

THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
REGENTS COMMUNICATION

ACTION REQUEST

Subject: Vera Baits I
Fire Alarm Systems Upgrade

Action
Requested: Approval to Proceed with Project

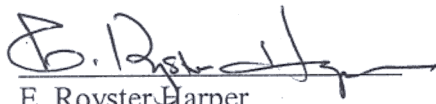
Background:


Vera Baits I was constructed in 1967 and consists of five residence halls that house 481 residents. The existing fire alarm systems have reached the end of their useful lives. For each of the five residence halls, this project will install a system that meets all current codes and standards, including those set by the Americans with Disabilities Act. There will be a significant increase in the number of residence rooms outfitted to alert the hearing impaired.

The estimated cost of the project is \$1,400,000. Funding will be provided from Housing 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 August 2004. There will be no impact on parking from this project.

We recommend that the Regents approve the Vera Baits I Fire Alarm Systems Upgrade 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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APPROVED BY THE REGENTS ON
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