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

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Ranking Member



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Military Construction, Army National Guard

Reprogramming Request

Installation: Camp Edwards, MA

<u>Project</u>: Automated Multipurpose Machine Gun (MPMG) Range

Authorization: National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2020,

Public Law 116-92

Estimated Cost (\$000):

| Previously Appropriated | 9,700 |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Previously Reprogrammed | 0 |
| Requested Reprogramming | 7,340 |
| Total Estimated Cost | 17,040 |

<u>Description</u>: Construct a standard design Multipurpose Machine Gun Range (MPMG) with automated target systems. The MPMG includes the following items that are integral to the facility; range control tower, range operations building and storage, ammunition breakdown building, bleacher enclosure, classroom building and mess shelter. Comprehensive interior design services are requested. Construction will include all utility services, information systems, fire detection and alarm systems, roads, walks, curbs, gutters, storm drainage, parking areas and site improvements.

<u>Justification</u>: The project cost increase is due to significant escalation in prices for construction materials and diesel fuel resulting from supply chain disruptions and extraordinary price inflation in the general economy. In this uncertain market, contractors have included in their bids additional contingency to address risks associated with pricing uncertainties.

A 10 U.S.C. §2853 cost variation notification dated December 08, 2023, was submitted to the congressional committees.

Source of Funds: Savings from the following projects are cited as a source of funds for this cost increase.

| | | (<u>Dollars in Thousands</u>) | | |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|--------|---------------------------------|---------------------|---------------|
| | Fiscal | Amount | Current | Proposed |
| Location/Project | Year | <u>Appropriated</u> | Working Estimate | Reprogramming |
| Camp Minden, LA Collective Training Unaccompanied Housing | 2022 | 19,570 ^{1/} | 11,340 2/ | 2,400 |
| Minor Construction | 2021 | 28,669 | 23,728 | 4,940 |
| Total | | | | 7,340 |

 $^{^{1/}}$ A 10 U.S.C. §2853 cost variation notification dated September 26, 2023, was submitted to the congressional committees.

²/ A 10 U.S.C. §2853 cost variation notification dated January 25, 2024, was submitted to the congressional committees.