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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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| Department of Army Fort Stewart, Georgia | Digital Multipurpose | 2007 | \$7,800,000 |
| | Range Complex PN 053572 | | |
| Various Locations, Worldwide | Minor Construction | 2008 | \$2,900,000 |
| Department of Navy Various Locations, Worldwide | Helicopter Support Facility, P-612 | 2007 | \$7,385,000 |
| Department of Air Force | | | |
| Keesler AFB, Mississippi | Postal Center Munitions Inspections Facility | 2006 2006 | \$1,300,000 \$400,000 |
| | Refueler Maintenance Facility | 2006 | \$500,000 |
| | Training Aids Facility | 2006 | \$2,700,000 |
| Defense-wide Pueblo Chemical Depot, Colorado | Defense Access Road | 2004 | \$5,721,000 |
| Army National Guard Various Locations, Worldwide | Minor Construction | 2008 | \$9,364,000 |

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Bid Expiration date: May 31, 2008 Military Construction, Army Reprogramming Request

Installation.

Fort Stewart, Georgia

Project.

Digital Multipurpose Range Complex, Project Number (PN) 053572

Authorization.

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2007

(P.L.109-364)

Estimated Cost (\$000):

Previously Appropriated 34,000 Previously Reprogrammed -

Requested Reprogramming 7,800

Total Estimated Cost 41,800

<u>Description.</u> The Digital Multipurpose Range Complex (DMPRC) project at Fort Stewart, Georgia will construct a two-lane DMPRC, a range operations center, an operations/storage building, a latrine, a bleacher enclosure, an after action review building, and an ammunition loading dock. Supporting facilities include connections to all required utilities, site work, paving, walks, curbs and gutters, and information systems. This project also demolishes three buildings (2,589 total square feet). As a result of increased costs, as well as terrain and wetland limitations, the project is planned to be awarded at 69% of the approved scope. However, the project will still provide a complete and usable facility that meets mission requirements and training objectives.

<u>Justification</u>. The Request for Proposal was issued in July 2007 and all of the proposals received in August 2007 exceeded the available funding. Market conditions in the southeast are leading to higher costs than were programmed for this project. Additionally, the infrastructure costs associated with electrical target requirements were significantly underestimated. Efforts to award within available funding were made by reducing scope, while not jeopardizing the operational requirements. Bids expire for this project on 31 May 2008.

Fort Stewart is home to the 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized) and as such, the installation must have the most modern range complex possible in order for the divisional units to train to standard and be prepared for engagements on tomorrow's battlefield. This range will provide current capabilities to compliment fielding of this new series of combat platforms to Air Defense Artillery (ADA), Armor, Aviation, and Infantry units.

The project is required to meet mission requirements; therefore, the Army requests a Congressional reprogramming to allow award of the Digital Multipurpose Range Complex.

<u>Source of Funds</u>. The following project has been cancelled and will be the source of funds used for this reprogramming action.

| Location/ Project | Fiscal <u>Year</u> | Amount Appropriated (\$000) | Current Working Estimate (\$000) | Proposed Reprogramming (\$000) |
|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Ft Bragg/ PN 55121, DMPRC-A | 2007 | 28,000 | - | 7,800 |

Bid Expiration Date: N/A Military Construction, Army Reprogramming Request

Installation:

Various

Project:

Unspecified Minor Military Construction

Authorization:

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008.

Estimated Cost (\$000):

| Previously Appropriated | 23,000 |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Previously Reprogrammed | , |
| Requested Reprogramming | 2,900 |
| Total Estimated Cost | 25,900 |

<u>Description</u>: 10 USC 2805 authorizes the Service Secretaries to carry out unspecified minor military construction projects not otherwise authorized by law.

<u>Justification</u>: The following projects were authorized as minor construction projects but appropriated as major construction projects. The Army requests a Congressional reprogramming to realign the projects from Major Construction to the Unspecified Minor Military Construction program.

Source of Funds: Projects to be realigned are as follows:

| Project/Location | Fiscal <u>Year</u> | Amount Appropriated (\$000) | Current Estimate (\$000) | Proposed Reprogramming (\$000) |
|---|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Camp Rudder, FL/ Dining Facility PN 69364 | 2008 | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,500 |
| Hawthorne AD, NV/ Railroad Line Spur PN 66487 | 2008 | 1,400 | 1,400 | 1,400 |

Bid Expiration Date: July 31, 2008 Military Construction, Navy

Reprogramming Report

Installation:

Various Locations, Worldwide

Project:

Helicopter Support Facility, P-612

Authorization:

John Warner National Defense Authorization Act for FY 2007.

