

Hampden County, Massachusetts says energy-efficiency improvements to its Hall of Justice will cut the building's utility bill almost in half. The \$2.7 million project will be paid for by energy savings over 10 years. CES/Way International, the project contractor, will guarantee the energy savings as part of its performance-based contract. Annual savings are expected to reach \$350,000. The quarter-million square foot Hall of Justice has served as the county seat since its construction in 1974. Renovations will include converting the electric heating system to gas and updating thousands of lighting fixtures to energy-efficient T-8 lamps. The one-year project will begin in early 1997.