COMMISSION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

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INFORMATION ITEM C: Capital Improvement Projects on Which Staff Have Acted

In accordance with existing legislation, the Commission is expected to review and make a recommendation to the State Budget Committee for:

- (1) each project to construct buildings or facilities that has a cost greater than \$500,000;
- (2) each project to purchase or lease-purchase land, buildings, or facilities the principal value of which exceeds \$250,000;
- (3) each project to lease, other than lease-purchase, a building or facility, if the annual cost exceeds \$150,000; and
- (4) each repair and rehabilitation project if the cost of the project exceeds (a) \$750,000, if any part of the cost of the project is paid by state appropriated funds or by mandatory student fees assessed all students, and (b) \$1,000,000 if no part of the cost of the project is paid by state appropriated funds or by mandatory student fees assessed all students.

Projects of several types generally are acted upon by the staff and forwarded to the Director of the State Budget Agency with a recommendation of approval; these projects include most allotments of appropriated General Repair and Rehabilitation funds, most projects conducted with non-State funding, most leases, and requests for project cost increase. The Commission is informed of such actions at its next regular meeting. During the previous month, the following projects were recommended by the Commission staff for approval by the State Budget Committee.

I. REPAIR AND REHABILITATION

B-1-13-2-26 Purdue University – West Lafayette Wade Utility Plant High Voltage Substations E & F Replacements Project Cost: \$1,100,000

The Trustees of Purdue University request authority to proceed with the replacement of high voltage substations E and F, as well as associated equipment on the West Lafayette Campus. The current equipment and infrastructure of these substations are outdated. The equipment's unreliability prevents stability and limits future capital projects unless significant updates are made. The estimated cost of the project is \$1,100,000 and will be funded through institutional reserves for repair and rehabilitation.

A-0-14-6-01 Indiana University – System wide Repair & Rehabilitation Projects Cost: \$10,799,000

> The Trustees of Indiana University informed Commission Staff of their intent to draw down \$10,799,000 of their repair and rehabilitation appropriation. This represents less than one-half of IU's approved biennial R&R appropriation of \$22,912,596. This draw down consists of 100 small projects, each less than statutory thresholds for Commission review. As additional projects are

identified, they will continue to make draw down requests from the State Budget Agency and the Commission per statute.

NEW CONSTRUCTION

None

II. LEASES

None

III. LAND ACQUISITION

None