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MEMORANDUM FOR

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SUBJECT: Stakeholder Involvement in the Military Munitions Response Program

1. References.

a. Army Defense Environmental Restoration Program Management Guidance for Active Installations, November 2004.

b. Department of Defense Management Guidance for the Defense Environmental Restoration Program, September 2001.

2. In September 2001, the Department of Defense (DoD) established the Military Munitions Response Program (MMRP) under the Defense Environmental Restoration Program (DERP) to address DoD sites containing unexploded ordnance, discarded military munitions, or munitions constituents at current and former defense sites. The MMRP is being implemented under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act (CERCLA) or the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). Both the Army DERP Management Guidance and CERCLA/RCRA require state/federal participation in the response process (ref 1a).

3. The Army is currently conducting Site Inspections (SI) at MMRP sites on active installations. The Army Environmental Center is managing the MMRP with support from the US Army Corps of Engineers. The goal of the SI is to collect enough information to determine what response action, if any, is appropriate to address environmental impacts due to former military training and testing activities.

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4. It is DoD policy to solicit stakeholder involvement (e.g., regulators, restoration advisory boards, special interest groups, and property owners) early in the SI process (ref 1b). Specifically, regulators with jurisdictional authority should be engaged early in the SI to ensure efficient progress towards site closure. Early involvement helps to educate the regulatory community about the MMRP, facilitates regulatory input, and allows for a smoother transition of sites to site closure or further investigation, as necessary. Army installations are strongly encouraged to follow this policy.

5. The POC for this action is Ms. Mary Ellen Maly at (410) 436-1511, or by email at maryellen.h.maly@us.army.mil.



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