## THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

## **ACTION REQUEST**

Approved by the Regents September 16, 2010

Subject:

Michigan Stadium

Permanent Field Lights

Action

Requested:

Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

During late afternoon football games, temporary lighting has been used at Michigan Stadium to illuminate the field. The Department of Intercollegiate Athletics plans to host a night hockey game at the stadium in December 2010, and a night football game in September 2011. It is expected that the demands for field lighting will continue to increase over time. This project will provide permanently-mounted lighting at the stadium, with the benefits of increased quality of illumination, greater reliability, and improved aesthetics. The scope of this project includes the architectural, mechanical and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements.

The estimated cost of the project is \$1,800,000. Funding will be provided from Athletic Department 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 HNTB Michigan Architecture, Inc. will design the project. Construction is scheduled to be completed in the fall of 2010.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the Michigan Stadium, Permanent Field Lights 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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