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# January 10, 2007 (Transmitted By Email)

Mr. Kenneth Kobetsky AASHTO 444 N. Capitol Street, NW Suite 249 Washington, D.C. 20001

ATTN: Ms. Kelley Rehm

RE: QPR for Q4-06

PN2463 and PN 2557

Dear Sir and Madam:

## **Work Accomplished**

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

#### October 2006

- Monitored Bala Sivakumar of Lichtenstein Consulting Engineers addressing the LRFR issues resulting from '05 SCOBS resulting in the new MCE.
- Answered occasional inquiries of LRFD provisions.
- Helped identify issues needing review and resolution regarding '07 agenda items from NCHRP 12-62 and study on effective flange width.
- Dr. Mertz attended T-10 meeting at PCI Conference.

#### November 2006

- Continued to help identify issues needing review and resolution regarding '07 agenda items from NCHRP 12-62 and study on effective flange width. Activity on the proposed agenda item from NCHRP 12-62 picked up as large block of information from the researchers answering questions was received and several conference calls took place.
- Researched status of concrete shear provisions stemming from one of the more complicated 2006 agenda items to advise on any need for a 2007 clean-up item.
- Dr. Mertz attended T-10 meeting at ASBI Conference.

### December 2006

- Activity regarding the proposed '07 agenda item from NCHRP 12-62 up to the T-5 meeting.
- Continued to assist with on proposed agenda item on effective flange width.

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- Attended T-5 meeting in Dallas.
- Assisted with queries on '07 Interims.
- Reviewed to review outstanding T-5 issues with then incoming Chairman.
- Responded to questions from T-7 on deck design.

#### **Finances**

As of December 31, Lichtenstein has completed the LRFR tasks for which they had an allocation from our 2005-2006 budget (our project number 2463) and has invoiced \$74,798.71 of the \$75,000 from the LRFR budget item and \$14,952.77 of the \$15,000 Publications budget.

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.

#### PN2463 – LRFD Maintenance (2005-2006)

The following costs have been incurred since the start of the 2005-2006 budget. Significant direct expenses for services by others are noted.

| Project Total – 2463 thru August 18, 2006   | \$219,763.15 |
|---|--------------|
| Lichtenstein – Sept (Not incl. in 9-30 QPR) | \$15,074.37  |
| Lichtenstein - Dec                          | \$9,080.81   |

Total January, 2006 thru December, 2006 **\$243,918.33** 

We keep 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.

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### 2557 - LRFD Maintenance

Summary August 18, 2006 thru September 30, 2006 - estimate

\$2,149.93\*

Salary Costs - this quarter

101 - Technical Assistance & Support

\$10,107.99

103 - QPR's and Admin

\$839.88

Direct Expenses – this quarter

101 Technical Assistance & Support

Dennis R. Mertz John M. Kulicki \$7,840.25

\$680.61

Subtotal for quarter

\$19,468.73

Project Total - 2557

\$21,618.66

Looking ahead, we are aware of significant agenda items being proposed by T-3 and T-5. Some Items are also being prepared by T-10, T-14 and T-2. We have only seen the preliminary T-5 items. We understand second hand that the T-3 items will not be ready until March. All told, it looks like some busy months ahead.

Very truly yours,

JOHN M. KULICKI, Ph.D., P.E., President/CEO and Chief Engineer

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<sup>\*</sup>This the final figure for August 18 through September 30, 2006. Q3 QPR had an estimate number.