INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL STATEMENT

1.01 Fume hoods present some special problems. Many of them involve the use of hazardous material. It is the University's responsibility to ensure that operating conditions do not exist which will endanger faculty, students, other staff and the building structures. All hoods involve the discharge of air from the building. Therefore, appropriate design requires consideration of the source of air for the hoods and of the necessity to heat/cool the air. These factors influence the energy cost which is directly related to the operating cost of the system as a whole. The end result is that hood installations need to be carefully reviewed from an engineering and a safety point of view before being placed in operation.

1.02 The objective of the University is to ensure that hoods are installed so as to operate in a safe and a cost-effective way.

PURPOSE AND SCOPE

2.01 This regulation is established to assist all interested parties in obtaining needed fume hoods which meet all safety requirements and all engineering aspects related to cost effectiveness and sound operating conditions.

UNIVERSITY POLICY

3.01 The Safety Department, Physical Plant, has the responsibility to ensure that fume hood installations do not result in hazardous operating conditions. The Energy Management Coordinator, Physical Plant, has the responsibility to ensure that energy requirements are at the lowest feasible level and that environmental conditions are optimum. These conditions can exist only when appropriate evaluations are made prior to the purchase and installation of any new hood or prior to change of use of any existing hood.

3.02 All fume hood installations in existing buildings and changes-of-use in existing hoods will be engineered for safety, energy effectiveness, and environmental considerations by the Physical Plant.
3.03 Fume hood requirements in new construction will be given the same engineered analysis under the responsibility of the Department of Architectural Services in coordination with Physical Plant as noted in 3.02 above.

3.04 Installation of additional hoods in existing buildings will be done by Physical Plant personnel or by outside contract administered by Physical Plant or Architectural Services (see Policy & Procedures 1-0109).

3.05 The procurement of additional hoods will be done by Physical Plant after the engineering analysis has been made as noted above. If a hood is to be donated to the University, the analysis of its proposed use will be made before the hood is accepted and delivered to the campus.

3.06 New or additional hood installations shall be supplied with separate duct work vented through the building roof in accordance with applicable codes and University standards.

3.07 Any hoods required in buildings maintained by Student Services will receive the same type of analysis as outlined above. Student Services can purchase and install hoods within its area of responsibility.

PROCEDURES

4.01 Requests for purchase and installation and for modifications of hoods will be forwarded to Physical Plant by use of a Campus Order form. A detailed list of the chemicals or other materials to be used in the hood and a written justification for the hood shall be forwarded with the campus order.

4.02 Physical Plant will prepare an engineering analysis for each hood. The analysis will be reviewed as appropriate with the requestor and will be the basis for the estimate of cost.

4.03 Architectural Services and Student Services organizations will cause all hood requirements under their jurisdictions to be reviewed by the Safety Department. The energy and environmental considerations will be made by their in-house staffs or by contract engineers as appropriate.

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