THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject:

Michigan Memorial Phoenix Laboratory

Asbestos Abatement

September 22, 2006

Approved by the Regents

Action

<u>Requested</u>: Approval to Proceed with Project

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. To achieve the planned completion date for that project, we propose to initiate this asbestos abatement project in areas planned for renovation. Many buildings built prior to 1980 used asbestos as an insulating material, and we routinely manage the asbestos-containing material wherever it exists. However, before select areas can be renovated, certain asbestos-containing material must be removed. 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 \$650,000. 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. Work is scheduled to be completed in Spring 2007.

We recommend that the Regents approve the Michigan Memorial Phoenix Laboratory Asbestos Abatement 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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Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

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