MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING

between

Japan Accreditation Board for Engineering Education (JABEE)

and

China Association for Science and Technology (CAST)

Whereas:

- (A) **JABEE** acknowledges its commitment to enhancing the quality of engineering education and has experience in engineering accreditation system in Japan;
- (B) CAST acknowledges its commitment to enhancing the quality of engineering education and has experience in engineering accreditation system in People's Republic of China;
- (C) **JABEE** and **CAST** share an interest in promoting quality assurance in engineering education worldwide;
- (D) JABEE and CAST are interested in promoting cooperation between the two organizations in Japan and China;
- JABEE and CAST agree to collaborate in matters related to engineering education and accreditation activities. To establish linkages for cooperation, they agree to:
- 1. Develop procedures to facilitate the exchange of representatives to observe the accreditation evaluation activities of both **JABEE** and **CAST**;
- 2. Collaborate in the development of workshops to promote principles and practices to address current needs of either party for the benefit of promoting development of accreditation of engineering education;
- 3. Develop substantial equivalency in accreditation system under scope of the Washington Accord, through information and document exchange, and review of each other's accreditation procedures;
- 4. Conduct activities under the framework of accreditation of engineering programs in enhancing benefits of both organizations;
- 5. Discuss and settle direct and indirect expenses associated with the delivery of workshops, training, technical assistance and other such activities related to this Memorandum of Understanding prior to the execution of any projects or services.

This agreement is valid from the day it is signed by both parties and shall be reviewed at any time either party wishes to make substantial changes to the terms contained herein.

This agreement may be terminated by either party upon six months written notice to the other.

Agreed on: January 12, 2007

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