P.L. 109-364

Estimated Cost (\$000):

| Previously Appropriated | \$12,185 |
|--|----------|
| Section 2853 (a) Below Threshold Reprogramming | 18 |
| Requested Reprogramming | \$ 7,385 |
| Total Estimated Cost | \$19,570 |

<u>Description</u>: This project is needed to provide for adequate and properly configured facilities to support operations and maintenance of the new generation aircraft to be assigned to the Marine Helicopter Squadron One (HMX 1). The VH-71 helicopters are scheduled to replace the current VH-3D and VH-60N airframes. The new hangar and support facilities must be available to support arrival of the new aircraft as Initial Operational Capability (IOC) is currently scheduled for the fall of 2010.

<u>Justification</u>: This project has been solicited and contractor bids have been received. The lowest acceptable bid is \$17.338 million which does not include contingency, SIOH and Post Construction Award Services. Including these items, the revised project total is \$19.570 million.

There is a \$2.2 million increase in cost for scope changes resulting from the following: an increase in the floor area; the addition of a pavement heating system; an enhanced bunk room for crew members; and the addition of enclosed vestibules in the Type I hangar module. The additional floor area increase of the hangar module is required to be able to accommodate two aircraft sitting side-by-side with their rotor blades fully extended. The original scope was based on providing a minimum area needed to shelter the two aircraft, one with its rotor blades extended and the other with the rotor blades folded back. However, the first "flight" of VH-71 does not have the rapid, automated rotor fold-back/fold-out capability. These aircraft will have folded rotor capability for air transport – this process takes 90 minutes and a minimum of five personnel to perform the folding

operation. The minimum operational requirements necessary for this alert mission require the hangar to accommodate two aircraft with the rotors fully extended. In addition during the final design submission review, it was determined that the aircraft rotor diameter needed to be increased by 3 feet to meet the increase in the maximum gross weight and operating distance per the Operational Requirements Document (ORD). This increased the floor area of the hangar bay needed to accommodate two aircraft sitting side-by-side with their rotor blades fully extended. An essential operational requirement was identified by HMX 1 resulting in the addition of a pavement heating system to keep the apron pavement free from ice and snow. The original design specified a large bunk room for the male crew members with a gang head and a small bunk room with a separate head for females. This design supported a crew of flight operations. maintenance and security personnel. Upon further examination, it was decided by HMX 1 that more suitable quality of life arrangements were required for the crews that often spend a week or more on site. The DoD 2+0 standard modules used for berthing transient personnel have been incorporated into the current design. Finally, the three side doors into the hangar will now have enclosed vestibules for energy conservation and continuity of the building design.

The escalation factors used to develop the parametric cost estimate for this project for budget submission have not kept up with actual market conditions experienced in the construction industry at this location. This has resulted in additional cost increases of \$4.5 million. Other contributing factors were higher than expected energy costs and unanticipated increases in the cost of materials.

Additional cost growth has resulted from bids with higher than projected special costs. The government estimate included an approximate 20 percent increase for unusual costs for this project, all of the received proposals have exceeded the 20 percent. Special costs include the site's mountainous location, the narrow winding access road, and security constraints which delay the start of each work day as well as requiring eyes-on security for all sub-contractor employees who do not have security clearances. The difficult access to the site has also created special fabrication requirements at an additional cost of \$0.7 million. The hangar bay will have five 140-foot long trusses with a depth of up to 10 feet, these trusses have to be delivered in pieces and assembled on-site. Lay-down and assembly areas will be very limited, making coordination of the delivery of the truss components costly and time sensitive.

In order to meet mission response and aircraft launch/recovery times, it is critical for these two aircraft to be protected within the new hangar during non-flight operations and inclement weather. The current IOC of fall 2010 for deploying the new aircraft coincides with anticipated completion of this project in July 2010, which will allow time for outfitting and systems commissioning.

The current design was developed with only the essential requirements needed to shelter the aircraft and flight crews. There are no additional project elements that can be reduced in scope and still meet standard regulations while maintaining a complete and usable facility. Value engineering methodologies were employed to identify further cost savings, to include materials, finishes, and facility layout.

