THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

REGENTS COMMUNICATION

<u>ACTION REQUEST</u>

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Subject:

Subcontract Agreement between the University of Michigan

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and Internet 2

Action Requested: Authorization to enter into Agreement

Preamble:

A conflict of interest situation was identified by DRDA while reviewing the Proposal Approval Form which then triggered a review by the OVPR Conflict of Interest Review Committee. A plan for management of the possible risks associated with the conflict of interest was developed by the committee and agreed to by the parties involved in this agreement.

This proposed Agreement falls under the State of Michigan Conflict of Interest Statute because Dr. Van Houweling maintains a University of Michigan appointment and is the President and CEO of Internet 2, a proposed subcontractor on the contract with the Department of Interior (acting on behalf of the Department of Homeland Security). The law permits such an Agreement provided it is disclosed to the executive officers and approved in advance by a 2/3 vote of the Regents.

Background:

The University of Michigan has been awarded a contract (NBCHC040146) from the Department of Interior Virtual Center for Network and Security Data. The Principal Investigator for the project is Dr. Farnam Jahanian, Professor of Electrical Engineering and Computer Sciences in the College of Engineering. The project involves collaborations with the University of Wisconsin, the University of Washington, XO Communications, Internet 2 and BGP Bacon.

Nature of the Agreement:

The contract includes a proposed subcontract to Internet 2 located in Ann Arbor, MI to support the collaborative activities.

Agreement Terms:

Under the contract a subcontract of approximately \$80,402 is anticipated to cover the period January 1, 2005 through September 30, 2005. Since research agreements are often amended, the Agreement includes provisions for changes in time, amount, and scope. University procedures for approval of these changes will be followed and additional review by the Conflict of Interest Committee will be done as appropriate. The subcontract terms are consistent with University policies and Regental bylaws.

Impact of the Agreement:

The subcontract will allow the University of Michigan to meet the goals and objectives originally approved by the sponsor.

Recommendation:

This Agreement has been reviewed and approved by the OVPR Conflict of Interest Review Committee. In light of this disclosure and our finding that the agreement conforms to standard University practices, I <u>recommend</u> that the Board of Regents approve of the University's entering into this Agreement with Internet 2.

Respectfully submitted,

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Vice President for Research

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