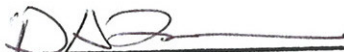


THE UNIVERSITY OF BRITISH COLUMBIA


FORWARDED TO: BOARD OF GOVERNORS ON RECOMMENDATION
OF PRESIDENT STEPHEN TOOPE

APPROVED FOR SUBMISSION:



David H. Farrar
Acting President and Vice-Chancellor

DATE: July 21, 2010

PRESENTED BY:  John Hepburn, Vice President Research and International



DATE OF MEETING: Special Resolution

SUBJECT: **National Research Council of Canada Amendment No. 1 to
Contribution Agreement for TRIUMF**

DECISION REQUESTED: That the Board authorize the signing officers of the University to execute the Amendment No. 1 to the Contribution Agreement currently in place between the National Research Council of Canada and the members of TRIUMF.

BACKGROUND:

TRIUMF is Canada's national laboratory for particle and nuclear physics. It is located on the University's Point Grey campus. It is a joint venture of 11 Canadian Universities (the "TRIUMF Members").

TRIUMF receives the majority of its funding from the National Research Council of Canada ("NRC"). The funding is provided by way of 5 year contribution agreements between the NRC and each of the TRIUMF Members on behalf of the Joint Venture. On April 1, 2010 the NRC and the TRIUMF Members executed an interim funding agreement for the operation of TRIUMF effective to July 31, 2010. NRC has requested that TRIUMF Member execute an amendment to this agreement that will extend funding for TRIUMF for the five year period ending to March 31, 2015. The TRIUMF Members received this request on July 13, 2010 and it must be signed by July 31, 2010 to ensure the uninterrupted funding for TRIUMF.

Key features of the agreement are:

- the agreement is substantially the same form as the previous contribution agreements that TRIUMF has executed with the NRC;

- the liability of each university under the agreement is restricted to 1/11 of the total liability arising from the agreement.
- the effective term of the agreement will be the five year period from April 1, 2010 to March 31, 2015;
- the funding amount during the agreement term is \$222,300,000.00;

The form of the agreement has been reviewed and approved by the Office of the University Counsel.

It is recommended that the UBC Board of Governors authorize the signing officers of the University to execute Amendment No. 1 to the Contribution Agreement.