Source of Funds: Execution of the following projects has resulted in accrued savings that have been cited as a source of funds for this cost increase.

| Location/Project Naval Station Norfolk, VA Pier 11 Replacement (Increment 4) (P-094) | Fiscal Year 2007 | Amount Appropriated (\$000) 30,633 | Current Working Estimate (\$000) 26,833 | Proposed Reprogramming (\$000) 3,211 ¹⁷ |
|--|------------------------|---|---|---|
| Marine Corps Base Twentynine Palms, CA Training Facilities (P-971) | 2006 | 20,799* | 20,200 | 590 |
| Marine Corps Base Camp Pendleton, CA Reclamation/Conveyand (Increment 1) (P-110) | 2006 ce | 25,192* | 23,721 | 1,471 |
| Naval Station Everett, WA Bachelor Enlisted Quart (Increment 1) (P-155) | 2006 ers | 49,525* | 48,493 | 1,032 |
| Naval Shipyard Norfolk, VA Drydock and Moderniza (P-382) | 2007 ation | 34,952 | 31,821 | 1,081 ^{2/} |

^{*}Revised appropriation amount after 1 percent congressional rescission (P.L. 109-148).

P-094 was previously cited on a formal reprogramming in the amount of \$589,000.

P-382 was previously cited on a formal reprogramming in the amount of \$2,050,000.

Bid Expiration Date: May 24, 2008 Military Construction, Air Force Reprogramming Request

Installation:

Keesler Air Force Base, MS

Project:

Postal Center

Authorization:

DoD Emergency Supplemental Appropriations to Address Hurricanes in

the Gulf of Mexico, and Pandemic Influenza, 2006 (P.L. 109-148)

Estimated Cost (\$000):

| Previously Appropriated | 2,500 |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Previously Reprogrammed | - |
| Requested Reprogramming | 1,300 |
| Total Estimated Cost | 3,800 |

<u>Description</u>: Keesler Air Force Base is home to the 81st Training Wing and 2nd Air Force headquarters, in addition to the "Hurricane Hunters", a unit of the 403rd Wing (Air Reserve). The Postal Center project was programmed as a result of Hurricane Katrina and constructs a new reinforced, one-story facility with concrete foundation, masonry walls, brick veneer, steel frame, standing seam metal roof system, utilities, and site improvements. The new Postal Center facility includes USPS offices, a mail center, base internal mail distribution center, restrooms and a loading dock with a total facility size of 680 SM.

<u>Justification</u>: This project is one of the final four hurricane-related military construction projects to be awarded by mid-FY 2008 as part of a multi-facility solicitation strategy. Bids for this project exceeded 125% of the appropriated amount.

Hurricanes Katrina and Rita completely changed market conditions for construction materials and construction labor in ways not fully predicted when the project was programmed. The cost of materials (steel and cement) and labor trades skyrocketed due to extreme shortages in both. Volatile market conditions and increasing energy prices have increased the risk to construction contractors, which is reflected in higher bids.

A central post office is required to support the base population, which includes permanent party personnel, DOD civilians and long term students. The existing temporary 1941 wooden facility was extensively damaged by Hurricane Katrina. Roof damage allowed a

water to enter the facility damaging the existing floors, ceilings, walls, electrical and mechanical systems. This facility can not inhabitable and must be replaced; renovation of this temporary facility is not warranted. This project is an integral part of the Air Force's Construction Cost Increase Reprogramming Initiative.

Source of Funds: The Air Force previously notified Congress on our intent to <u>not</u> award the \$5.5M Library reconstruction project, a hurricane-related construction project at Keesler AFB. The library was accommodated within the Commissary/Base Exchange project; therefore, the library savings are available to fund the final four hurricane-related military construction projects to be awarded as part of a multi-facility solicitation strategy; specifically the Postal Center, Munitions Inspections Facility, Refueler Maintenance Facility, and the Training Aids Facility. The following list shows the details of the Library project to be used to fund this action.

| | | Amount | Current Working | Proposed |
|----------------------|--------|---|-----------------|---------------|
| | Fiscal | Appropriated | Estimate | Reprogramming |
| Installation/Project | Year | (\$000) | (\$000) | (\$000) |
| Keesler AFB, MS | 2006 | 5,500 | - | 5,500 |
| Library | | *************************************** | | 0,000 |

Bid Expiration Date: May 24, 2008 Military Construction, Air Force Reprogramming Request

Installation:

Keesler Air Force Base, MS

Project:

