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ABM to Save South Carolina's Anderson County School District 2 and 3 over \$6 Million

Anderson County School District 2 and 3 Selects ABM's Bundled Energy Solutions Program to Provide Facility Improvements to Enhance Students' Learning Environment

NEW YORK, March 16, 2016 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- <u>ABM</u> (NYSE:ABM), a leading provider of facility solutions, announced its ABM Building Solutions business has been selected by Anderson County School District 2 and District 3 in South Carolina to implement comprehensive infrastructure improvements through ABM's Bundled Energy Solutions program. The customized solution, developed by ABM will provide energy efficient upgrades and facility enhancements to eleven schools within Anderson County. The projects, which began in Fall 2015 and will be completed in Summer 2016, are estimated to save Anderson School District 2 and District 3 more than \$6 million in energy and operating costs over a 15-year period.

<u>ABM's Bundled Energy Solutions Program</u> is designed as a financial solution to meet clients' technical facility needs and sustainability goals. For ABM, the goal is to drive costs out of a client's operating budget, allowing savings to be reallocated to fund critical facility needs.

<u>View an infographic</u> on how ABM is building value for educational facilities through its Bundled Energy Solutions Program.

Anderson County School District 3 will be working alongside ABM to provide infrastructure upgrades within its three elementary schools, the middle school, the high school and the Board of Education building. In addition to the HVAC system upgrades, installation of LED lighting, energy efficient transformers and water conservation measures, facility and deferred maintenance improvements include:

- New HVAC units including chiller, boiler and unit ventilators within Crescent High School ninth grade wing and Starr Elementary School kindergarten wing
- Utilization of global plasma solution (GPS) technology in Crescent High School ninth grade wing, Starr Elementary School kindergarten wing and Iva Elementary School gym to improve indoor air quality and to reduce humidity challenges in the gym
- PC power management software will be installed on the school district's computing network and will help to maximize savings while avoiding loss of productivity

"Due to limited funds, we have not been able to make needed improvements to the students' learning environment as our primary focus has been on enhancing the curriculum we provide to our students each year," said Dr. Mason Gary, Superintendent for Anderson School District 3. "With ABM's solution we don't have to select between student-focused initiatives and improving our infrastructure."

Anderson School District 3 will also be taking advantage of the SouthCarolinaSAVES™ Green Community Program which affords low interest rate financing for energy efficiency in South Carolina business, institutional and government properties. The program's funding may be used to purchase and install energy-efficient fixtures and retrofits, renewable energy systems, water conservation measures and other qualifying conservation measures including lighting, HVAC, controls, envelope and process improvement upgrades. The federal subsidy from this program will decrease the interest rate for the Anderson School District 3 project to a rate of less than 2% for 15 years. This will result in over \$900,000 in interest savings for the life of the program.

Within Anderson County School District 2, energy and facility improvements will be made to the school district's three elementary schools, two middle schools, and the high school building as well as the primary school. The comprehensive infrastructure upgrade and modernization of the district's school buildings include:

- Replacement of heating, ventilating and air conditioning (HVAC) systems and control upgrades
- Replacement of existing lighting with LED lighting
- Installation of energy efficient transformers
- Implementation of water conservation measures by installing low flow plumbing fixtures and retrofitting kitchen sinks with pedal valves

Installation of electric hand dryers throughout the district's buildings to reduce waste and lower facility costs

Supporting Quotations

"We are looking to take a proactive approach to making needed infrastructure improvements; however, we are also looking for general fund relief," said Dr. Richard Rosenberger, Superintendent for Anderson School District 2. "ABM delivered a solution that will allow us to achieve this goal and the savings are guaranteed for life of the program."

"ABM is proud to support South Carolina's Anderson County School District 2 and District 3 with their commitment to provide quality education for the students in their communities. We are dedicated to improving Anderson's students' learning environments through upgraded lighting, improved indoor air quality and enhancing the overall sustainability of the buildings," said Scott Giacobbe, President of ABM Building & Energy Solutions. "Our financial solution offers a way for the school districts to make needed infrastructure improvements so that their students can continue to thrive in an improved learning environment."

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