

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN  
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Approved by the Regents  
June 21, 2007

Subject: William W. Cook Legal Research Library and Hutchins Hall  
Lighting Improvements

Action Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

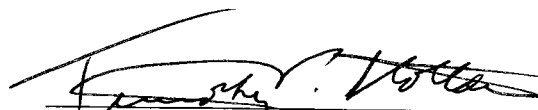
Background:

The majority of the lighting infrastructure in the Law Quadrangle buildings dates back to the original 1930's construction. The lighting infrastructure does not meet current code requirements, and lighting levels are insufficient to meet the needs of Law School staff and faculty. This project seeks to improve the lighting levels within the Cook Legal Research Library reading room, faculty offices and circulation areas, and within the Hutchins Hall faculty offices, faculty lounge, select seminar rooms, and circulation areas. Some of the buildings' historic light fixtures will be refurbished and re-lamped with modern, energy efficient lamping and ballasts, while some fixtures will be replaced with energy efficient fixtures that are appropriate for the historic interiors. Electrical infrastructure, including wiring, distribution systems, panels and controls will be upgraded in areas where fixtures are being upgraded, and emergency egress lighting will be added. The scope of this project includes the architectural, electrical and mechanical work necessary to accomplish these improvements. There will be no impact on parking from this project.

The estimated cost of the project is \$6,500,000. Funding will be provided from a gift to the Law School and 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 architectural firm of Lord Aeck & Sargent, Inc. will design the project. Construction is scheduled to be completed in Winter 2009.

We recommend that the Regents approve the William W. Cook Legal Research Library and Hutchins Hall Lighting Improvements 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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