THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Approved by the Regents

December 18, 2008

Subject:

Engineering Programs Building

Addition

Action

Requested:

Approval of Project and Authorization to Appoint an Architect

Background:

The College of Engineering's multi-disciplinary approach to education has led to the need for student team project space. Currently the Wilson Student Team Project Center is the location for the production and development of student projects, many of which will be entered in national competitions. Due to an increase in the number of student teams, the center requires additional space for project teams currently housed off-campus. To address this problem, the College of Engineering proposes a 10,000 gross square foot addition to the Engineering Programs Building located on North Campus (see attached map). The new space, to be constructed on the east side of the Engineering Programs Building, will allow the Wilson Student Team Project Center to add new technology and support space that will be a flexible workplace to facilitate design and construction in a collaborative setting. 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 \$4,800,000. Funding will be provided from College of Engineering 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 architectural firm of Integrated Design Solutions, LLC will design the project. Design is scheduled to begin immediately, and we will return with a construction schedule when we seek approval of schematic design.

<u>We recommend</u> that the Regents approve the Engineering Programs Building Addition project as described and authorize commissioning Integrated Design Solutions, LLC for its design.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chief Financial Officer

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