Munitions Inspection Facility

Authorization:

DoD Emergency Supplemental Appropriations to Address Hurricanes in

the Gulf of Mexico, and Pandemic Influenza, 2006 (P.L. 109-148)

Estimated Cost (\$000):

| Previously Appropriated | 1,300 |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Previously Reprogrammed | - |
| Requested Reprogramming | 400 |
| Total Estimated Cost | 1,700 |

<u>Description</u>: Keesler Air Force Base is home to the 81st Training Wing and 2nd Air Force headquarters, in addition to the "Hurricane Hunters", a unit of the 403rd Wing (Air Reserve). The Munitions Inspection Facility project was programmed as a result of Hurricane Katrina and constructs a new reinforced, one-story facility with concrete foundation, masonry walls, brick veneer, steel frame standing seam metal roof system utilities, and associated site improvements. The Munitions Inspection Facility includes offices, munitions inspection shop, restroom, paint booth and workshop with a total area of 137 SM.

<u>Justification</u>: This project is one of the final four hurricane-related military construction projects to be awarded by mid-FY 2008 as part of a multi-facility solicitation strategy. Bids for this project exceeded 125% of the appropriated amount.

Hurricanes Katrina and Rita completely changed market conditions for construction materials and construction labor in ways not fully predicted when the project was programmed. The cost of materials (steel and cement) and labor trades skyrocketed due to extreme shortages in both. Volatile market conditions and increasing energy prices have increased the risk to construction contractors, which is reflected in higher bids.

A munitions inspection facility is required to inspect and repair existing munitions assets for the 81st Training Wing and 403rd AFRC Wing, Security Forces Operations and Training, and Reserve Aircraft assets. The existing temporary 1941 wooden facility was

extensively damaged by Hurricane Katrina. Roof damage allowed a water to enter the facility damaging the existing floors, ceilings, walls, electrical and mechanical systems. This facility is uninhabitable and munitions personnel will remain relocated on the other side of the base, far from the munitions storage area until the facility is replaced. This project is an integral part of the Air Force's Construction Cost Increase Reprogramming Initiative.

Source of Funds: The Air Force previously notified Congress on our intent to <u>not</u> award the \$5.5M Library reconstruction project, a hurricane-related construction project at Keesler AFB. The library was accommodated within the Commissary/Base Exchange project; therefore, the library savings are available to fund the final four hurricane-related military construction projects to be awarded as part of a multi-facility solicitation strategy; specifically the Postal Center, Munitions Inspections Facility, Refueler Maintenance Facility, and the Training Aids Facility. The following list shows the details of the Library project to be used to fund this action.

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|----------------------|--------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | Fiscal | Appropriated | Estimate | Reprogramming |
| Installation/Project | Year | <u>(\$000)</u> | <u>(\$000)</u> | <u>(\$000)</u> |
| Keesler AFB, MS | 2006 | 5,500 | 1 <u>2</u> | 5,500 |
| Library | | | | |

Bid Expiration Date: May 24, 2008 Military Construction, Air Force Reprogramming Request

Installation:

Keesler Air Force Base, MS

Project:

Refueler Maintenance Facility

<u>Authorization</u>: DoD Emergency Supplemental Appropriations to Address Hurricanes in the Gulf of Mexico, and Pandemic Influenza, 2006 (P.L. 109-148)

Estimated Cost (\$000):

| Previously Appropriated | 1,300 |
|-------------------------|-------|
| Previously Reprogrammed | - |
| Requested Reprogramming | 500 |
| Total Estimated Cost | 1,800 |

<u>Description</u>: Keesler Air Force Base is home to the 81st Training Wing and 2nd Air Force headquarters, in addition to the "Hurricane Hunters", a unit of the 403rd Wing (Air Reserve). The Refueler Maintenance Facility project was programmed as a result of Hurricane Katrina and constructs a new reinforced, one-story high bay maintenance facility with concrete foundation, masonry walls, brick veneer, steel frame, standing seam metal roof system, utilities, and site improvements. Facility area totals 260 SM and includes office, restroom, break area, storage and one maintenance bay for refueler maintenance.

<u>Justification</u>: This project is one of the final four hurricane-related military construction projects to be awarded by mid-FY 2008 as part of a multi-facility solicitation strategy. Bids for this project exceeded 125% of the appropriated amount.

