



RTI Semi-Annual Progress Report

Fiscal Year 2006

Date of This Report: March 1, 2006 Project Number: 9-1526 / TPF-5(116) RMC: 5

Period Covered by This Report: September 1, 2005 – February 28, 2006

Project Title: Investigation of the Fatigue Life of Steel Base Plate to Pole Connections for Traffic Structures

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1. Requested Changes for Possible Project Modification

Project Termination:

No change.

Project Personnel:

No changes.

Funding Needs:

No problems or changes.

Work Plan:

No changes.

Deliverables Table:

None.

2. Program Development Information

FY2007 and FY2008 Itemized Budgets attached.

3. Equipment

No equipment was purchased.

4. Progress to Date, by Task

1) Literature Review

The literature review has been started. The analytical and field work by Connor will be included in the review as soon as it is available.

2) Development of Test Plan

A meeting with the sponsoring states was held November 22 to formulate the initial testing program. An initial test matrix was developed and sent out to the sponsors for their approval. The test matrix was approved in January. The specimen design was started. The length and method of testing the tall light supports is being evaluated. They will be tested as either single vertical cantilever or paired specimens tested in the mast arm setup. The loading rams required, end fixtures, and specimens lengths are under study to determine the most efficient method of testing these large specimens.

3) Fatigue Testing

Fatigue testing should start next quarter.

4) Analytical Studies

Analytical studies of the end plate geometry will start next quarter.

5) Summary of Results

5. Progress on Development of “Product” Deliverables

No products required for this project.

6. Meetings/Conferences

Project meeting was held on November 22, 2005.

7. Possible Candidates for Formal Presentations at the Upcoming RMC Meeting

Not at this time.

8. Miscellaneous

None.

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Agency(s): UT/CTR

RMC: 5
 Fiscal Year: 2007
 Indirect Rate: 10%

Project No: 9-1526

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Revision Date: _____

DIRECT COSTS		Estimated Budget	Itemization	Total Costs
Salaries & Wages	Staff Months**			
Professional Research Staff (Combine all Professional under one total estimated budget)	12.50	\$ 39,427	Professional Research Staff Karl H. Frank	
			Est % Time*	
			15	
			PhD Researcher(s)	0
			MS Researcher(s) (2)	100
Subprofessional & Technical	1.23	\$ 5,387		
Clerical	0.50	\$ 1,958		
Total Salaries and Wages and Staff Months	14.23			\$ 46,772
Fringe Benefits (provide details at the University's option)		\$ 13,564		
Total Fringe Benefits				\$ 13,564
Expendable Goods & Supplies (provide details at the University's option)		\$ 1,100	Hydraulic Oil, Filters and Strain Gages	
		\$ 325	Miscellaneous Laboratory Supplies	
		\$ 50	Computer Supplies	
		\$ -		
Total Expendable Goods & Supplies				\$ 1,475
Operating & Other Expenses				
<u>Included in Modified Direct Costs</u>				
Travel		\$ 15,000	Out of State Participants	
Other		\$ 100	Telephone	
		\$ -		0
		\$ -		
Equipment Rental		\$ -		
<u>Excluded from Modified Direct Costs ***</u>				
Tuition (in lieu of partial or total salary)		\$ 15,350		
Total Operating & Other Expenses				\$ 30,450
Subcontracts ***		\$ -		
		\$ -		
		\$ -		
Total Subcontracts				\$ -
Equipment (items \$5,000 and over) ***		\$ -		
		\$ -		
		\$ -		
		\$ -		
		\$ -		
Total Equipment				\$ -
TOTAL DIRECT COSTS				\$ 92,261
INDIRECT COSTS				
50 (%) of Modified Total Direct Costs			MTDC *** = \$ 76,911	\$ 38,456
less University's Contribution of 40%****				\$ (30,764)
TOTAL INDIRECT COSTS CHARGED TO PROJECT (limited to Indirect Rate stated at top of page)				\$ 7,692
TOTAL PROJECT COST				\$ 99,953

* Include **estimated** % of each Professional's time expected to be spent on this project.

** Include estimated Staff Months for each category under Salary & Wages

*** Per OMB Circular A-21 (revised 8/8/00), equipment, tuition remission, rental costs, scholarships and fellowships, computer time, and the portion of each subcontract over \$25,000 shall be excluded from Modified Total Direct Costs.

**** Calculate this line based on the University's federally approved indirect cost rate, enter % in blank



Agency(s): UT/CTR

RMC: 5
 Fiscal Year: 2008
 Indirect Rate: 10%

Project No: 9-1526

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Revision Date: _____

DIRECT COSTS		Estimated Budget	Itemization	Total Costs
Salaries & Wages	Staff Months**			
Professional Research Staff (Combine all Professional under one total estimated budget)	13.00	\$ 45,781	Professional Research Staff Karl H. Frank Est % Time* 15	
Subprofessional & Technical	2.15	\$ 9,406	PhD Researcher(s)	
Clerical	0.75	\$ 2,938	MS Researcher(s) (2)	100
Total Salaries and Wages and Staff Months	15.90			\$ 58,125
Fringe Benefits (provide details at the University's option)		\$ 16,857		
Total Fringe Benefits				\$ 16,857
Expendable Goods & Supplies (provide details at the University's option)		\$ 1,450	Hydraulic Oil, Filters and Strain Gages	
		\$ 325	Miscellaneous Laboratory Supplies	
		\$ 100	Computer Supplies	
		\$ -		
Total Expendable Goods & Supplies				\$ 1,875
Operating & Other Expenses				
<u>Included in Modified Direct Costs</u>				
Travel		\$ -		
Other		\$ 100	Telephone	
		\$ -		0
		\$ -		
Equipment Rental		\$ -		
<u>Excluded from Modified Direct Costs ***</u>				
Tuition (in lieu of partial or total salary)		\$ 15,350		
Total Operating & Other Expenses				\$ 15,450
Subcontracts ***		\$ -		
		\$ -		
		\$ -		
Total Subcontracts				\$ -
Equipment (items \$5,000 and over) ***		\$ -		
		\$ -		
		\$ -		
		\$ -		
		\$ -		
Total Equipment				\$ -
TOTAL DIRECT COSTS				\$ 92,307
INDIRECT COSTS				
50 (%) of Modified Total Direct Costs			MTDC *** = \$ 76,957	\$ 38,479
less University's Contribution of 40% ****				\$ (30,783)
TOTAL INDIRECT COSTS CHARGED TO PROJECT (limited to Indirect Rate stated at top of page)				\$ 7,696
TOTAL PROJECT COST				\$ 100,003

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