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April 4, 2007  
(Transmitted By Email)

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ATTN: Ms. Kelley Rehm

RE: QPR for Q4-06

PN2557

Dear Sir and Madam:

**Work Accomplished**

The following is a list of major activities during the reporting period:

January 2007

- Answered occasional inquiries of LRFD provisions.

February 2007

- Agenda items started to come in, especially near the deadline. Worked with several Tech Chairs to resolve conflicts, eliminate items that had been done previously, or did not need to be done and format the items and the cover sheets. There were several joint items that needed to be worked with both Tech Chairs.
- Answered occasional inquiries of LRFD provisions including a list of questions about shear provisions.

March 2007

- Continued to work on agenda items and post them on FTP site.
- Made a brief review of the proposed Seismic Guide Spec and sent some initial comments to Tech Chair. Our relation to this document is not very clear, but since we had it, we took a quick look.
- Answered some queries on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Edition of the LRFD Movable Bridge Specifications.
- Started on TOC for agenda book.
- Dr. Mertz attended the T-10 Meeting on 3/31 to help with final changes to their agenda items and sent four back to us for minor work on 4/2.

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A total of 77 agenda items and the Seismic Guidelines have been reviewed, one of which has been withdrawn. Some, such as welding, required little work, others have required a fair bit of discussion with the originators. We have only now (4-4-07) received the seismic revision to the LRFD Specifications (not to be confused with the Seismic Guidelines) and have not started to review them.

## Finances

Specific set-asides from our 2006-2007 budget (our Project Number 2557) now include only \$17,000 for Dr. Nowak's work on Section 8 provisions for timber.

We kept track of job charges to the 2006-2007 budget using the following set of project numbers which were in effect after August 18:

### PN2557 – LRFD Maintenance (2006-2007)

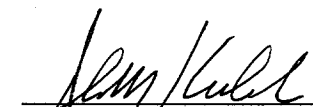
101 Technical Assistance  
102 Agenda Item Preparation  
103 Admin and QPR's

The following costs have been incurred since the start of the 2006-2007 budget. Significant direct expenses for services by others are noted.

### 2557 – LRFD Maintenance

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| Summary August 18, 2006 thru<br>December 31, 2006 - estimate | \$23,518.47               |
| Salary Costs – this quarter                                  |                           |
| 101 - Technical Assistance and Support                       | \$1,883.97                |
| 102 - Agenda Item Preparation                                | \$30,411.79               |
| 103 – QPR's and Admin  | \$959.87                  |
| Direct Expenses – this quarter                               |                           |
| 101 Technical Assistance and Support<br>Dennis R. Mertz      | \$900.00                  |
| <b>Subtotal for Quarter</b>                                  | <b>\$34,155.63</b>        |
| <b><u>Project Total – 2557</u></b>                           | <b><u>\$59,647.10</u></b> |

Very truly yours,

  
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President/CEO and Chief Engineer