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Subject: RE: Emergency Purchase Approval Request

Bryan,

Your emergency is approved. Please follow emergency purchasing procedures as found in the Handbook and follow up with documentation for award within 30 days.

Regards,
Mike

From: Rosen, Bryan D <Bryan.D.Rosen@wv.gov>
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Please see the below request for an emergency purchase of a fire alarm system at the OCME. The estimated cost is \$80,000. After speaking with Brian Pauley I support this request.

Please let me know if you need any additional information to make your determination.

Bryan

From: Pauley, Brian D <Brian.D.Pauley@wv.gov>
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Subject: Emergency Purchase Approval Request

Bryan

On behalf of the BPH-OCME, I am requesting approval for an emergency purchase order to replace the fire alarm system at the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner. The current system, EST Quickstart, is outdated and the manufacturer no longer provides parts for this particular system. The system is currently experiencing a CPU Fault error. In short, this means that the system has reached a critical fault in which can result in a system failure. While the sprinkler system may still be initiated, the system may not alert the occupants with the audible horns and visible strobes, and may not alert the monitoring company in order to contact the local fire department.

Per one vendor who came in to diagnose the problem, "The fire system is NOT in a normal/safe operational state and presents a tremendous risk exposure."

In short, once this panel finally dies, we will be non-compliant with the State Fire Code. The timeframe in which the panel may fail is unknown, as the panel has been reset, only to have the error code re-occur. It was reset one more time and so far the code has not come back. Should the system fail, the building will not be able to be occupied without a continuous fire watch from properly trained individuals. Given the role that the OCME provides, not occupying that building and performing the usual day to day tasks at the OCME is clearly not an option.

Since we are looking at replacing the entire system, the building would have to be brought up to code, which increases the cost. So we are looking at approximately \$80,000 to replace the system.

I appreciate your consideration.

Brian

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