Subject: Michigan Memorial Phoenix Laboratory Renovation

Action Requested: Approval of Schematic Design

Background:

At the May 2006 meeting, the Regents approved the Michigan Memorial Phoenix Laboratory Renovation project and the appointment of Lord Aeck & Sargent, Inc. as the architect for its design. A renovation of approximately 25,000 gross square feet is planned that will create approximately 7,000 net square feet of state-of-the-art research laboratory space for a broad range of energy-related initiatives, and provide extensive infrastructure upgrades to the building's electrical, mechanical and life-safety systems. The scope of this project includes the architectural, mechanical and electrical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. Although there will be a temporary loss of some adjacent parking spaces during construction, there will be no permanent impact on parking from this project.

The estimated cost of the project is $9,500,000. This project is part of a Fiscal Year 2005 Supplemental Capital Outlay Request to the State of Michigan. Construction was authorized by the State legislature in Public Act 345 of 2006. The State will fund approximately two-thirds of the project and the University will fund the balance with 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. Construction is scheduled to be completed in Summer 2008.

We recommend that the Regents approve the schematic design for the Michigan Memorial Phoenix Laboratory Renovation project as presented at the meeting.

Respectfully submitted,

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