Subject: Engineering Programs Building
First Floor Instructional Learning Center

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The College of Engineering proposes to create new teaching and learning centers for introductory engineering courses within the Engineering Programs Building. A renovation of approximately 5,000 gross square feet on the first floor will reconfigure existing office, laboratory and classroom spaces to create two new learning laboratory spaces, one for both Naval Architecture and Marine Engineering and Aerospace Engineering, and the second for Civil Engineering. 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 $1,200,000. 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 University of Michigan Department of Architecture, Engineering and Construction will design the project. A phased construction schedule is planned in order to minimize disruption to the academic calendar with construction to be completed in Winter 2009.

We recommend that the Regents approve the Engineering Programs Building First Floor Instructional Learning Center 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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