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The University of Dayton Receives Second Installment of Ford Motor Company Fund Grant

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DAYTON, Ohio, November 13, 1969 --- The University of Dayton recently received $5,000 from the Ford Motor Company as the second of three annual installments on a Ford Motor Company Fund grant. The grant of $15,000 was awarded to the University in November of 1968, for its Mechanical Engineering Department. Dayton was one of ten schools selected by the Ford Motor Company to receive such a grant.

In awarding this grant the Ford Motor Company placed no restrictions on its use, except for the discretionary use by Dr. Howard E. Smith, head of UD's Mechanical Engineering Department, to enrich the mechanical engineering program. When accepting the check last year, Dean Maurice Graney of the School of Engineering and Dr. Smith stated that this grant would provide invaluable support for their plans to provide full coverage in the important area of Direct Energy Conversion.

The University's new Engineering-Research Building, which is set for occupancy in January, will provide laboratory facilities supporting instruction in cryogenics, thermoelectrics, thermonics, bio-engineering, solar cells and fuel cells. The Ford monies will also enable the Department of Mechanical Engineering to further strengthen their faculty in these important areas.