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Randolph Southern School Corporation Energy Conservation Efforts Result in Utility Bill Savings

Lynn, Indiana (March 10, 2009). The Randolph Southern School Board of Trustees will receive their annual energy savings report at its regular board meeting Tuesday evening from Performance Services, Inc. Highlights in the report noted a cumulative reduction in energy costs and an improved learning environment. Tim Thoman, President, and Shana Lopez, Performance Assurance Analyst with Performance Services, presented the report.

School buildings included in this project are the Randolph Southern Jr.-Sr. High School and Randolph Elementary School. Actual energy savings for the 2-year period was \$86,085 and exceeded the guarantee amount by 11 percent. In addition, 843 metric tons of greenhouse gas was eliminated to benefit the environment.

The school district implemented a guaranteed energy savings contract project to evaluate energy performance. The project included switching from electric to gas heat, adding new variable frequency drives to the main Air Handlers, and upgrading the controls and programming sequences. Through more effective use of digital controls and programming, the school district was able to bring in more fresh air and still achieve energy savings. A new web-based digital controls workstation provided the school system with the ability to remotely monitor and optimize classroom and facility temperatures with school occupancy. Scott Dingess, Randolph Southern School Corporation Director of Maintenance leads the building management efforts at the school district.

“Right now, districts throughout the state are trying to cope with budgetary strain; investing in people and processes in order to reduce expenses is our corporation goal. It is satisfying to know that the choices we have made have lessened our energy usage and cost. We will continue to search for new and innovative ways to conserve as much energy as possible,” said Michael Necessary, Superintendent.

“Working in collaboration with the Randolph Southern School Corporation to improve their building’s learning environment for students and staff, lower the school’s energy costs, and reduce carbon emissions and pollutions through reduced energy usage, has been very rewarding. Randolph Southern’s efforts to create efficiencies in order to lower their long term operating costs shows prudence and foresight in these difficult economic times.” said Tim Thoman, President of Performance Services, an ENERGY STAR partner.

Performance Services is an Indiana-based design build company that specializes in new construction and renovating schools to deliver optimal learning environments through both the Guaranteed Savings Contract and Design-Build procurement methods. The company has provided energy solutions to K-12 schools for 10 years and is the leading service provider of guaranteed energy savings projects and ENERGY STAR labeled schools in Indiana. To learn more about earning the ENERGY STAR and for a complete list of ENERGY STAR labeled schools, visit www.performanceservices.com

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