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SCHOOL BOARD COMMUNICATION

Title:	Alaska Energy Authority Biomass Project		
Date:	July 9, 2012	Item Number:	10a.(8)
Administrator:	Steve Atwater, Ph.D. Superintendent of Schools <i>Steve Atwater</i>		
Attachments:			

Action Needed For Discussion Information Other: _____

BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Last July you heard a presentation by the US Forest Service on the feasibility of installing a biomass fueled heating system at Seward schools. The district submitted an application with the Alaska Energy Authority for a grant to fund the design of such a system. Our application was not funded.

The 2014 Round 6 funding cycle application for projects like this is now open. The administration wants you to be aware of this and to support resubmitting an application. The cost for a consultant to assist with the application last year was \$8,500. Because we can use the same application with some minor changes, we expect that the cost will be much lower this time.

The administration would need to work with the borough administration to secure their level of support prior to proceeding.

ADMINISTRATIVE RECOMMENDATION

Approve district administration working with the borough administration to resubmit the grant application with the Alaska Energy Authority to secure funds for a biomass fueled furnace for our Seward schools.
