



# MEDIA ADVISORY

## U.S. ARMY CHEMICAL MATERIALS AGENCY

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### U.S. Army Chemical Materials Agency End of Operations Ceremony

**WHAT:** The U.S. Army Chemical Materials Agency (CMA) is hosting a formal ceremony in recognition of CMA's Jan. 21, 2012, successful completion of its stockpile disposal mission. CMA destroyed nearly 90 percent of the United States' declared chemical agent stockpile—more than 27,000 tons of chemical nerve and blister agents, contained in more than 2.3 million munitions and bulk containers—a major achievement for CMA and its systems contractors.

Notable attendees/speakers at the ceremony include leadership from the Organisation for the Prohibition of Chemical Weapons; Assistant Secretary of Defense (Threat Reduction and Arms Control); Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army (Elimination of Chemical Weapons); Assembled Chemical Weapons Alternatives and CMA.

**WHO:** The End of Operations ceremony is open to Aberdeen Proving Ground's workforce and the media.

**WHY:** To recognize the successful completion of CMA's chemical agent stockpile disposal mission.

**WHEN:** May 17, 2012, at 2 p.m.

**WHERE:** Chemical Demilitarization Training Facility (CDTF) on Aberdeen Proving Ground (Edgewood Area), Md.

Media representatives planning to attend should contact CMA Public Affairs at (410) 436-2583 or email [pamela.a.shelley.civ@mail.mil](mailto:pamela.a.shelley.civ@mail.mil).

Media representatives should arrive at the Aberdeen Proving Ground, Edgewood Area, Route 24 Gate Visitors Center no later than 1:15 p.m., and must have a photo ID such as a driver's license, as well as a media ID. Media representatives will be escorted from the gate to the CDTF and should be in place no later than 1:45 p.m.

For more information, please contact the CMA Public Affairs Office at (410) 436-3629 or email [hqcmmapao@apgea.army.mil](mailto:hqcmmapao@apgea.army.mil).

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