

ECTOR COUNTY INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT
Odessa, Texas

Memorandum

TO: Board of Trustees

FROM: Tom Crowe, Superintendent of Schools

**SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR DECLARATION OF AN EMERGENCY AS A RESULT
OF THE MERCURY CONTAMINATION OF JOHN B. HOOD JUNIOR
HIGH ON MARCH 18, 2014**

DATE: April 15, 2014

As stated in CH (Legal) in the event of a catastrophe, emergency, or natural disaster affecting the District, the Board may delegate to the Superintendent or designated person the authority to contract for the replacement or repair of school equipment under Education Code Chapter 44, Subchapter B if emergency replacement or repair is necessary for the health and safety of District students and staff. Education Code 44.0312.

It is recommended that the Board of Trustees declare an emergency due to the mercury contamination of John B. Hood Junior High so that the District can make the necessary expenditures without delay as required by the normal contract methods.

Respectfully Submitted,

Tom Crowe
Superintendent of Schools

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