THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: College of Engineering
       Computer Science and Engineering Building

Action Requested: Authorization to Issue the Project for Bids and Award Construction Contracts

Background

In April 2003, the Regents approved the schematic design for the Computer Science and Engineering Building. We propose the project be bid in phases in order to compress the overall project design and construction schedule. The early phases of the project will include site preparation, excavation, and earth retention and subsequent phases will allow completion of the project.

A 102,000 gross square foot state-of-the-art instructional and academic building will be constructed. The facility will have four floors and a penthouse for mechanical equipment. The building will be connected to the North Campus Chiller Plant, that is being proposed in a separate action request at the September 2003 meeting, to provide for air-conditioning. Approximately 56,000 net square feet of space will house computer science instructional space, information technology labs, student learning spaces, research labs, and faculty offices for the College of Engineering’s Department of Electrical Engineering and Computer Science.

We estimate an additional 25 parking spaces for faculty and staff will be needed upon project completion. In addition, the project will eliminate approximately 7 parking spaces. The 32 total spaces needed for this project will be accommodated by the University’s north campus parking expansion plans.

The estimated cost of the project is $40,000,000, including the capital contribution to the North Campus Chiller Plant project. Funding will be provided from College of Engineering reserves and gifts. 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 begin in Fall 2003 and be completed in Winter 2006.

We recommend the Regents authorize issuing the College of Engineering, Computer Science and Engineering Building project for bids and awarding construction contracts providing that bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,

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