Subject: North Campus Research Complex Building 80 Switchgear Replacement

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

Building 80 on the North Campus Research Complex (NCRC) is the powerhouse that provides electrical power, steam, chilled water, and other utilities to most NCRC buildings. This project will replace primary electrical switchgear equipment that is approximately 50-years-old and has exceeded its useful service life and become difficult and costly to maintain. 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 $3,100,000. Funding will be provided from Medical School resources. The construction cash flow may be provided, all or in part, by bond proceeds or increasing the commercial paper issuance under the commercial paper program, secured by a pledge of General Revenues, and authorized by the Board of Regents. The architectural firm of Harley Ellis Devereaux will design the project. The project is expected to provide an average of 8 on-site construction jobs. The University of Michigan Department of Architecture, Engineering and Construction will manage the construction of the project. Construction is scheduled to be completed in the summer of 2014.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the North Campus Research Complex Building 80 Switchgear Replacement 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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