



TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY
Office of the Executive Vice President and Provost

June 15, 2006

MEMORANDUM

TO: Dean Elsa Murano
Vice Chancellor and Dean
Agriculture Program

SUBJECT: NMR Finish Out

At its June 14, 2006 meeting, the Council on Built Environment reviewed your proposal (attached) to provide \$2M to add three floors of labs to the NMR Facility, with the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station financing the funds through System Treasury Services. The proposal is contingent upon the University providing \$1,180,000 to finish out the second and third floors. The Council approved the University providing \$600,000 toward the finishing out of the shell space on the second floor of labs, and will work aggressively to find the remaining \$600,000 to finish out the third floor.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "W. L. Perry".

William L. Perry
Vice Provost
Chair, Council on Built Environment

Attachment

c: Dr. Robert Gates
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June 6, 2006

MEMORANDUM

TO: Bill Perry
Chair, Council for Built Environment

SUBJECT: NMR Finish Out

To obtain the maximum amount of lab space in the new NMR Building, I would like to amend our previous proposal to you, and instead, authorize Facilities Planning and Construction to add three floors of labs, not two. The cost is \$2 million and financing would be arranged through TAMUS treasury services, to be repaid by the Texas Agricultural Experiment Station, instead of having TAMU provide the financing.

This amended offer from TAES would be contingent upon TAMU providing funds to finish out floors 2 and 3. The estimated cost for casework and other components to finish out these two floors is \$1,180,000. This is a rare opportunity to create additional wet lab space at a very reasonable cost Bill, and we believe it would be best if the work to finish out the floors was completed immediately following the shelling out of the floors before the building is occupied. As you are well aware, COALS still has a substantial unmet space need for faculty reinvestment and this can help to solve that problem.

The support of CBE, in partnership with COALS and TAES, can help us create urgently needed wet lab space, so please let me know if you concur with this amended proposal.

Sincerely,

Elsa A. Murano
Vice Chancellor and Dean
Agriculture and Life Sciences
Director, Texas Agricultural Experiment Station

xc: Russell Cross
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Gene Nelson

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