

**Addendum No. 4 to IFB #25-76**



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To: All Parties on Record with the City of Somerville as Holding IFB #25-76  
Replacement of Brown School Boilers

From: Logan J. Carroll

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Re: Questions and Answers

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**Question 1:** Who did the City purchase the boilers from?

**Answer:** F.W. Webb.

**Question 2:** Is the internal flue in the existing chimney removed from the scope of work?

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question 3:** What was the determination regarding the condensate return line replacement/repair?

**Answers:**

1. The scope of work has been updated to remove all repairs/replacements of the condensate return (CR) lines that exist outside of the boiler room.
2. The Contractor is still responsible for all CR repairs/replacements to the CR lines inside the boiler room, including the CR reconfiguration that is needed to facilitate the installation of the new CRT and relocated BFT.

**Question 4:** Are the existing boiler flues to be abandoned?

**Answer:** Yes. The Contractor will demo the existing boiler flues inside the boiler room and cap the chimney breaching.

**Question 5:** Due to overhead piping in the boiler room, there isn't enough clearance to have the boiler flue exit the building through the existing window opening on the south wall. How should that be handled?

**Answer:** There is another existing window opening on the east wall of the boiler room (closed off with plywood) directly around the corner from the south wall opening, where the fresh air intake enters the building. There is space above the fresh air intake, so the boiler flue can exit the building there.

**Question 6:** Does the opening covered by plywood on the east wall of the boiler room also open into the original ash area?

**Answer:** Yes.

**Question 7:** Will the vertical section of the boiler flue rise above the tallest portion of the building?

**Answer:** The Contractor will furnish and install the new boiler flue so that it rises to a height above the roof edge or roof line that meets current building code.

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**Question 8:** Is the City trying to change the BMS?

**Answer:** Not as part of this project.

**Question 9:** What's the point of disconnection for the boilers?

**Answer:** The existing steam header is less than the minimum 24" above the water level of the boilers. Contractor to correct this by raising the existing header to 24" or more above the boiler water level. There are flanged and threaded pipe connections above the boiler that are logical disconnect points. If these 2 connections are too low to allow raising of the steam header to the proper height, the Contractor will modify these connections as needed.

**Question 10:** Can the Contractor use the restrooms in the building, or do we need to supply a porta potty?

**Answer:** The Contractor can use the adult restroom in the school building. The adult restroom on the basement level is adjacent to the basement Custodian's Office.