

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Mary Markley Residence Hall
Fire Alarm System Upgrade and Elevator Replacement

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

Constructed in 1959, Mary Markley is a 298,000 gross square foot, six-story residence hall with 1,176 beds. The existing fire alarm system has reached the end of its useful life and two of the original elevators are requiring increased maintenance and showing decreased reliability. The proposed fire alarm system will meet all current codes and standards, including those set by the Americans with Disabilities Act, and there will be a significant increase in the number of resident rooms outfitted to alert the hearing impaired. The elevator replacement project will replace the two original elevators and upgrade the hoistway and machine room to meet current codes and standards. The scope of the project includes the architectural, mechanical and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. There will be no impact on parking from this project.

The estimated cost of this project is \$2,500,000. Funding will be provided from University Housing resources. The construction cash flow may be provided, all or in part, by increasing the commercial paper issuance under the commercial paper program, secured by a pledge of General Revenues, and authorized by the Regents. Construction is scheduled to be completed in Summer 2004.

We recommend that the Regents approve the Mary Markley Residence Hall - Fire Alarm System Upgrade and Elevator Replacement project as described, and authorize issuing the project for bids and awarding construction contracts providing that bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,



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APPROVED BY THE REGENTS ON

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