The State of North Carolina approved “performance contracting” for energy improvements more than ten years ago for school buildings K through 12 and Community Colleges, but excluded State owned buildings. In 2003 the Legislature approved performance contracting for State owned buildings.

An Action Item was approved at the April 7, 2005 meeting of this Board of Trustees as follows: “That the Board of Trustees of The University of North Carolina at Greensboro approve the firm of Trane Comfort Solutions through Brady Trane Co. of Greensboro, NC as the ESCO to proceed with the investment grade audit”.

The engineering company that has been conducting the Investment Grade Audit of our facilities has completed their work and sent their report to the ESCO. The ESCO is in the process of reviewing the report and will schedule a presentation of the report as soon as the review is completed. Unofficial communication with the ESCO indicates that the savings falls within the 10% limits of the preliminary investigation and will result in a viable energy saving project for UNCG.

The next step will be for UNCG to review the report for approval and begin the contract process that will authorize the work portion of the project.

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