STATE UNIVERSITY OF NEW YORK AT ALBANY Albany, New York 12203

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FROM: Walter M. Tisdale

TO: President Evan R. Collins

SUBJECT: Campus Progress Report No. 139

Bids were opened at 2:00 p.m. today on our Linear Accelerator, Project No. O 119. Seven bidders responded, five of whom were local firms and two were out of towners. Base bids ranged from the lowest at \$694,000. submitted by McManus, Longe and Brockwiehl of Albany, to the highest submitted by J. B. Premiano of White Plains, New York at \$934,000. The allocated money, less contingencies which had to be withheld, was \$834,000. Three bidders came within this sum of money. Evaluation of the lowest bids is now under way but it would seem certain that among the three low bidders, we certainly have a contractor.

The lowest bidder, McManus, Longe and Brockwiehl, is a local firm of a good reputation that has done work on our campus before. They were the builders of the Commissary, HVAC Plant and Plant Administration Headquarters. Their work on this project was highly satisfactory and close to schedule. Therefore, it is highly unlikely that McManus, Longe and Brockwiehl would be discredited on any count.

The Construction Fund has one month in which to thoroughly evaluate all bids, complete all the necessary contract documents and to sign the contract. Completion date for the work is scheduled for the 2nd of January, 1970.

In view of the above circumstances, it would seem very certain that we will have a contractor on or before 17 January, 1969 and work will be starting immediately thereafter. Initial work will be underground excavation and this can continue without any adverse effects due to the winter weather. By the time Spring arrives, they should be ready to pour concrete.

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