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### ***President Signs Defense Appropriations Act for 2005***

President George W. Bush signed H.R. 4613, the Defense Appropriations Act for Fiscal Year 2005, in Washington, D.C., on Aug. 5, 2004.

The bill contains funding for the destruction of the chemical agent stockpile and the Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program.

A significant aspect of this Act as it affects CSEPP is that it restricts Operations and Maintenance funding to a one-year period of availability. Because of the one-year restriction, all FY2005 CSEPP O&M funds must be completely obligated by Sept. 30, 2005. This means that the ability to reallocate O&M funds will be much more limited. State and local agencies will need to ensure high accuracy in their FY2005 budgets and spending plans and quarterly financial reports.

[\(see CSEPP-related language: H.R. 4613 pg 3\)](#)

### ***Ormond Named Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for the Elimination of Chemical Weapons***

Hon. Claude M. Bolton Jr., Assistant Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology designated Dale Ormond as the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for the Elimination of Chemical Weapons (DASA(ECW)) on July 26. Ormond's duties will include policy development, management and oversight of the Army's execution of the chemical demilitarization program. He has an extensive career in nuclear management, safety and disposal. His background includes positions as a nuclear submarine officer, intelligence analyst, nuclear engineer and facility site manager.

Ormond is a U.S. Naval Academy graduate and veteran of the nuclear navy. He earned a master's degree in Environmental Systems Engineering at Clemson University after graduating from Annapolis. His naval career includes service aboard the USS Sturgeon, a fast-attack nuclear submarine. He was later assigned to the Naval Intelligence Command as an intelligence analyst.

Ormond's post-military career includes positions with the Department of Energy in nuclear safety management and disposal. He served as a nuclear engineer at DOE's Office of the Department Liaison to the Defense Nuclear Facility's Safety Board. He was transferred later to DOE's Savannah River Site to oversee the safe storage, treatment and disposal of transuranic waste.

In 2002, Ormond transferred to the Department of Defense to manage chemical demilitarization. He later became site manager for the Tooele Chemical Agent Disposal Facility at Deseret Chemical Depot. Deputy Project Manager for Operations and Engineering Thaddeus (Ted) A. Ryba Jr. will serve as the acting site project manager at Tooele.

### ***CSEPP States Send Help to Florida under EMAC***

Florida is receiving support to assist with response and recovery from Hurricanes Frances and Charley. Disaster Medical Assistance Teams, Urban Search and Rescue Teams and additional emergency management resources are being deployed to Florida. In the wake of the two hurricanes, the State of Florida and the Federal Emergency Management Agency are receiving support under the Emergency Management Assistance Compact (EMAC) from several states including Alabama and

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*CSEPP Sends Help (cont.)*

Kentucky. According to the National Emergency Management Agency (NEMA), eight different states have provided EOC staff members, donations management specialists, emergency services incident management teams and housing assistance coordinators to aid in the Hurricane Charley relief efforts. Alabama, Mississippi, Texas and Georgia also provided helicopters.

Additional emergency management personnel from New Mexico, Alabama and Iowa have been deployed to the Department of Homeland Security's National Emergency Operations Center in Washington, D.C., to facilitate mutual aid in coordination with federal agencies.

Hurricane Charley hit the western shore of Florida on Aug. 13, and caused at least 23 deaths and devastating property damage across the state. The storm weakened as it went back out to sea near Daytona Beach and then made landfall again near the North Carolina and South Carolina Border.

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***CSEPP Receives Awards for Innovation***

The Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP) received two top awards during the GOVSEC, U.S. Law and READY! 2004 Expo and Conference in Washington, D.C., July 2004 at the Washington Convention Center.

CSEPP's risk-based acquisition process received a Profiles in Innovation Award. This award is presented annually to recognize achievements, contributions and excellence in government security, law enforcement and emergency preparedness and response.

