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Title: 2027 CIP Mechanical Equipment Pre-purchase Recommendation

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I. Background

The district will soon be out to bid for the Summer 2027 capital improvement projects. The work at Geneva High School will involve significant mechanical system replacements and improvements, including a new chiller and three air-handling units.

II. Summary

In discussions with our engineers, trade contractors and the HVAC equipment vendor, our construction team identified a potential supply chain constraint. Estimated lead times for the chiller are currently as high as 34 weeks (about 8-9 months). If we follow our project bidding plan and award trade contracts at the October meeting, there is a high probability that we will not have the equipment in time to complete our projects for the 2027 school year.

Fortunately, the District can purchase the equipment directly from the manufacturer through a publicly bid joint purchasing contract. We have identified a contract that will allow for this purchase while maintaining compliance with Illinois procurement laws. The contract in question was competitively bid via the Sourcewell Purchasing Cooperative. Final pricing for the chiller was received in the amount of \$209,779.00. Staff and District Engineers will confirm that the quotes are compliant with the terms of the purchasing contract and in line with current market trends.

III. Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board authorize the administration to issue a purchase order in the amount not to exceed \$209,779.00 to Johnson Controls Incorporated in care of Windy City Representatives, under the Sourcewell Purchasing Contract.