Subject: Clarence Cook Little Science Building
Third and Fifth Floor Geology Laboratories and Offices

Action
Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The College of Literature, Science, and the Arts proposes to create new laboratory space and update an existing laboratory suite in the Clarence Cook Little Science Building that will support the research of new faculty in the Department of Geology. A renovation of approximately 7,300 gross square feet of space is planned. Existing office and storage spaces on the third floor will be reconfigured to provide more efficient office space, and an existing student office suite will be reconfigured to provide high-pressure preparation laboratory space. An existing laser laboratory on the fifth floor will also be updated. 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 Literature, Science, and the Arts 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 Board of Regents. The University of Michigan Department of Architecture, Engineering and Construction will design the project. Construction is scheduled to be completed in the spring of 2010.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the Clarence Cook Little Science Building Laboratories and Offices for the Department of Geology 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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