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MEMO TO: The University Community

FROM:

Earl Lazerson

SUBJECT:

Art and Design Building

On the day after he took office in January, Governor Jim Edgar announced a freeze on 380 new state building projects and established a spending control committee. The freeze included the SIUE Art and Design Building, which at that time was nearly ready for the opening of bids. Since then, the capital list has been periodically reviewed by the committee, and the University has persistently requested a high priority for release of the money.

On Wednesday, Governor Edgar announced release of \$4.7 million for construction of the Art and Design Building. Architects and engineers will work with the Capital Development Board to get the project back out for bids as soon as possible. Hopefully, the project can be advertised and the bids opened by January 1. We are pleased that this very important project is again moving forward.