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Indiana Superintendent of Public Instruction

TO: State Board of Education

FROM: Melissa K. Ambre, Director, Office of School Finance

RE: Common School Loan

DATE: October 3, 2014

The Office of School Finance received and evaluated applications for construction and technology advancements from the Common School Fund under I.C. 20-49-3 last May and recommended approval of a common school construction loan request from Beech Grove City Schools in the amount of \$1.5m, which was approved on June 24, 2013.

Since the original request, Beech Grove City Schools has been able to complete the project requested and has \$437,144.84 of loan funds available. The original project is described below:

Beech Grove City Schools – The project at Beech Grove High School included the following:

- Replaced the remaining classroom unit ventilators to address existing classroom learning environment
- Replaced existing rooftop air handling units which have exceeded their expected useful life and are becoming expensive to maintain
- Completed the replacement of the old pneumatic control system with a digital control system compatible with a newly installed web based system

All school facilities currently owned/leased by the school corporation are being used. Since additional funds remain and the work is at a different school building, Beech Grove City School officials request permission to pursue HVAC updates at South Grove Intermediate School. A recent citing by the Marion Co. Health Department for higher than allowed CO2 levels warrants HVAC renovations to renovate air handlers in at least four classrooms, complete duct work, and improve the control of dampers and other systems needed at South Grove Intermediate School.

Beech Grove City Schools project update at South Grove Intermediate School

Amended project request \$400,000 Recommended amount \$400,000