

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Herbert H. Dow and G.G. Brown Buildings  
Laboratory and Office Renovations

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

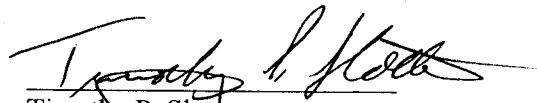
The Department of Biomedical Engineering will soon move to their new laboratories in the Carl A. Gerstacker Building. The vacated space within the G.G. Brown Building will be renovated for wet laboratories and faculty offices to meet expanded program needs within the Chemical Engineering Department (ChE). Existing ChE laboratories and offices on the third floor of the Herbert H. Dow Building (Dow) will also be updated, while two large shared labs and faculty and graduate student offices will be created on the second level for the Materials Science and Engineering Department.

The area of impact includes approximately 25,700 gross square feet on the second and third floors and penthouse of the G.G. Brown Building, and on the roof and first, second and third floors of the Dow Building. The project will include the standard distribution of plumbing, chilled water, ventilation, fire protection, lighting, power, telecommunications and the structural and architectural work to accomplish these. Changes to the existing infrastructure include ductwork to connect new fume hoods to the existing system. We do not anticipate any impact on parking, since post-construction staff for this facility will be equal to pre-construction levels.

The estimated cost of this project is \$3,100,000. Funding will be provided by the College of Engineering. 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 will start in November 2002 and will be completed by winter 2004.

We recommend that the Regents approve the Herbert H. Dow and G.G. Brown Buildings Laboratory and Office Renovations 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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Interim Chief Financial Officer

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APPROVED BY THE REGENTS ON

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