The 7th U.S.-Japan Workshop on the Earthquake Resistant Design of Lifeline Facilities and Countermeasures Against Liquefaction will be held at the Sheraton Seattle Hotel and Towers after the 5th U.S. Conference on Lifeline Earthquake Engineering on May 15-17, 1999. This workshop will explore the state-of-the-art of lifeline resistant design, and measures to model and mitigate soil liquefaction effects on lifelines with leading U.S. and Japanese researchers and practicing engineers. The workshop will continue the exchange of ideas and experiences which have proved to be of substantial benefit in previous U.S.-Japan collaborations. Six previous workshops have been held in Tokyo (1988 and 1996), Buffalo (1989), San Francisco (1990), Honolulu (1992) and Snowbird, UT (1994). These workshops have had a significant effect on research directions, improved engineering practices, and international collaboration to reduce seismic hazards and advance infrastructure management. About 50 U.S. and Japanese participants will be involved in the upcoming workshop.

The workshop is being sponsored by Caltrans, MCEER, and NSF. Participation is by invitation only. For additional information, please refer to the workshop web site at http://rccg03.usc.edu/seattle99.