

# student sustainability committee

university of illinois at urbana-champaign



May 13, 2009

University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign (UIUC)  
Student Sustainability Committee

Re: Request for funding from the UIUC Sustainability / Clean Energy Technology Fees  
Project: Solar Decathlon 2009  
Applicant: Patrick Chapman

Dear Patrick:

On behalf of the Student Sustainability Committee for the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign, I would like to thank you for responding to our call for proposals to use funds raised by the student Clean Energy Technology and Sustainability Fees to implement a project that improves the sustainability of our campus. Each proposal was evaluated based on its sustainability impact (i.e. energy or sustainability impact, campus presence, project longevity, and budget) and broader impact (i.e. education and creativity).

The Committee is pleased to inform you that we are recommending to the Office of Sustainability that your project (to build a solar house for the Solar Decathlon 2009 competition) **receive \$25,000 in funding, with the following requirements:** 1) that the committee's support be publicized and indicated at house itself, 2) that all work be completed by December 31<sup>st</sup> 2009 and that a final report of all work completed and accounting of funds spent be provided to us by January 31<sup>st</sup> 2010. If you have any questions regarding these requirements, please contact us at [sustainability-committee@uiuc.edu](mailto:sustainability-committee@uiuc.edu)

The Committee will contact you when the Office of Sustainability officially approves this project. At that point, we will discuss the Committee's protocol for financial and progress management to complete this project, and make arrangements for transfer of funds. As previously discussed, semesterly updates and account statements describing how funds are being used will be required in addition to a final report on project completion.

Again, thank you for your interest in improving the sustainability of the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign. We look forward to working with you in the future.

Sincerely,

Suhail F. Barot  
UIUC Student Sustainability Committee, Chair

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**Project:** Solar Decathlon 2009

**Funding Source:** Sustainable Campus Environment Fee

**Funding Amount:** \$25,000

**Receiving Campus Unit:** Department of Electrical and Computer Engineering

**Primary Contact Person:** Patrick Chapman

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**End Date:** December 31<sup>st</sup> 2009


## **Project Description:**

The Solar Decathlon is a biannual international competition hosted by the Department of Energy and the US Green Building Council to design, build and present a 100% solar-powered house on the National Mall in Washington D.C. The University of Illinois has successfully completed an application to the 2009 competition and has been accepted to compete with 19 other universities. To support this project, the Student Sustainability Committee is in favor of providing an additional \$25,000 in funding, to be added to the original grant account - 1-629514-933010-191200-933SOL.

## **Student Sustainability Committee:**


  
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Suhail Barot, 08-09 Committee Chair

Date Approved: 5/18/09

  
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Paul Cheng, 08-09 Committee Vice-Chair

Date Approved: 5/14/09

## **Office of Sustainability:**

  
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Richard Warner, Director, Office of Sustainability

Date Approved: 5-18-09

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Steve Sonka, Vice-Chancellor for Public Engagement

Date Approved: \_\_\_\_\_