Subject: Edward Henry Kraus Building
Replace Elevators 1 and 3

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:
Constructed in 1914, the Kraus Building contains six stories and approximately 192,000 gross square feet. Elevators 1 and 3 are over forty years old and require increased maintenance and are showing decreased reliability. The proposed project will replace these two traction elevators and will upgrade the hoistway and machine room to meet current codes and standards. The scope of this 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 the project is $735,000. Funding will be provided from General Fund 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. The University of Michigan, Plant Extension – Architecture, Engineering and Construction will design the project. Construction is scheduled to be completed in Summer 2005.

We recommend that the Regents approve the Edward Henry Kraus Building - Replace Elevators 1 and 3 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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