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**Holly M. Johnson**  
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November 5, 2020

The Honorable Rick Girdler, Co-Chairman  
The Honorable Walker Thomas, Co-Chairman  
Members of the Committee  
Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee  
Legislative Research Commission  
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

Dear Senator Girdler, Representative Thomas, and Members of the Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee:

In accordance with the provisions of KRS 45.750-800, the Finance and Administration Cabinet is reporting the attached actions involving:

**Reporting of New Pool Project in Excess of \$1,000,000**

Finance and Administration Cabinet, Facilities and Support Services - Halon System Replacement project in the amount of \$3,200,000 funded from the Department for Facilities and Support Services 2012-2014, 2016-2018, and 2018-2020 bond funded maintenance pools.

**Emergency Repair, Maintenance, or Replacement Project**

General Government, Kentucky Department of Veterans' Affairs – Emergency Replacement Nurse Call System- Western KY Veterans' Center in the amount of \$2,500,000 funded with insurance proceeds and agency restricted funds.

Please see the attached documents and let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Holly M. Johnson".

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Attachments



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November 4, 2020

Mr. Sam Ruth, Commissioner  
Department for Facilities and Support Services  
Finance and Administration Cabinet  
403 Wapping Street  
Frankfort, KY 40601

Re: Reporting a Project greater than \$1,000,000 from a Bond Funded Maintenance Pool

Dear Commissioner Ruth:

This is to inform you that approval has been given pursuant to House Bill 352, Part II, (4) for the Halon System Replacement project in the amount of \$3,200,000. This project will be funded from the department's bond funded maintenance pools.

This action will be on the agenda at the meeting of the Capital Project and Bond Oversight Committee that is currently scheduled for Thursday, November 19, 2020 at 12:00 pm in room 171 of the Capitol Annex in Frankfort. Please arrange to have someone who is familiar with this project attend the meeting to answer any questions from members of the committee.

Sincerely,

Holly M. Johnson  
Secretary

**Date:** November 4, 2020  
**Agency:** Finance – Facilities and Support Services  
**Project:** Halon System Replacement  
**Account Number:** 785-C7U2  
**Type of Action:** Reporting of Pool Project in Excess of \$1,000,000

The Secretary of Finance is reporting an allocation from the Department for Facilities and Support Services 2012-2014, 2016-2018, and 2018-2020 bond funded maintenance pools in excess of \$1,000,000. The project is the Halon System Replacement project in the amount of \$3,200,000. The project will replace the Halon System at the Cabinet for Health and Family Services office building and the Commonwealth Data Center at Cold Harbor in Frankfort with a clean agent system that meets EPA standards. The current system does not meet EPA standards, and a new fire suppression system is required to protect valuable, historical documents maintained by the Office of Vital Statistics as well as computer equipment at the Commonwealth Data Center.



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## MEMORANDUM

DATE: October 26, 2020

TO: Secretary Holly M. Johnson  
Finance and Administration Cabinet

FROM: Commissioner Sam Ruth   
Department for Facilities and Support Services

RE: Pool Project exceeding \$1,000,000

In accordance with the 2018-2020 biennial budget act, please accept this memorandum as a request to report to CPBOC a capital project greater than \$1,000,000 funded from a pool. The project will make necessary repairs the Halon System at the CHR campus in Frankfort in the amount of \$3,200,000.00.

The project is funded from a combination the Department for Facilities and Support Services 2012-14, 2016-18 2018-20 Maintenance Pool accounts.

Thank you for your consideration of this request, and please contact me with any questions you may have about this project.

C: Carla Wright  
Kenny Hobbs  
Jennifer Linton







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November 5, 2020

Mr. Keith L. Jackson, Commissioner  
Kentucky Department of Veterans' Affairs  
1111 Louisville Rd Ste B  
Frankfort, Kentucky 40601

Dear Mr. Jackson:

This letter is to inform you that approval has been given pursuant to KRS 45.750 (1) (g) for an Emergency Repair, Maintenance, or Replacement project in the amount of \$2,500,000 for the Emergency Replacement Nurse Call System-Western KY Veterans' Center project at the Kentucky Department of Veterans' Affairs. This project will replace the nurse call system that was struck by lightning on October 23, 2020. The project will be funded with insurance proceeds through the Fire and Tornado Fund and agency Restricted Funds.

This action will be on the agenda of the Capital Projects Bond Oversight Committee currently scheduled for November 19, 2020 at 12:00 pm in Room 171, Capitol Annex. Please have a representative familiar with this project in attendance for any related question the committee may have.

Sincerely,

Holly M. Johnson  
Secretary

**Date:** November 5, 2020  
**Agency:** Kentucky Department of Veterans' Affairs  
**Project:** Emergency Replacement Nurse Call System – Western KY Veterans' Center  
**Account Number:** Not yet established  
**Type of Action:** Emergency Repair, Maintenance, or Replacement Project

The Secretary of the Finance and Administration Cabinet has approved an Emergency Repair, Maintenance and Replacement capital project, Emergency Replacement Nurse Call System-Western KY Veterans' Center, for the Kentucky Department of Veterans' Affairs, pursuant to KRS 45.750 (1) (g). The project appropriation is \$2,500,000 and is funded with insurance proceeds and agency Restricted Funds. The project will replace the nurse call system that was struck by lightning that occurred on October 23, 2020 at approximately 2pm. The Nurse Call System is to alert medical staff to a variety of resident's distress or urgent needs.



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11/05/2020

Holly M. Johnson  
Secretary of the Finance and Administrative Cabinet  
Room 383 Capital Annex  
Frankfort, KY 40601

RE: Emergency Replacement Nurse Call System at Western Kentucky Veterans Center

Dear Secretary Johnson:

Pursuant to KRS 45.750 (1)(g), the Kentucky Department of Veterans' Affairs requests approval for an Emergency repair, maintenance, and replacement for the Emergency Replacement Nurse Call System-Western KY Veterans' Center in the amount of \$2,500,000. The Western KY Veterans' Center nurse call system experienced a lightning strike on October 23, 2020, which caused extensive damage to our Nurse Call System rendering our Community Living Center's (CLC) Nurse Call System inoperable. The function of the Nurse call System is to alert medical staff to a variety of resident's distress or urgent needs.

The Office of the Inspector General, per regulation, has been notified and will be continually monitoring our progress until the system is fully restored.

This project will be funded with insurance proceeds and agency Restricted Funds.

The Kentucky Department of Veterans' Affairs has been working with the Finance and Administration Cabinet's Department for Facilities Support Services on the replacement of the Nurse Call System for the Western KY Veterans Center, Eastern KY Veterans Center and Thomson Hood Veterans Center as the systems are obsolete.

The Western Kentucky Veterans Center, which was damaged as a result of the lightning strike, is currently operating our life safety Nurse Call System manually.

Sincerely,

DocuSigned by:

*Keith L. Jackson*

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Keith L. Jackson

Lieutenant Colonel, US Army (Ret)  
Commissioner



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