Subject: Michigan Stadium

Action Requested: Approval of Close Proximity Fireworks Displays

Background:

The Department of Intercollegiate Athletics is hosting football games at Michigan Stadium with Miami University on September 13, 2014, and Pennsylvania State University on October 11, 2014. To further enhance the fan experience for these important games, the department proposes to hold close proximity fireworks displays as part of the event production. The displays will be performed from the field and from the rooftops of the east and west towers of the stadium.

ACE Pyro has been selected to produce the fireworks show. ACE Pyro has provided the university’s fire marshal, Department of Intercollegiate Athletics, Office of Risk Management Services, and Division of Public Safety and Security with relevant information for its pyrotechnic operator, years of experience, the number and type of close proximity fireworks it proposes to include, and its applicable insurance coverage. Additionally, ACE Pyro has provided the plan for production of the display including schedule, security, safety, and fire protection.

We recommend that the Board of Regents approve the close proximity fireworks displays as described for the football games on September 13, 2014, and October 11, 2014.

Respectfully submitted,

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