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RIVES COMMENTS ON BUDGET MESSAGE

CHARLESTON, IL--Eastern Illinois University President Stan Rives has made the following comments on Governor Jim Edgar's budget plan for the next fiscal year: "The Governor has given us a tough dose of fiscal reality in his budget message. His message certainly underscores the need for the General Assembly to approve continuation of the temporary income tax surcharge on a permanent basis. Unless and until the economy improves, we are looking at some rough days ahead for all state services.

"The University is making plans to deal with a lean budget next year. One area we are taking a hard look at is reduction of administrative overhead."