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**SCHEDULE I / ITEM 6**

**September 2002**

**MAP PROJECTIONS AND CARTOGRAPHY**

**Note: This examination consists of 9 questions on 1 page.**

**Marks**

**Q.No**

**Time: 3 hours**

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| 1.                  | What information and data manipulation is necessary to locate the elements of several, independently made, large-scale "as-built" plans (e.g. several plans of pipeline sections at the scale 1:250) on a small-scale topographic map (e.g. 1:50,000) for a very large region such as a Province? How one can minimize this integration effort by proper a priori planning?  | 20         |          |
| 2.                  | Explain the complete mapping process that takes place when one measures very precisely the position of several points on the Earth, produces a map with these data, plans the building of a new infrastructure (e.g. a bridge), and goes back to the field to implement this new infrastructure. Identify the information needed and the data manipulation required.   | 20         |          |
| 3.                  | Why are there different map projections? Different datums? Different coordinate systems? What is the impact on integrating data from different maps into a GIS?  | 10         |          |
| 4.                  | Several GIS packages offer a function called "address matching". Define what "address matching" is and analyze the mapping precision of address matching.  | 5          |          |
| 5.                  | Two of the major divisions or classifications of map projections in common use are "conformal" and "equivalent". Define these two terms. There also exist hybrid projections. Define what a hybrid projection is and what is an aphylactic projection.   | 10         |          |
| 6.                  | The Federal Government uses the UTM projection for topographic maps at the scale 1:50,000. What are the characteristics of this projection:<br>a) planar or cylindrical or conic projection?<br>b) tangent or secant to the ellipsoid?<br>c) scale factor at the central meridian is 0.9996 or 1.0000 or 1.0004?<br>d) normal or transverse or oblique projection?<br>e) X value at the central meridian is 0 m. or 304,800m. or 1,000,000 m.? | 10         |          |
| 7.                  | Maps can be represented in vector and raster formats. Describe each format. Select the best format for a GIS application dealing with a large-scale municipal application where individual objects have attributes and may be linked to objects not represented on the map (ex. to the owner of a building).   | 10         |          |
| 8.                  | Precisely speaking, is the scale a constant value in a 1:50,000 map? Explain.  | 10         |          |
| 9.                  | What is the role of the toponymy on a topographic map?<br>What are the difficulties related to name placement on a map?  | 5          |          |
| <b>Total Marks:</b> |  | <b>100</b> | <b>0</b> |