Dear Colleagues:

I am writing to update you on the FY 2016 rates for the Technology Recharge Fee (TRF), which provides support for essential information technology services delivered by UW Information Technology (UW-IT). Under a recommendation by the University’s IT Service Investment Board, and approved by the Provost, the rates will be increased by a net of 1.9 percent to keep pace with rising costs (see more details below). The Board, comprised of representatives from academic and administrative units, is charged by the Provost with conducting an annual review and evaluation of the TRF.

The FY 2016 TRF rates, effective July 1, 2015, will be:

- $55.51 per month per capita for all academic and administrative units  
  \(\text{(a 1.9 percent increase over the current rate of $54.50)}\)

- $50.91 per month per capita for the Medical Centers  
  \(\text{(a 1.9 percent increase over the current rate of $50.00)}\)

This represents the first net increase in the TRF rate since it was implemented in FY 2011. The Board believes this increase is necessary to address the escalating cost of IT operations, including enterprise software licensing, network security, geographic resiliency, and essential facilities infrastructure.

Under the Board’s recommendation, the methodology and basic bundle of services covered by the TRF remain unchanged from FY 2015. In arriving at its recommendations, the Board followed advice from the Technology Recharge Fee Advisory Committee, which is charged with providing in-depth analysis and consultation in support of the annual TRF review.

The TRF covers a basic bundle of IT services identified as essential by a group of representatives from across the UW community. The TRF also covers the Microsoft campus site licensing agreement. More information about the TRF, including details on what is included and how the per capita rate is calculated, can be found at uw.edu/uwit/recharge.html
We recognize this funding model represents a significant cost for your units in a time of continuing constrained resources. UW-IT strives to operate as cost-effectively as possible, while delivering services that enhance the productivity and effectiveness of students, faculty and staff.

Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

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