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The Honorable Chet Edwards
Chairman
Subcommittee on Military Construction,
Veterans Affairs and Related Agencies
Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Chairman:

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United States Senate

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The Honorable Kay Bailey Hutchison Ranking Member



## Bid Expiration Date: Not Applicable Military Construction, Army Reserve Reprogramming Request

Installation:

Unspecified Locations

Project:

Planning and Design

Authorization:

Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2009,

Public Law 110-417

## Estimated Cost (\$000):

Previously Appropriated

14,883

Previously Reprogrammed

14,770

Requested Reprogramming

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**Total Estimated Costs** 

29,653

<u>Description</u>: This reprogramming action supports the parametric, concept, final design, and value engineering of major construction projects designated as Grow the Army (GTA) within the Military Construction, Army Reserve (MCAR) appropriation.

Justification: The Army Reserve has recently completed a review of its construction requirements and determined that the amount available for planning and design in its FY 2009 military construction budget was underestimated based on increases in GTA major construction requirements in FY 2010 and beyond. As planning and design is done 12-24 months prior to the projects being executed, this action will ensure that design is completed in time for scheduled construction timelines. This reprogramming will enable the completion of planning and designing of approximately 40 military construction projects essential to rebalancing and transforming the Army Reserve to an operational force.

Source of Funds: Bid savings from major construction projects will be used to finance the increase in FY 2009 planning and design.

		(Dollars in Thousands)		
	Fiscal	Amount	Current	Proposed
Location/Project	<u>Year</u>	<b>Appropriated</b>	<b>Estimate</b>	Reprogramming
New Century, Kansas Army Reserve Center PN 11815	2005	8,742	8,180	10
Fort Meade, MD Army Reserve Center PN 11492 *Includes below threshold reprograms	2005 ming	15,743*	15,733	10
Wausau, WI Army Reserve Center PN 00203	2006	10,987	8,810	4
Erie, PA Army Reserve Center PN 10966	2006	9,273	8,248	137
Fort McCoy, WI General Purpose Warehouse PN 10822	2007	13,744	10,649	946
Granite City, IL Army Reserve Center PN 10832	2007	20,935	15,841	2,756
Sioux Falls, SD Army Reserve Center PN 11254	2007	12,876	11,020	1,012
Menasha, WI Army Reserve Center PN 11370	2007	12,159	9,613	2,546
Fort Dix, NJ Combined Maint Facility PN 67430	2008	17,000	13,292	3,708

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Location/Project Fort McCoy, WI Reg Med Tng Fac PN 67432	Fiscal Year 2008	Amount Appropriated 8,523	Current Estimate 6,434	Proposed Reprogramming 2,001
Ellsworth, WI Army Reserve Center PN 67431	2008	9,100	7,417	1,640
PN = Project Number		•		

# Bid Expiration Date: September 18, 2009 Military Construction, Army Reserve Reprogramming Request

Installation: Fort Devens, Massachusetts

<u>Project</u>: Shoothouse, Project Number 65949

Authorization: Duncan Hunter National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2009,

Public Law 110-417

### Estimated Cost (\$000):

Previously Appropriated 1,900

Previously Reprogrammed -

Requested Reprogramming 1,543

Total Estimated Cost 3,443

Description: This project constructs a modified, standard-design, two-story live-fire exercise shoothouse. Primary facilities include the shoothouse, a command and control After Action Review (AAR) building, and a maintenance/storage building. Supporting items include electrical, sewage, communications, security lighting, fencing and other site improvements. This is one of Fort Devens' most critical training facility requirements. This range is used to train and to test more than 30,000 individual Soldiers annually on the skills necessary to identify, engage and defeat targets with the M16 and M4 rifles in an urban, live-fire scenario. Fort Devens supports Army Reserve and National Guard forces as one of the four main power projection platforms. Modern, target-dense training environments are important skill qualifiers for individual Soldiers.

Justification: This project was programmed based on cost estimates that assumed a competitive bidding process. However, the project was later designated to meet small business goals and was offered for solicitation to an 8A, sole-source small business. The Corps of Engineers (COE) independent Government estimate, performed upon completion of the design, was 29 percent above the original programmed amount, including options and accounting for adjustments for the small business sole-source acquisition strategy. The bid amount exceeds the original programmed amount by 81%. The proponent reviewed the project's scope and determined that scope reductions would not be adequate to bring the project within the originally programmed amount. The COE attempted to negotiate the contractor's proposals within the originally programmed

amount but was unable to reach an acceptable agreement. During the technical evaluation, which compared the contractor's proposal to the request for proposal, the contractor submitted subcontractor documentation that demonstrates a thorough understanding of the project requirements and supports the bid amount.

Source of Funds: Bid savings from the following will fund this project.

		(Dollars in Thousands)		
	Fiscal	Amount	Current	Proposed
Location/Project	<u>Year</u>	Appropriated	Estimate	Reprogramming
Fort McCoy, WI	2009	4,000	2,781	1,200
Automatic Qualification Training Range PN 65868				
Honolulu, HI Army Reserve Center PN 67583	2009	19,199	18,825	343
PN = Project Number				