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ATTN: Ben McCall, Chair, iCAP Working Group

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RE: EGen002 Utilities Plan Review

Hello iWG,

F&S does not agree to a review of the Utilities Master Plan (UMP) by outside experts.

The Master Plan is a strategic plan, which will evolve with time, even after the UMP is formally approved by the Chancellor's Capital Review Committee. The iCAP objectives for clean energy options and low-carbon power purchase agreements will also be pursued in the coming years, and those results will be incorporated into the operational plans for campus utilities.

Whether vetted by a colleague at another university pro bono, or through potentially hiring a consultant to review the work of the UMP consultant, a review would add a significant time-delay. It would also increase the workload on the F&S Utilities & Energy Services staff, in the way of supplying information and data to a new contact.

This would be a duplication of efforts, which is unwarranted for this planning document. We understand that five of the eight iCAP Working Group members expressed similar concerns about a duplication of efforts, and it was suggested that the Egen SWATeam could work with F&S staff and the UMP consultant to review the renewable energy and geothermal scenarios. These discussions have started already.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Thanks,

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