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**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Dr. Juan Sanchez, Vice President for Research

**VIA:** Dr. Randall Charbeneau, Associate Dean for Research  
College of Engineering

**FROM:** Gary A. Pope, Director *Gary A. Pope*

**DATE:** September 11, 2006

**SUBJECT:** Sand Control and Hydraulic Fracturing-Industrial Affiliates Program

Dr. Charbeneau, after review of the attached agreement and list of projects to establish a new Industrial Affiliates (IA) Program for Sand Control and Hydraulic Fracturing (directed by Dr. Mukul M. Sharma), please indicate your recommendation below and forward this memo and the enclosed materials to Dr. Sanchez.

Enclosed is an agreement that is being presented to the Office of Sponsored Projects as a request to establish a new IA Program. We anticipate 6 to 12 participants in this program.

Consistent with all other IA Programs, no indirect costs are associated with the program because no intellectual property rights are granted and there are no required deliverables; however, an annual workshop is to be held and publications resulting from the Program are provided to the participants.

Please let me know if I can provide any additional information regarding this request.

Thank you.

Enclosures

*R. Charbeneau 9/14/06*

Dr. Randall Charbeneau      Approved:  Yes       No

Dr. Juan Sanchez              Approved:  Yes       No

*J. Sanchez*