Daniel Civis, FEMA's Chemical Preparedness Section Chief, credited CSEPP partners for the program's success. "This honor is shared by State and local emergency managers and first responders who partner with FEMA and the

Army in improving their ability to protect their citizens," he said after the ceremony.

CSEPP received an additional honor when Innovative Emergency Management, Inc. received the Product/Service Impact Award for developing QEM-World™—a risk-based decision support tool.

"Pinpointing which activities are most critical to prevention, preparedness and response enables you to focus efforts there," said Ted Lemcke, IEM Vice President of Core Technologies, after accepting the award. "QEM-World™ also allows you to evaluate the impact of proposed improvement strategies and devote resources to those that demonstrate the most value".

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***Community Risk Reduction Continues***

In Aberdeen, Anniston and Tooele, the community risk has been substantially reduced as a result of the successful elimination of the chemical warfare agents. As the stockpile continues to be destroyed, the U.S. Army will provide periodic updates of the community risk profile.

On its one year anniversary, the Anniston facility has successfully destroyed approximately 80 percent of the GB rockets. The munitions destroyed to date accounted for approximately 20% of the total storage risk in Anniston.

As of early August, the Aberdeen facility has destroyed approximately 29% percent of its mustard agent. Since the Aberdeen facility contains only mustard in one-ton containers, the risk to the community has been reduced by the same 29% figure.

Community risk reduction after eight years of disposal operations in Tooele is approximately 99%. Once the VX munitions are completely

#### Community Risk Reduction (cont.)

destroyed - expected in the spring of 2005 - the entire stockpile will consist of mustard agent. The mustard agent stockpile accounts for only 0.4% of the original storage risk.

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#### ***2005 National Workshop to be Held in Pueblo, Colorado***

Planning is under way for the 2005 CSEPP National Workshop to be held at the Pueblo, Colorado Convention Center June 28, 29 and 30, 2005. The Workshop Planning Committee has begun making arrangements for accommodations, transportation, practicum topic selections and other logistics.

Based on feedback from the 2004 Workshop in Seattle, a similar format will be followed in 2005 with plenary sessions on Tuesday and Thursday and Practicums on Tuesday afternoon and all day Wednesday. Initial planning is underway for receptions to be held Tuesday and Wednesday evenings. The first meeting of the Workshop Planning Committee will be held on Sept. 8, 2005, in Pueblo.

State CSEPP Directors and Managers will be briefed on the status of Workshop planning at their November meeting.

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#### ***CSEPP Strategic Plan Completed***

Army and FEMA CSEPP leadership met on Aug. 24 to finalize the draft CSEPP Strategic Plan.

The plan, developed along the guidelines of the Government Performance and Results Act, outlines a common mission, vision and goals for the program. The CSEPP National Benchmarks are the basis for the 12 goals identified in the plan.

As a next step, CMA and FEMA will consider the development of performance plans to articulate their annual execution goals. Both organizations already provide Congress annual reports identifying progress toward their organizational goals.

The final draft CSEPP Strategic Plan will be posted on the CSEPP Portal until Sept. 15 to allow interested stakeholders to review and comment. Any comments should be sent to [al.mauroni@hqda.army.mil](mailto:al.mauroni@hqda.army.mil).

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#### ***Managing CSEPP Towards Closure***

CSEPP manages Federal resources to fully meet the level of risk presented by the nation's chemical stockpile. As chemical agents and materials are eliminated, the overall risk to installations and nearby communities declines. The Army and FEMA plan to periodically evaluate the risk at stockpile sites to ensure appropriate levels of readiness.

These evaluations could uncover other issues that may raise or lower the level of risk to the public or work force requiring changes to the readiness posture. CSEPP will continue to

#### ***CSEPP-related language: H.R. 4613***

For expenses, not otherwise provided for, necessary for the destruction of the United States stockpile of lethal chemical agents and munitions in accordance with the provisions of section 1412 of the Department of Defense Authorization Act, 1986 (50 U.S.C. 1521), and for the destruction of other chemical warfare materials that are not in the chemical weapon stockpile, \$1,372,990,000, of which \$1,088,801,000 shall be for Operation and maintenance; \$78,980,000 shall be for Procurement to remain available until September 30, 2007; \$205,209,000 shall be for Research, development, test and evaluation to remain available until September 30, 2006; and no less than \$137,404,000 may be for the Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program, of which \$44,631,000 shall be for activities on military installations and \$92,773,000 shall be to assist State and local governments.

