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The purpose of this modification is to (1) increase the ceiling of the subject contract, and (2) provide funding in the amount of \$38,912.00 which increases the obligated amount from \$489,577.00 to \$528,489.00. This increase is for replacement of the accelerometer equipment that was destroyed by lightning as detailed in the December 17, 1993 letter from the University of California, Santa Barbara (UCSB) (Attachment 1). The letter and replacement cost proposal (also provided by UCSB) are hereby incorporated under the subject contract (Attachment 2). Accordingly, the subject contract is modified as follows:

- 1. Under Section B.3, "CONSIDERATION AND OBLIGATION--COST PLUS FIXED FEE," paragraphs a and c are hereby revised to read as follows:
  - "a. The total estimated cost to the Government for full performance on this contract is \$528,489.00."
  - "c. The amount obligated by the Government with respect to this contract is \$528,489.00."

All other terms and conditions under this contract remain unchanged.

Total FY 92 Obligation Amount: \$150,000.00
Total FY 93 Obligation Amount: \$223,000.00
Total FY 94 Obligation Amount: \$155,489.00

Cumulative Total of NRC Obligations: \$528,489.00

This modification obligated FY 94 funds in the amount of \$38,912.00.



December 17, 1993

Dr. Andrew Murphy Office of Nuclear Regulatory Research U. S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission 5650 Nicholson Lane Rockville, MD 20852

Dear Andy,

In our monthly report of March 12, 1993, for the NRC contract NRC 04-92-050, we reported that the electronics of the accelerometer at 55 m depth were destroyed by a lightning. We need to replace this crucial instrument. This accelerometer is the critical link to our understanding of the transfer function between the bedrock and the soil column above. The accelerograms collected at 55 m are the benchmark for the response of the granite 'halfspace.' The most common assumption in site response studies is that the granitic medium is totally transparent to the seismic waves, i.e., the granite has nearly zero effect on the attenuation/amplification of the seismic waves. But this assumption may not be true. By comparing the data at 55 m with that at 220 m we can determine the rock response that is later used to deduce the soil response of the medium above 55 m. The data at 55 m also represent the amount of energy leaking back into the bedrock below the weathered granite/soil column. In a sense the 55 m accelerometer is the gate between the bedrock and the soil. If we don't understand how this gate operates, we will have a large uncertainty in our analysis of the linear/nonlinear response of the soil column.

We are proposing a different method of coupling the accelerometer to the borehole that will allow us to extract the accelerometer in case of any future damage. Of course, we will not be casing this hole with steel. The new design calls for using a packer to push the accelerometer against the borehole wall. The accelerometer casing and the packer are one integrated package to be built by Baski, Inc. Tests done by the Southwest Research Center show that oscillations arising from motions of the packer are above 1500 Hertz—well out of the range of frequencies being

measured.

A proposed budget is attached. One final note: the cost of a dual-gain downhole accelerometer has gone up by 37% in the past year. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Ralph J. Archuleta Professor of Geophysics

cc: Mary Jo Mattia, NRC, Contracts and Grants Donna Jones, UCSB, Contracts and Grants

Enclosure: 55 Meter Accelerometer Estimated Expernses

## ITACHMENT 2

## 55 METER ACCELEROMETER ESTIMATED EXPENSES

DESCRIPTION	MODEL	VENDOR	QUAN.	\$ EACH	\$ TOTAL
ACCELEROMETER/PACKER ASSEMBLY	Inn Control	Town 1.1		#0 F00	60 500
Downhole Accelerometer	FBA-13DH	Kinemetrics		\$6,500	\$6,500
Downhole Cable		South Bay	240	\$5.50	\$1,320
Accelerometer/Cable Connector Set		Sea Con	1 1	\$1,400	\$1,400
Packer/Accelerometer Housing Assembly		Baski	11	\$10,000	\$10,000 \$19,220
TOTAL ACCELEROMETER					
DOWNHOLE INSTALLATION					
Drill and Case Hole, Help With Installation ¶		Crum	1	\$8,435	\$8,435
Oil Field Tubing, 2-3/8"			240	\$8	\$1,920
TOTAL DOWNHOLE INSTALLATION					
MISCELLANEOUS		-			
Additional Lightning Protection			1	\$250	\$250
Misc. Hardware - Cable Protectors, Support Structure, Etc.			1	\$2,000	\$2,000
Travel, 4 People, 2 Days ¶			8	\$75	\$600
		UCSB Geology	1	\$300	\$300
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<sup>¶</sup> Subject to overhead, no sales tax.

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