Subject: Cancer and Geriatrics Center and Medical Sciences Unit I Chiller Replacement

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The Medical Sciences Unit I building (Med Sci I) is cooled by two absorption chillers located at Med Sci I and one in the penthouse of the Cancer and Geriatrics Center (CGC). The project will remove the two existing chillers at Med Sci I that are failing and replace them with a new chiller in the penthouse of CGC to serve the chilled water needs of both CGC and Med Sci I year round. CGC was designed to allow this additional capacity to create a more efficient means to cool both buildings with a regional approach. 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 $2,200,000. Funding will be provided from General Fund 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. Construction is scheduled to be completed in Summer 2006.

We recommend that the Regents approve the Cancer and Geriatrics Centers and Medical Sciences Unit I Chiller Replacement project as described, and authorize issuing the project for bids and awarding a construction contract providing that bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,

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