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Office of the President June 17, 2008

Members, Board of Trustees:

EXPAND AND UPGRADE LIVESTOCK DISEASE DIAGNOSTIC CENTER (LDDC)

<u>Recommendation</u>: that the Board of Trustees approve the initiation of Phase II of the "Expand and Upgrade Livestock Disease Diagnostic Center (LDDC)" project and consolidation of Phase II with Phase I of the project for a combined total scope of \$28,500,000 funded with state bonds.

<u>Background</u>: The 2004 Kentucky General Assembly authorized \$8.5 million of state bond funds for Phase I of the "Expand and Upgrade LDDC" project. At its June 14, 2005 meeting, the Board approved initiation of Phase I, which included design of a much needed addition and renovation to the existing facility as well as the pre-purchase of a biosecure waste digester.

The 2008 Kentucky General Assembly authorized \$20 million in State Bond Funds for Phase II. Phase II will continue the project to provide approximately 18,000 gross square feet of laboratories and support space and 4,000 gross square feet of office space to accommodate increased large animal necropsy loads; the new waste digester; and enhanced biosecurity of entry, storage, and disposal of carcasses. Additionally, site access, including new animal receiving areas and service areas, will be provided. Consolidation of Phase I and Phase II is necessary for administrative reporting purposes.

Contingent upon approval by the Board of Trustees, the University will request the Capital Projects and Bond Oversight Committee to consolidate Phase I and Phase II of the project at their July meeting.

Action taken:

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