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To: Coppell ISD Board of Trustees
From: Sid Grant
Date: August 14, 2008
cc: Dr. Jeff Turner, Kelly Penny, Kevin Whitsett, Bianca de Almeida

Re: Energy Consumption Reduction Plan as Required by Senate Bill 12 and HB 3693

Effective January 1, 2005, the Board of Trustees approved "Energy Usage Guidelines" for the district as part of its newly created energy management plan and process. With the implementation, monitoring and adjustment of this program in 2005 we have enjoyed and maintained approximately a ten percent (10%) reduction in our electricity kilowatt hour usage. Although electricity rates have significantly increased over the past three years, through aggressive energy management our collective efforts have avoided over \$700,000 in electric costs through the reduction of our actual usage.

After the last state legislative session of 2007, Senate Bill 12 and HB 3693 were signed into law effectively requiring Texas schools districts to establish a Board approved goal to reduce annual electric consumption by five percent (5%) each fiscal year for the next six years. Additionally, HB 3693 requires districts to report on their websites the metered usage of electricity, water, and gas.

The attached document entitled "Energy Consumption Reduction Plan" satisfies this new legislative mandate. The Plan to be approved by the Board is supplemental to our ongoing efforts to reduce and conserve energy. Our energy manager, Bianca de Almeida, will not only continue to ensure our current Energy Usage Guidelines are closely followed, but will also ensure that we are in full compliance with the new legislation while looking for additional areas we can conserve our energy resources.

Recommendation: **That the Coppell ISD Board of Trustees approve and adopt the Energy Consumption Reduction Plan as required by 2007 legislation.**