Hurricanes Katrina and Rita completely changed market conditions for construction materials and construction labor in ways not fully predicted when the project was programmed. The cost of materials (steel and cement) and labor trades skyrocketed due to extreme shortages in both. Volatile market conditions and increasing energy prices have increased the risk to construction contractors, which is reflected in higher bids.

A new maintenance facility is required to support aircraft fueling vehicles for this installation. The existing refueler maintenance facility was destroyed by the high winds of Hurricane Katrina. The existing roof and wall systems were substantially blown off the facility, causing extensive damage to the interior systems. The facility cannot be repaired in its current state. There is no other facility on this installation that vehicle maintenance personnel can use to safely maintain aircraft fuel trucks. Until facility is reconstructed, trucks will have to be serviced outdoors in the heat in cordoned off areas for explosion potential or sent to another base for scheduled maintenance. This project is an integral part of the Air Force's Construction Cost Increase Reprogramming Initiative.

Source of Funds: The Air Force previously notified Congress on our intent to <u>not</u> award the \$5.5M Library reconstruction project, a hurricane-related construction project at Keesler AFB. The library was accommodated within the Commissary/Base Exchange project; therefore, the library savings are available to fund the final four hurricane-related military construction projects to be awarded as part of a multi-facility solicitation strategy; specifically the Postal Center, Munitions Inspections Facility, Refueler Maintenance Facility, and the Training Aids Facility. The following list shows the details of the Library project to be used to fund this action.

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| | Fiscal | Appropriated | Estimate | Reprogramming |
| Installation/Project | Year | <u>(\$000)</u> | (\$000) | (\$000) |
| Keesler AFB, MS | 2006 | 5,500 | - | 5,500 |
| Library | | | | |

Bid Expiration Date: May 24, 2008 Military Construction, Air Force Reprogramming Request

Installation:

Keesler Air Force Base, MS

Project:

Training Aids Facility

Authorization:

DoD Emergency Supplemental Appropriations to Address Hurricanes in

the Gulf of Mexico, and Pandemic Influenza, 2006 (P.L. 109-148)

Estimated Cost (\$000):

11,200 Previously Appropriated Previously Reprogrammed 2,700

Requested Reprogramming

Total Estimated Cost

13,900

<u>Description</u>: Keesler Air Force Base is home to the 81st Training Wing and 2nd Air Force headquarters, in addition to the "Hurricane Hunters", a unit of the 403rd Wing (Air Reserve). The Refueler Maintenance Facility project was programmed as a result of Hurricane Katrina and constructs a new reinforced, one-story facility with concrete foundation, masonry walls, brick veneer, steel frame, standing seam metal roof system, lighted parking, utilities, site improvements, and loading dock totaling 3,558 SM.

Justification: This project is one of the final four hurricane-related military construction projects to be awarded by mid-FY 2008 as part of a multi-facility solicitation strategy. Bids for this project exceeded 125% of the appropriated amount.

Hurricanes Katrina and Rita completely changed market conditions for construction materials and construction labor in ways not fully predicted when the project was programmed. The cost of materials (steel and cement) and labor trades skyrocketed due to extreme shortages in both. Volatile market conditions and increasing energy prices have increased the risk to construction contractors, which is reflected in higher bids.

The Keesler AFB mission training schools require a facility that can fabricate and construct various training aid devices to support the technical training courses that are taught at this installation. Force Protection measures will be incorporated in accordance with the US Air Force Installation Force Protection Guide. The roof of the existing facility was blown off during Hurricane Katrina, causing extensive damage the thro rooftop HVAC systems and roof trusses, and allowing water to infiltrate the facility,

causing major damage to the walls, ceilings, flooring, electrical, fire alarm, and mechanical systems. The facility cannot be used in its current condition. Mission training will continue to be degraded until the replacement facility is constructed since no other facility is available to produce training-aid devices.

Source of Funds: The Air Force previously notified Congress on our intent to <u>not</u> award the \$5.5M Library reconstruction project, a hurricane-related construction project at Keesler AFB. The library was accommodated within the Commissary/Base Exchange project; therefore, the library savings are available to fund the final four hurricane-related military construction projects to be awarded as part of a multi-facility solicitation strategy; specifically the Postal Center, Munitions Inspections Facility, Refueler Maintenance Facility, and the Training Aids Facility. The following list shows the details of the Library project to be used to fund this action.

