THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Institute for Social Research
Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning Upgrades

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

Background:

The Institute for Social Research consists of three wings constructed in 1965, 1979 and 1989. Conditioned air in the first two wings is delivered primarily through early variable air volume (VAV) devices that have become unreliable, are difficult to service and difficult to control. Several previous unplanned corrective maintenance projects have replaced some of these controls with modern, efficient VAVs in these two wings. This project will complete the conversion to new VAVs in the first two wings, and install solar heat reducing film to the windows on the second wing. 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 $2,000,000. 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. Construction is scheduled to be completed in Summer 2008.

We recommend that the Regents approve the Institute for Social Research Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning Upgrades 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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