THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Approved by the Regents May 20, 2010

<u>Subject</u> :	University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers
	University Hospital
	Emergency Department Expansion

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The Emergency Department at University Hospital has experienced steady and significant growth, with over 77,000 patient visits in fiscal year 2009. The combination of increased patient volume, increased case complexity requiring more time, and high inpatient occupancy rates within University Hospital has resulted in crowded conditions within the department. To reduce patient wait times and improve customer service, this project will expand the Emergency Department space.

A multi-phased project is planned, beginning with the renovation of 6,400 gross square feet of recently vacated space on level 2 of the Medical Inn Building to accommodate the Hospital Dentistry department currently located on level B1 of University Hospital. A renovation of approximately 22,500 gross square feet on level B1 of University Hospital will create 26 treatment bays, 6 enclosed triage rooms, 2 family consultation rooms, as well as expanded and improved patient reception areas for the Emergency Department. This renovation also includes the relocation and expansion of the Psychiatry Emergency Service to space adjacent to the Emergency Department. The scope of this project includes the architectural, mechanical and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. A Certificate of Need from the State of Michigan Department of Community Health will be required for this project. There will be no impact on parking from this project.

The estimated cost of the project is \$17,700,000. 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 Board of Regents. The architectural firm of Hobbs and Black Associates, Inc. will design the project. A phased construction schedule is planned in order to minimize disruption to patient care, with construction scheduled to be completed in the winter of 2012.

<u>We recommend</u> that the Board of Regents authorize issuing the University of Michigan Hospitals and Health Centers University Hospital Emergency Department Expansion project as described, authorize commissioning the architectural firm of Hobbs and Black Associates, Inc. for its design, and authorize issuing the project for bids and awarding construction contracts providing that bids are within the approved budget.

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Respectfully submitted,

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