

MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING
BETWEEN
APPLIED TECHNOLOGY COUNCIL
CALIFORNIA UNIVERSITIES FOR RESEARCH IN EARTHQUAKE ENGINEERING
AND
THE STRUCTURAL ENGINEERS ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA
(September 28, 1992)

WHEREAS Applied Technology Council (ATC), The California Universities for Research in Earthquake Engineering (CUREe) and the Structural Engineers Association of California (SEAOC) each have as a common goal the protection of the public through the mitigation of earthquake hazards, and;

WHEREAS each of the organizations is a non-profit tax exempt corporation without proprietary interest, and;

WHEREAS each organization possesses special skills which when utilized in conjunction with each other give the potential to optimize the impact on the improvement of seismic design and analysis, and;

WHEREAS ATC identifies needs for research, develops research programs, coordinates the execution of research programs and develop consensus opinions on structural engineering issues, and;

WHEREAS the purpose of CUREe is to promote and perform earthquake engineering research and education, and the membership consists of researchers of great eminence and international reputation who use state-of-the-art research facilities, and;

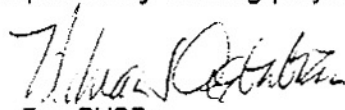
WHEREAS SEAOC's membership is made up of world preeminent structural engineers who apply the results of research in day to day practice and are responsible for the development of one of the most acclaimed Lateral Force design recommendations, and;

WHEREAS there is an urgent public need for improved techniques and procedures in Earthquake Engineering based upon adequate research, and;

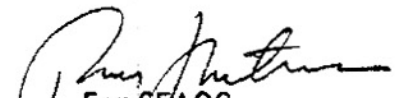
WHEREAS many such development projects could be most effectively accomplished by a joint effort of ATC, CUREe and SEAOC, NOW THEREFORE;

BE IT RESOLVED that the ATC, CUREe and SEAOC agree in principle to jointly seek and perform earthquake engineering research and application projects that are of primary benefit to the citizens of California and that are consistent with the governing rules and policies of each organization, further;

BE IT RESOLVED that while this memorandum promotes joint participation and encourages communication between parties on potential projects, nothing shall prohibit any party from independently seeking projects.


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