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### Managing CSEPP Towards Closure (cont.)

enhance and sustain existing emergency response capabilities at the installations and surrounding communities commensurate with the level of risk imposed by each site's portion of the stockpile. The Army and FEMA will

continue to work closely with the states and tribal, installation and local communities throughout this process to ensure a smooth transition to program closure.

## CSEPP National IPT Status

IPT	Charter Developed?	Charter Approved?	IPT Activity Highlights	Next Scheduled Meetings
<b>Automation</b> Chairs: Leigh Read, ANCA Mark Gonzales, Pueblo Co. CO	Yes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Continuing to assist in collection and resolution of D2-Puff issues</li> <li>Continuing to assist in development and implementation of WebPuff</li> </ul>	Early 2005 (Gulf Shores AL)
<b>Closeout</b> Chair: David Gilder, FEMA R3	Yes	Adopted by IPT, submission to DA/FEMA pending	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Three working groups established: Administrative Issues, Equipment/Facilities/Systems, and Policy Issues</li> <li>Preparing presentation for November State Directors' meeting</li> <li>Identified basic requirements for FEMA/Army Policy o closeout</li> </ul>	7 SEP 04 (Conf. call)
<b>Exercise</b> Chairs: Ron Barker, FEMA HQ Rich Brletich, Army CMA	Yes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Draft exercise schedules for calendar year 2006 and 2007 prepared</li> <li>Video for exercise evaluator course to be shot in October &amp; November 2004 Utah</li> <li>Final exercise "blue book" ready for program management approval</li> </ul>	14 SEP 04 (Evaluator Course Subgroup only) (Salt Lake City) 7-9 DEC 04 (Evaluator Course Subgroup only) (Edgewood MD)
<b>Medical</b> Chairs: Richard Alcorta, MIEMSS (MD) Jim Cody, Pueblo Co. CO	Yes	IPT reviewing DA & FEMA comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Developing recommendations for program management to define what constitutes a CSEPP participant hospital</li> <li>Finalizing Worker Protection Program</li> <li>Conducting medical curriculum train-the-trainer class-fall 2004</li> </ul>	31 AUG 04 (Conf. call) 28-30 SEP 04 (Chicago IL)
<b>Protective Actions</b> Chair: Marianne Rutishauser Andrus, Toole Co UT	Yes	IPT reviewing DA & FEMA comments	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Projections developed for cost of "Safe At Home"/CSEPP Challenge interactive product</li> <li>Request for SIP documentation going out to State and local planners; material is sought for inclusion in a Guidebook currently under development</li> <li>Introducing protective actions "tool kit" for planners at National Workshop</li> </ul>	31 AUG 04 (Conf. call)
<b>Public Affairs</b> Chairs: Steve Horwitz, FEMA HQ John Yaquiant, Army CMA	Yes	Yes	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Monitoring ongoing survey project- surveys in progress in several communities to measure residents' protective actions knowledge</li> <li>Subcommittee to developing IPT self-assessment tool</li> <li>Continuing implantation of Cyber-JIS concepts</li> </ul>	21-23 SEP 04 (Anniston AL)
<b>Planning Guidance Steering Group</b> Chairs: Joe Herring, FEMA HQ Darius Kwiedorowicz, Army CMA	N/A	N/A	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Planning Guidance Revision Team and Programmatic Guidance Revision Team established</li> <li>Automated planning tool under development</li> <li>Proposal made to National Emergency Management Association (NEMA) for CSEPP to be a NIMS pilot project</li> </ul>	19 AUG 04 (Conf. call)