## THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

## **ACTION REQUEST**

Subject:

Chemistry Building

Renovations for Biophysics Research Division

Action

Requested:

Approval to Proceed with Project

## Background:

The Laboratory for Single Molecule Spectroscopy will be established as part of the Michigan Life Sciences Corridor and located in the Biophysics Research Division in the Chemistry Building. The project includes relocation of laboratories from the 300 North Ingalls Building (NIB) to the Chemistry Building, to facilitate interaction with other faculty involved in single molecule spectroscopy.

The project encompasses 9,700 gross square feet of the third and fourth floors of the Chemistry Building. Standard laboratory distribution of services such as gas and compressed air, de-ionized water, and fire protection and telecommunication systems will be installed. We anticipate no impact on parking associated with this renovation.

The estimated cost of the project is \$965,000. The funding for the project will be provided by: Michigan Life Sciences Corridor fund, Office of the Provost, Office of the Vice President for Research and the Biophysics Research Division. The University of Michigan Plant Extension Department will design the project. Construction is scheduled to begin this month, pending approval, with a construction duration of seven months and an anticipated completion date in late Fall 2001.

We recommend that the Regents approve the Chemistry Building Renovations for Biophysics Research Division project as described, and authorize issuing the project for bids and awarding a construction contract providing that bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,

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Executive Vice President and Chief Financial Officer

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