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COASTAL ENVIRONMENTAL SYSTEMS
**Official evaluation of Coastal's performance on a National
Weather Service project is in!**

Seattle, WA: Coastal Environmental Systems, Inc. has completed, and been evaluated on, phase 1 of the Fischer-Porter Upgrade for the National Weather Service (NWS). The Fischer-Porter Upgrade is the NWS' plan to modernize its century-old method of using nationwide observers to manually record and report climatic data.

Coastal was awarded the contract for its high-tech weather equipment to replace, in many cases, paper forms and pencils. Coastal's automated data acquisition systems will also be replacing existing elementary gauges, frequently at the same locations.

Following is Coastal's official evaluation from the NWS on the recently completed 1st phase of the Upgrade project:

- (1) *Quality* – High quality and innovative product – **rating 4 of 4**
- (2) *Cost Control* – Product is being supplied at a negotiated price – **rating 4 of 4**
- (3) *Timeliness of Performance* – Product was delivered on an extended schedule. Gov't witnessed first article was not completed on time. Required second delayed visit to complete. Product delivery extended due to parts availability – **rating 3 of 4**
- (4) *Business Relations* – Well-organized and accessible personnel, with clear lines of authority – **rating 4 of 4**
- (5) *Customer* – Users love the technology improvement – **rating 4 of 4**

Overall numerical rating: 3.8 of possible 4.0

(6) *Key Personnel:*
Gary Stringer – Effective
Eric Tseo – Effective
Paula Lau - Effective

(7) *Would you select this firm again?*
Yes, even with the starts and stops of this program, Coastal took a complex process, made the product look simple and succeeded in hiding the complexity for the non-technical users.