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RE: Invitation Letter for Research Meetings and UCSD Testing

Dear Mr. Tsunetzawa:

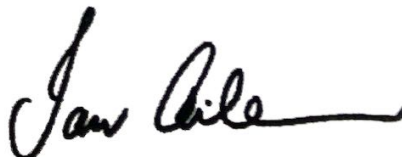
With this letter I would like to extend our invitation to you to visit the U.S. for meetings and discussions regarding your research on the analytical prediction of the nonlinear behavior of elastomeric seismic isolation bearings, and to observe multi-axial testing of large seismic devices.

I propose the following activities for your visit:

- Meetings and discussions with SIE and researchers at the University of California, Berkeley, regarding your work to extend Professor Kikuchi's state-of-the-art seismic isolation bearing analytical models to the structural analysis platform, OpenSees;
- An approximately two-day visit to the Seismic Response Modification Device (SRMD) Testing Facility at the University of California at San Diego (UCSD) to observe large-scale, multi-axial testing of seismic devices.

An ideal time for your visit would be in the middle to later part of November, 2014. Please let me know if you will be able to come to the U.S., and I will proceed with detailed arrangements for the meetings and UCSD visit.

Sincerely Yours,
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