THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

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ITEM FOR INFORMATION

Subject: Fiscal Year 2012 Capital Outlay Submission All Campuses

Background:

In December 2010, the University of Michigan submitted to the State of Michigan the capital outlay request and five-year master plan for the Ann Arbor, Dearborn, and Flint campuses for the 2012 fiscal year. The master plan includes information on the university's mission, instructional programming, staffing and enrollment data, facility condition assessment, master planning, and major projects anticipated over the next five years. Each year, the university has the opportunity to update information and amend the plan as needs and priorities change. Any project accepted by the state for funding requires an action request approved by the Board of Regents.

As part of the capital outlay request, the Ann Arbor campus submitted one project, for the construction of a new building for the School of Nursing, estimated to cost \$50 million. The School of Nursing is a top-ranked, world-recognized program committed to improving the health and well-being of patients and communities through a combination of education, research, practice, and service. The school, however, continues to be severely challenged in fulfilling its academic and research mission by its current facility, which was constructed as a hospital in 1913 and purchased by the university in 1977. Construction of a new 80,000 gross square foot facility for the School of Nursing is essential to the school's ability to meet its core mission and to meet the growing demand for highly-skilled nurses in the future.

The Dearborn Campus submitted one project that includes the renovation of the Science Building and the Computer Information Science Building, both original to the 1959 campus and that share building infrastructure. The Science Building is in need of complete rehabilitation for the steadily-growing Department of Natural Sciences that will allow new research technology and instruction methods to continue collaboration with the College of Engineering and Computer Science in the emerging nano-science area. The Computer Information Science Building houses the Computer Information Science department. A renovation is planned that will allow students to pursue advanced research in computer science laboratories and classrooms. The estimated cost of this project is \$51 million.

The Flint Campus submitted one project, the renovation of classrooms and faculty offices on the fifth and sixth floor of the French Hall classroom building, estimated to cost \$6.3 million. The first, second, and third floors of French Hall were renovated in a state-funded project approved in 2006. This project includes upgrading the remainder of the facility to create a state-of-the-art classroom building to enhance student learning and meet the instructional needs of faculty.

Over the years, the State of Michigan has made significant and strategic investments through the capital outlay program at all three University of Michigan campuses. Support through its capital outlay programs has been crucial to our efforts in providing an exemplary learning, teaching, and research environment, and we look forward to future opportunities to partner with the State of Michigan.

Respectfully submitted,

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