Subject: University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers
University Hospital Chiller Replacement – FY2006

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

In November 2000, the Regents approved the University Hospital Chiller Replacement Project, phase one of a multi-phase plan to replace the existing chillers and associated equipment as well as increase the cooling capacity and improve system reliability within the University Hospital chiller plant. In October 2001, the Regents approved the next phase, the University Hospital Chiller Replacement – FY 2002. These first two phases have been completed and we are now seeking approval for the next phase of chiller replacement work. This project will replace the third major chiller supporting the Hospital and adjacent facilities. 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 $3,100,000. Funding will be provided from Hospitals and Health Centers’ 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 engineering firm of Wolf Wineman Associates will design the project. Construction is scheduled to be completed in Spring 2007.

We recommend that the Regents approve the University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers University Hospital Chiller Replacement – FY2006 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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