THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Approved by the Regents
March 17, 2006

Subject: Earl V. Moore Building
          Corridor Ceiling and Lighting Upgrades

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The Earl V. Moore Building, built in 1963, is home to the School of Music. The facility is 140,000 gross square feet of space consisting of concert halls, teaching studios, classrooms, and offices. The finishes and lights of the corridors are original to the building, and after 40 years of wear are in need of renewal. This project will replace the ceilings with a new system of accessible tile with better acoustical properties, and will replace the lights with units that enhance the ambience and provide substantially greater energy efficiency. The project will also address noise isolation of performance spaces while the ceilings are down and the spaces are accessible. 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 $900,000. Funding will be provided from General Fund 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 Ann Arbor Architects Collaborative will design the project. Construction is scheduled to be completed in Fall 2006.

We recommend that the Regents approve the Earl V. Moore Building Corridor Ceiling and Lighting Upgrades 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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Chief Financial Officer

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