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To: Budget Committee & County Commission
From: Robert Schmidt
Subject: Backup Generator

Due to a high voltage event the backup generator at the Blount County Health Department is no longer operation and needs repair.

This generator is vital to the maintaining the vaccines stored at the Blount County Health Department. In the event of a power failure the generator supplies power to vaccine freezers and coolers. The Blount County Health Department has 2,500 doses of various vaccines on hand at any time. The loss of vaccine would be a fiscal and public health burden, having a stable backup power supplies further limits the risk of loss.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

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