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**ATLANTA PUBLIC SCHOOLS SELECTS ENA AS DISTRICT-WIDE
BROADBAND DATA CONNECTIVITY SERVICE PROVIDER**

***New Agreement Advances District's Mission to Provide Better Value, Service and
Accountability to City, Parents and Students***

(Nashville, TN)—May 3, 2011—Atlanta Public Schools (APS) has selected Education Networks of America, Inc., (ENA) to provide managed wide area network (WAN) data connectivity services district-wide to over 100 of their learning and administrative sites. The district's request for proposal (RFP) issued in the fall of last year required service providers to have demonstrable experience in providing WAN services to urban school districts, offer the best value for the district's requirements and maximize the federal E-Rate program that provides subsidized discounts to schools and libraries for the purchase of telecommunication and networking services. The three-year contract begins July 1, 2011.

Under the contract, ENA will ensure high-speed, reliable broadband connectivity between all district sites and the central office. The architecture of the new WAN service from ENA will integrate and improve upon all of the district's current Metro Ethernet fiber circuits. As a managed service provider, ENA will not only provision and install circuits and equipment for the enhanced service but will also maintain, support, monitor and troubleshoot the service for the life of the contract.

APS was particularly interested in contracting with a service provider that is able to meet and exceed all their network performance objectives and metrics as well as provide a superior level of district support for all operations of the WAN. ENA's managed network service approach provides the full suite of services APS demands.

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“We are delighted to service Atlanta Public Schools and help them achieve their mission of strategically managing and leveraging technology for improved outcomes,” said David Pierce, president and CEO of ENA. “We believe our 15-year experience in serving school districts, including large urban districts with E-Rate eligible connectivity and communication services, will add immediate benefits to Atlanta Public Schools. ENA looks forward to proving our commitment to delivering unbeatable service and exceptional network solutions that serve the Atlanta Public Schools K–12 community.”

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ABOUT EDUCATION NETWORKS OF AMERICA

ENA provides managed network, communication and video teleconferencing services to customers in the education, library and government sectors. ENA's scalable solutions facilitate collaboration, increase productivity and decrease the cost of information management through the convergence of data, voice and video technologies. ENA currently manages multiple statewide and district-wide education and library networks successfully serving over 5,345 end sites, 580 school districts and 230 libraries, more than 3.1 million students, teachers and administrators and more than 6.2 million librarians and patrons. Empowered by their networks, ENA's customers can focus on what matters most: preparing students, strengthening communities and leading enterprises into the 21st century. For more information, please visit www.ena.com.

ABOUT ATLANTA PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Atlanta Public Schools (APS) has an enrollment of approximately 50,000 students who attend over 100 schools and learning centers. The district's mission is to improve student achievement, increase community engagement, strategically manage and leverage technology, ensure fiscal responsibility and stability, improve efficiency and effectiveness of district processes, increase employee capacity and leadership, increase employee engagement, improve recruitment and retention of highly effective staff and build a culture of alignment and accountability. The district is one of the top-performing urban school systems in America and the only large, urban school district in the nation to have 100 percent of its elementary schools make Adequate Yearly Progress under the No Child Left Behind Act. Dr. Beverly L. Hall has served as superintendent since July 1999. For additional information, please visit the district website at www.atlanta.k12.ga.us.