

**MEMORANDUM
DEPARTMENT OF FACILITY SERVICES
COUNTY OF PLACER**

To: **BOARD OF SUPERVISORS**

Date: **NOVEMBER 02, 2010**

From:  **JAMES DURFEE / JOEL SWIFT**

Subject: **RATIFY EMERGENCY PURCHASE WITH INDUSTRIAL ELECTRONIC
SYSTEMS, INC. INVOICE 46451 & 46530**

ACTION REQUESTED / RECOMMENDATION: Ratify the emergency purchase and installation of a Fire Control Panel from Industrial Electronic Systems, Inc., 3250 Monier Circle Suite F, Rancho Cordova, CA in the amount of \$14,952.

BACKGROUND: In July 2010, the Placer County Fire Applications Technician began receiving trouble alarms from the Fire Control Panel located at the Auburn Juvenile Hall Facility. After the technician inspected and tested the panel it was determined that the CPU (central processing unit) in the Fire Control Panel was beginning to fail. A failed Fire Control Panel would most likely cause a catastrophic failure leaving the Auburn Juvenile Hall Facility without any electronic fire protection. If the panel had failed the staff working in this facility would have had to go on 24 hour fire watch until the new panel was installed.

The unanticipated failure of the Fire Control Panel at the Auburn Juvenile Hall Facility constituted an emergency purchase as defined in Section 1.3 (m) of the County Purchasing Policy Manual. With Procurement's assistance, Facility Services solicited three proposals from fire alarm contractors to have a new panel installed. IES was awarded the project by Procurement for this emergency purchase. An emergency purchase over \$5,000 requires ratification by the Board of Supervisors pursuant to County Purchasing Policy Manual Section 2.2 (c).

FISCAL IMPACT: The outstanding invoices for the Fire Control Panel purchase at the Auburn Juvenile Hall Facility are \$14,952. All costs associated with this upgrade will be paid by the Probation Department.

CC: COUNTY EXECUTIVE OFFICE
PROCUREMENT

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