Proposal to the General University Policy Committee

PROPOSAL TITLE:  Transfer the Beckman Institute from the Office of Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs and Provost to the Office of the Vice Chancellor for Research

SPONSOR:  Robert Easter, Interim Designate Vice Chancellor for Research – 244-7179 – rcaster@illinois.edu  
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BRIEF DESCRIPTION:

It was determined through the campus administrative structure review that the Beckman Institute for Advanced Science and Technology Institute should be a part of the Office of Vice Chancellor for Research portfolio. A copy of the transmittal letter from Robert Easter, Interim Vice President, University of Illinois and Interim Chancellor, University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign is attached.

JUSTIFICATION:

The Urbana campus has four major interdisciplinary research institutes: National Center for Supercomputing Applications (NCSA) established in 1986; Beckman Institute for Advanced Science and Technology (BI) established in 1989; Institute for Genomic Biology (IGB) established in 2006; and the Prairie Research Institute (PRI) formed in 2008 by bringing the four Illinois State Surveys into the University system. Of the four institutes, all but the BI report to the Vice Chancellor for Research. As a part of the campus administrative structure review it was determined that the BI would be part of the OVCRI portfolio.

BUDGETARY AND FACULTY/STAFF IMPLICATIONS:

a. As a result of this request there will be no effects on the funding structure of BI; it will remain the same as is currently in place. This change will be a reporting line change only.
b. Tenure-stream faculty members do currently hold appointments in BI, but the appointments are 0% appointments with their appointment lines held within their departmental unit. There will be no change in how these appointments work as a result of this requested change.
CLEARANCES:

Signatures:

Arthur Kramer
Unit Representative – Beckman Institute
Arthur F. Kramer, Director

Richard P. Wheeler, Interim Vice Chancellor
For Academic Affairs and Provost

Ravi K. Iyer, Interim Vice Chancellor for Research

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December 16, 2011

Ms. Jenny Roether, Senate Clerk
Office of the Senate
University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign
228 English Building
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Dear Ms. Roether:

Vice Chancellor Iyer asked that I forward the attached proposal to the General University Policy Committee. Please let us know if there are any questions or if additional information is needed.

Best regards,

Juan Chambers
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