ACTION REQUEST

Subject: W.K. Kellogg Institute and Dental Building
Information Technology Infrastructure Upgrade

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The W. K. Kellogg Institute and Dental Building were built in 1940 and 1969, respectively. Together they total approximately 378,000 gross square feet of space housing research laboratories, classrooms, clinics and offices for the School of Dentistry. A review of the buildings' information technology infrastructure completed in 2005 by the University's Information Technology Communication Services department found it to be inadequate to support the instructional, research, and patient care missions of the school. This project will replace all wiring that does not meet current standards with state of the art cabling, and upgrade all network components to provide both wired and wireless high-speed network access throughout the buildings. 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 $4,500,000. Funding will be provided from investment proceeds. 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 Summer 2010.

We recommend that the Regents approve the W.K. Kellogg Institute and Dental Building Information Technology Infrastructure Upgrade 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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