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|----------------------|--------|--------------|-----------------|---------------|
| | Fiscal | Appropriated | Estimate | Reprogramming |
| Installation/Project | Year | (\$000) | (\$000) | (\$000) |
| Keesler AFB, MS | 2006 | 5,500 | - | 5,500 |
| Library | | | | |

Bid Expiration Date: N/A

Chemical Demilitarization Construction, Defense-Wide

Reprogramming Request

Installation:

Pueblo Chemical Depot, Colorado

Project:

Defense Access Road

Authorization:

Title 23, United States Code, Section 210

Estimated Cost (\$000):

Previously Appropriated:

Previously Reprogrammed:

18,621

Requested Reprogramming:

5,721

Total Estimated Cost:

24,342

Description: This project includes the design and construction of a new off-post defense access road for the Pueblo Chemical Depot (PCD) and the Pueblo Chemical Agent-Destruction Pilot Plant (PCAPP). The project was undertaken in 2007 pursuant to the authority cited above. When completed, the new access road will become the primary access route for PCD and PCAPP. It includes 14.3 miles of new or improved roads beginning at the eastern side of the city of Pueblo, Colorado and ending at the northwest boundary of the Pueblo Chemical Depot. The current access route to the depot is via an interchange at US Highway 50 located south of the depot. This interchange is in poor condition and will not safely support the estimated increase in heavy industrial and personnel traffic associated with construction and operation of the PCAPP.

<u>Justification</u>: This project was certified in 2004 by the Army Military Surface Deployment and Distribution Command (MSDDC) as important to national defense in accordance with Title 23, United States Code, Section 210 (Defense Access Roads), and was funded after Congress approved a reprogramming request using \$18.621 million from the PCAPP FY2004 Military Construction funding.

Due to increased material costs, brought on in part by increased fuel costs, the project immediately requires an additional \$5.721 million to continue and complete the construction. MSDDC has reviewed this estimate and has confirmed the requirement for additional funding. Timely approval of this reprogramming action is required to

avoid unnecessary delays in the construction of this road and ultimately construction of the chemical demilitarization facility.

<u>Source of Funds</u>: Funds are available from the Pueblo Chemical Demilitarization Facility project Increment IX to source this reprogramming request. Completion of the access road is required prior to the ramp-up of construction activities at the demilitarization facility, which is expected during 2009.

| | | | Current | |
|------------------|--------|--------------|----------|---------------|
| | | Amount | Working | Proposed |
| | Fiscal | Appropriated | Estimate | Reprogramming |
| Location/Project | Year | (\$000) | (\$000) | (\$000) |
| Pueblo, Colorado | 2008 | 35,159 | 29,438 | 5,721 |
| Chemical | | | | |
| Demilitarization | | | | |
| Facility Inc. IX | | | | |

Bid Expiration Date: N/A Military Construction, Army National Guard Reprogramming Request

Installation:

Various

Project:

Unspecified Minor Military Construction

Authorization:

National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2008.

Estimated Cost (\$000):

Previously Appropriated 8,700

Previously Reprogrammed
Requested Reprogramming 9,364

Total Estimated Cost 18,064

<u>Description</u>: 10 USC 2805 authorizes the Service Secretaries to carry out unspecified minor military construction projects not otherwise authorized by law.

<u>Justification</u>: The following projects were authorized as minor construction projects but appropriated as major construction projects. The Army National Guard requests a Congressional reprogramming to realign the projects from Major Construction to the Unspecified Minor Military Construction program.

Source of Funds: Projects to be realigned are as follows:

| Project/Location | Fiscal Year | Amount Appropriated (\$000) | Current Estimate (\$000) | Proposed Reprogramming (\$000) |
|---|----------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Kenai, AK/ Readiness Center PN 020157 | 2008 | 1,400 | 1,400 | 1,400 |
| Marana, AZ/ Fire Station PN 040171 | 2008 | 1,964 | 1,964 | 1,964 |

| Project/Location | Fiscal <u>Year</u> | Amount Appropriated (\$000) | Current Estimate (\$000) | Proposed Reprogramming (\$000) |
|--|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| Camp Dodge, IA/ Main Entrance PN 190144 | 2008 | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,500 |
| Camp Perry, OH/ Base Engineering Operations and Classroom Facility PN 390253 | 2008 | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,500 |
| Newton Falls (Ravenna), OH/ Training Building Alt PN 390185 | 2008 | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,500 |
| Northfield, VT/ Regional Readiness Tech Center PN 500068 | 2008 | 1,500 | 1,500 | 1,500 |