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MEMORANDUM

TO: Senator Phil Berger, President Pro-Tempore of the Senate
Representative Tim Moore, Speaker of the House of Representatives

FROM: Thomas Cheek, Assistant State Budget Officer for Statewide and Infrastructure
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SUBJECT: Expenditures for Emergency Capital Projects --- NC Central University

In accordance with G.S. 120-76.1 the following expenditures were approved without consulting the Joint Legislative Commission on Governmental Operations because of an emergency that posed an imminent threat to public health or public safety.

North Carolina Central University: Emergency Capital Improvement Declaration

Emergency Justification for repair of NCCU campus steam system leaks

The University's steam system is currently experiencing significant underground leaks with steam escaping through manhole covers in areas that see high pedestrian traffic (the covers are located in highly circulated sidewalks), as well as producing excessive water hammering due to a malfunctioning steam pressure reducing station inside a building, causing a potential for rupture. This has become an immediate health issue, and needs to be addressed as soon as possible.

The current conditions have been reviewed by Affiliated Engineers, Inc. (AEI) and they have provided an estimate. Based on this estimate, and current market conditions, total repair cost are being estimated at \$1.5 million with the emergency repair portion estimated at \$250,000. The emergency repairs will address the steam leaks in the affected manholes and the steam pressure reducing station in the building's mechanical room.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at 919-807-4738.

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