INCREASE PROJECT BUDGET FOR ELECTRICAL AND COMPUTER ENGINEERING BUILDING, URBANA

**Action:** Increase Project Budget for Electrical and Computer Engineering Building

**Funding:** State Capital Appropriation, Institutional Funds Operating Budget, Grant Funds, and Gift Funds

In September 2007, the Board approved the capital budget request for Fiscal Year 2009. In May 2008, the Board approved a recommendation to the Capital Development Board (CDB) to employ SmithGroup, Chicago, IL, to provide design services for the project. At the Board meeting in May 2009, the Board approved a revised budget of $95.0 million for the new Electrical and Computer Engineering Building. The Board approved the design in March 2010. In July 2017, the Board approved a budget increase in which $1,008,625 was transferred from a separate stand-alone project to this project for the addition of solar panels on the roof. The addition of solar panels will provide for integrating instruction and research into the operation of the building and will facilitate the ability to pursue a LEED Platinum certified building for the internationally acclaimed Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

The project was delayed due to discovery of a design error that prevented installation of the photovoltaic system. With design now completed, bids were received
in June 2018 and additional funds are needed to remediate the design error and to support
the installation of the solar panels and structural support. In order to complete the project,
it is necessary to increase the project budget with contributions by the University of
Illinois by $725,375, for the solar panel installation, and contributions by the Capital
Development Board of $1,466,000, for remediation of the design error, for a total project
budget of $98.2 million.

Accordingly, the Chancellor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
and Vice President, University of Illinois with the concurrence of the appropriate
administrative officers recommends that the Board approve the increase in project budget
for this project to $98,200,000, an increase of $2,191,375.

The Board action recommended in this item complies in all material
respects with applicable State and federal laws, University of Illinois Statutes, The
General Rules Concerning University Organization and Procedure, and Board of
Trustees policies and directives.

Funds for the project are available from State capital appropriated funds,
institutional funds operating budget of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign,
grant funds, and gift funds.

The President of the University concurs.