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To: Staff and Secretaries

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Subject: Laboratory Contracts, Accounts and Bi-weekly Reports

Abstract: Commencing July 1, 1951 there will be some changes in the contracts and D.I.C. account numbers under which the Laboratory operates. This memorandum will explain these changes.

D.I.C. 6345, Navy contract N5ori-06001, Task Order 1.

This has been the basic contract of the Laboratory for some time. During the fiscal year just ending, over half of the operating funds in this contract have been supplied by the Air Force. During the next year this contract will be a much smaller fraction of the Laboratory effort and will include only Navy funds. The work will include three items: (a) scientific and engineering applications, (b) partial support of computer maintenance, (c) research on computer components. The work which has previously been reported in a 6345 bi-weekly will now be reported in a general laboratory bi-weekly.

D.I.C. 6782, Navy contract N5ori-06002, Task Order 2.

This is an applications project which has been led by R. A. Nelson and is being extended for the next year. The work will be reported, as before, in a separate bi-weekly report. Since most of the work is classified, the distribution of the report will in general be limited.

D.I.C. 6889, Air Force contract AF19(122)-458

This contract will be the main support of the Laboratory for the next year. All Air Force support of the Laboratory is now in this contract. In the past year Air Force funds were partly in D.I.C. 6673 and partly in D.I.C. 6345 as noted above. Roughly 90% of all materials to be purchased will now come under D.I.C. 6889.

D.I.C. 6751

This is an account for research on the oil reservoir problem. It is wholly supported by M.I.T.

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D.I.C. 6772

This is an M.I.T. salary allocation account. It is simply a bookkeeping convenience from which salaries in our Laboratory are charged to the above accounts.

D.I.C. 6595

This is an M.I.T. account for building maintenance.

D.I.C. 6673, Air Force contract AF28(099)-45

Originally an air traffic study, later redirected to other Air Force work which has been directed by Wieser. This contract expires June 30, 1951 and the work will continue under D.I.C. 6889. The former 6673 bi-weekly will appear as a classified 6889 bi-weekly for limited distribution.

Accounting

Our administrative office will allocate salaries among the above accounts and will advise our purchasing department on what materials are to be ordered on accounts other than D.I.C. 6889.

Reports

To recapitulate the above on reports, we will issue the following bi-weekly reports:

- (a) D.I.C. 6772 - classified - as before
- (b) Applications report - classified - former 6673 bi-weekly
- (c) Laboratory bi-weekly - all unclassified material, essentially former 6345 bi-weekly.

No decision has been made on the exact content of future summary reports.

Signed


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