RECOMMENDATION

CELLULAR ANTENNA LEASE AGREEMENT

ACTION REQUESTED

It is recommended that the Board of Regents approve a five year cellular antenna Option and Structure Lease agreement with New Cingular Wireless PCS (subsidiary of AT&T) consistent with the parameters outlined below.

STAFF SUMMARY

EMU has been exploring cost effective solutions to improve EMU's external cellular capabilities across the campus. AT&T and New Cingular Wireless PCS have authorized a capital investment project to build a cellular antenna on Pray Harold. This project will increase the cellular quality with no capital investment required from the University.

Within 30 days of the execution of the agreement, New Cingular Wireless will begin construction and integration of all necessary telecom equipment on Pray Harold. The initial term of the agreement is five years with payments to EMU of $18,000 annually. By mutual written consent, the agreement can be extended an additional three, five-year terms with a 7.5% increase in lease payments for each extended five year term.

FISCAL IMPLICATIONS

Based on an annual lease payment of $18,000, lease payments over the five year term would total $90,000.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDATION

The proposed Board action has been reviewed and is recommended for Board approval.