



## MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING REGARDING EDUCATIONAL, SCIENTIFIC, AND CULTURAL COOPERATION

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The parties to this Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) are the College of Engineering at the University of Washington, an institution of higher education and an agency of the State of Washington, with its principal campus located in Seattle, Washington, USA, and the Korea Institute of Carbon Convergence Technology (KCTECH), a research institute for carbon fiber material located in Cheonju-shi, Republic of Korea.

### **A. Background and Purpose**

The parties believe that it is in their best interests to encourage direct contact and cooperation between their researchers, departments, institutes and other research centers in order to foster the development of possible collaborative projects and activities in the fields described in Section B, subject to the availability of funding and the development of specific binding agreements. The parties have entered into this MOU for the purpose of setting forth their mutual understanding and agreement with respect to such direct contact and the development of potential cooperative programs.

### **B. Discussion and Development of Possible Collaboration**

Both parties agree to discuss and explore opportunities for collaboration in scientific research and development in the areas of carbon fiber materials. These discussions may include any of the following:

1. Joint research on carbon composite materials and technologies;
2. Joint proposals for technology collaboration on projects;
3. Potential opportunities for training, education and market development;
4. Exchange of researchers and personnel;
5. Other areas of interest to both parties.

C. The parties anticipate that specific collaborative projects or activities that the parties wish to implement will, as appropriate, be undertaken pursuant to future agreements entered into in accordance with applicable law and the rules of each party.

### **D. Continuation of All Current Policies**

During the course of the discussions contemplated by this MOU, the parties will continue to operate their respective academic programs in accordance with their established policies, rules and procedures.

JOINT COMMUNIQUE IN COMMEMORATION OF THE 50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY  
OF THE SISTER STATE RELATIONSHIP  
BETWEEN  
THE STATE OF WASHINGTON, U.S.A. AND HYOGO PREFECTURE, JAPAN

The State of Washington, U.S.A. and Hyogo Prefecture, Japan established a sister state relationship on October 22, 1963. Since then, this relationship has developed across a wide variety of fields, including education, culture, and business.

Over the years, we have successfully solidified ties fueled by exchanges, which have included the establishment of the Hyogo Business & Culture Center in Washington State, the promotion of cultural and economic activities through sister city partnerships between 12 cities in Washington and 10 cities in Hyogo, and friendly exchanges between sister high schools and university programs.

The year 2013 marks the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of this unique sister state relationship. On this memorable occasion, the Hyogo Friendship Mission is visiting the state of Washington. It consists of representatives of the Hyogo Prefectural Government, municipalities that have sister relations with cities in Washington State, and citizens from all walks of life. The Hyogo delegation will be participating in ceremonial events and celebrating this long-standing friendship together with the citizens of Washington State.

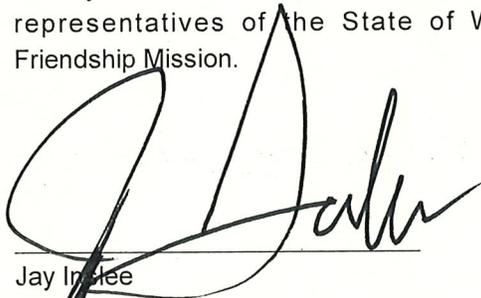
The State of Washington and Hyogo Prefecture share the belief that it is important to address issues and threats common to all humanity, such as large-scale disasters, environmental degradation, disease, illness and terrorism. The State of Washington and Hyogo Prefecture also recognize that international exchange starts from grassroots interaction at the person-to-person level. It is our hope that through grassroots programs in the fields of economy, culture, education, the environment, and disaster risk reduction, our Sister State relationship will contribute to the resolution of global issues and foster world peace.

In recognition of the past half a century of friendship and cooperation and our desire for continued peace and prosperity between our two regions, we hereby agree to the following fundamental objectives:

1. The State of Washington and Hyogo Prefecture will continue to promote mutual exchanges in the fields of business, culture, tourism and education. In addition, the State of Washington and Hyogo Prefecture will encourage independent goodwill and exchange activities of local governments, educational institutions, private organizations and citizens of the two regions.
2. The State of Washington and Hyogo Prefecture will collaborate to address global issues, such as environment and disaster management and the use of clean energy in collaboration with other local governments around the world.

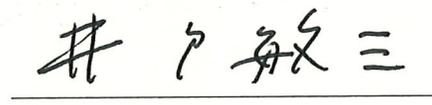
3. In order to further the economic growth of the two regions, the State of Washington and Hyogo Prefecture will work with business interests in both regions to promote the expansion of trade and investment opportunities.
4. The State of Washington and Hyogo Prefecture will encourage citizens of both regions to interact through visits between our Sister States. To facilitate such grassroots interaction, the State of Washington and Hyogo Prefecture will work to increase the number of direct flights between the two regions.
5. The State of Washington and Hyogo Prefecture will promote academic and research exchanges between universities in both regions and between the American Society for Public Administration and the Hyogo Administrative Policy Studies Association. In addition, The State of Washington and Hyogo Prefecture will work to enrich exchange programs for researchers and international students.

This joint communiqué of August 19, 2013, is signed in the presence of representatives of the State of Washington and participants of the Hyogo Friendship Mission.



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Jay Inlee  
Governor  
State of Washington



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Toshizo Ido  
Governor  
Hyogo Prefecture

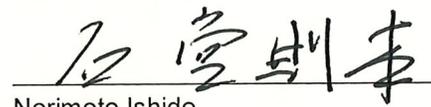
Witness:



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Brad Owen  
Lieutenant Governor  
State of Washington

Witness:



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Norimoto Ishido  
The 116<sup>th</sup> Speaker  
Hyogo Prefectural Assembly