort and funds with respect to the use of various Apple products in their respective operations and classrooms. Members who are currently utilizing Apple products on an organization-wide or similar scale require the ability to procure such proprietary products in order to maintain their current programs. Non-Apple products are not easily able to be integrated and paired with Apple-based systems and members forced to avoid purchasing proprietary Apple products will likely require a wholesale replacement of their existing technology systems.

Likewise, proprietary Apple products are necessary to some members for purposes of integration into existing operations reliant upon Apple technology and systems. It will be inefficient and detrimental to many members if they were required to use non-identical products in otherwise Apple-exclusive operations, as doing so would require conflicting training, support, and maintenance.

For the reasons set forth above, it is necessary to solicit bids for proprietary Apple technology products for those members whose needs satisfy the requirements of N.J.S.A. 18A:18A-15, N.J.S.A. 40A:11-13 and N.J.A.C. 5:34-9.1.

A copy of this certification shall be included with the bid specifications for this project.