## AMENDMENT TO THE ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN THE UNITED STATES GEOLOGICAL SURVEY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA AND MINISTERIO DE AMBIENTE Y ENERGÍA OF THE REPUBLIC OF COSTA RICA

SUBJECT: Groundwater exploration and assessment in the Republic of Costa Rica

<u>LEGAL BASIS</u>: On November 15, 2016, an Arrangement was signed between the United States Geological Survey and the Ministry of Environment and Energy of the Republic of Costa Rica.

<u>GENERAL CONSIDERATIONS:</u> That according to the section "AMENDMENTS" established in the Arrangement, it is indicated the possibility of making the necessary changes between the parties in order to accomplish the objective of the arrangement.

According to the fact that the execution of the project could not be started on the dates set originally, the section "FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS" should be modified as follows:

## **FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS:**

The USGS is a Federal Government Agency and such a non-profit entity, will develop the products indicated in Annex 1 for an amount of USD \$1,458,243, which covers the basic costs to generate these products.

These costs will be covered by MINAE, for which MINAE will make a transfer of funds to the USGS.

The total amount of USD \$1,458,243 will be transferred completely from MINAE to the USGS in 2017, maximum 30 days after the General Comptroller of the Republic of Costa Rica has endorsed the Arrangement and the Amendment.

The execution of the pro ance the transfer has been made. nnual progress reports to the program manager and administrative staff of USGS will submit semi MINAE. **SIGNATURES:** INICACIONES ne Ministerio de Ambiente y Energía For the USGS: Edgar E. Gutiérrez Espeleta Vic Labson Director Minister AMBIA Ministerio de Ambiente y Energía Office of International Programs, USGS 41-5-17 3/15/17

Date