## THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN **REGENTS COMMUNICATION**

## **ACTION REQUEST**

Approved by the Regents April 21, 2006

Subject:

Stephen M. Ross School of Business

Facilities Enhancement Project

Action

Requested:

Authorization to Issue the Project for Bids and Award Remaining Construction

Contracts

## Background:

At the February 2006 meeting, the Regents approved issuing bids and awarding construction contracts for demolition and early procurement packages for the Stephen M. Ross School of Business Facilities Enhancement Project. We now seek authorization to issue the remainder of the project for bids and award construction contracts.

A 270,000 gross square foot building will be constructed. The facility will have seven floors housing twelve tiered classrooms, an auditorium and colloquium, faculty offices, student service activities space, and a central gathering space that will provide seating areas and a food court.

The estimated cost of the project is \$145,000,000. Funding will be provided from gifts, including a \$75,000,000 leadership gift from Stephen M. Ross, and Stephen M. Ross School of Business 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. Construction is scheduled to be completed in Fall 2008.

We recommend that the Regents authorize issuing the Stephen M. Ross School of Business Facilities Enhancement Project for bids and awarding remaining construction contracts providing that bids are within the approved budget.

Respectfully submitted,

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Chief Financial Officer

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