MEMORANDUM

TO: NWABSD Board of Education Members

DATE: November 24, 2026

NUMBER: **27-037**

FR: Office of the Superintendent Construction

SUBJECT: Award

Contract - HVAC Controls Upgrades, Phase II

STRATEGIC PLAN/BOARD GOAL:

Goal 4: Support Systems
Strategy 3: Improve School Facilities

ABSTRACT:

Board approval is required for purchases that exceed $50,000.

ISSUE:

At issue is Board approval for the contract for construction for HVAC Controls Upgrades, Phase II in an amount Not to Exceed $2,500,000.00.

BACKGROUND AND/OR PERTINENT INFORMATION:

A DEED grant to replace the controls systems in eight schools was awarded in 2024. A Borough VIF grant was awarded in 2025, providing the District's match and completing all funding needs. Selawik and Shungnak controls are being replaced with the same system under separate projects. The district is standardizing our system to streamline management, maintenance and operations. District personnel will receive factory training on the system. Alerton is the controls system currently installed in Kivalina and Buckland and will be installed through Phase I and II work. Convergint is the Alaskan Distributor for Alerton Controls systems. Convergint is under contract for Phase I which includes Ambler, Kiana, Noatak, Noorvik, and Kobuk. Phase II is for June Nelson Elementary and Kotzebue Middle High School for summer 2027 installation. District is utilizing Convergint's Sourcewell Contract, which was awarded through a nationwide competitive bid process. It is essentially a per unit contract. The Sourcewell contract allows other governmental entities to use the contract without a separate procurement. District is a member of Sourcewell and this is an acceptable contract to DEED and District legal counsel.

FUNDING SOURCE:

State of Alaska DEED Grant and Northwest Arctic Borough Village Improvement Funds (VIF)

ALTERNATIVES:

1. Approve Construction Contract for HVAC Controls Upgrades, Phase II to Convergint in an amount Not to Exceed $2,500,000.00 as presented;

2. Do not Approve Construction Contract for HVAC Controls Upgrades, Phase II to Convergint in an amount Not to Exceed $2,500,000.00 as presented;

3. Take no final action.

ADMINISTRATION'S RECOMMENDATION:

4. The administration recommends the Board Approve Construction Contract for HVAC Controls Upgrades, Phase II to Convergint in an amount Not to Exceed $2,500,000.00 as presented;

ATTACHMENT:
None