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## COMMANDING GENERAL'S POLICY LETTER 007-14

From: Commanding General

To: All Commanders, Marine Corps Installations East-Marine Corps

Base, Camp Lejeune and General and Special Staff Department

Heads

PARTICIPATION OF MARINE CORPS INSTALLATIONS EAST-MARINE CORPS Subj:

BASE, CAMP LEJEUNE (MCIEAST-MCB CAMLEJ) IN DEPARTMENT OF

DEFENSE (DOD) VOLUNTARY PROTECTION PROGRAM (VPP) INITIATIVE

(a) ASN (I&E) memo of 13 Jul 07 Ref:

(b) CMC (SD) memo of 19 Jul 07

- 1. Purpose. To establish policy for participating in the DoD VPP Center of Excellence (CX) Initiative in support of references (a) and (b).
- 2. Cancellation. CG MCIEAST-MCB CAMLEJ Policy Letter 011-12.
- Information. Force preservation is a vital element of our mission readiness and capabilities. When military service members and civilian employees are injured due to mishaps in the workplace, it negatively impacts productivity and business efficiencies. Preventable injuries and illnesses cost DoD an estimated 10 to 21 billion dollars in workers' compensation claims annually. In 2013, preventable injuries and illnesses continued to cost MCIEAST-MCB CAMLEJ over seven million dollars.
- To reduce the number of claims, the DoD has established strategic goals to reduce workplace mishaps. In turn, for the Services to meet the goals, an effective Safety Management System (SMS) must be properly implemented and managed. In 2007, DoD and the U.S. Marine Corps chose the Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) VPP to assist commanders by improving overall mission readiness.
- VPP is a management system that promotes safe workplaces and ensures leadership, accountability, and employee participation in the command safety program. VPP participant worksites maintain comprehensive injury and illness prevention programs that share a number of important elements, which are management commitment and worker involvement; worksite analysis; hazard prevention and control; and training. VPP recognizes organizations that have implemented a sound SMS and maintained injury and illness rates below the national average for their industries. In return, OSHA removes them from programmed inspection lists and does not issue them citations for standards violations that are promptly corrected.

- Subj: PARTICIPATION OF MARINE CORPS INSTALLATIONS EAST-MARINE CORPS BASE, CAMP LEJEUNE (MCIEAST-MCB CAMLEJ) IN DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE (DOD) VOLUNTARY PROTECTION PROGRAM (VPP) INITIATIVE
- c. To aid the U.S. Marine Corps in working toward VPP Star recognition from OSHA, the Defense Safety Oversight Council established the DoD VPP CX staffed with contract personnel that are ready to help commanders navigate through the VPP process. The DoD VPP CX provides assessment, training, and other support at no cost to the command. VPP Star sites generally experience the following:
- (1) 60 to 80 percent fewer lost workday injuries than would be expected of an average site of the same size in their industries.
- (2) Improved employee motivation to work safely, leading to better quality and productivity.
  - (3) Reduced workers' compensation costs.
- (4) Pride and recognition as a world class leader in worker health and safety.
- d. Since the inception of the program, several MCIEAST-MCB CAMLEJ installations are well on their way to achieving VPP Star status.
- (1) Marine Corps Logistics Base, Albany and Marine Corps Support Facility, Blount Island are 100 percent complete in the three stages of VPP and are awaiting assessment. MCB CAMLEJ and Marine Corps Air Station, Beaufort are 99 percent and 94 percent complete, respectively.
- (2) During calendar year (CY) 2013, MCIEAST-MCB CAMLEJ saw significant mishap reductions. Total mishaps, lost day cases, total number of lost days, limited duty cases, and limited duty days for appropriated fund civilian employees were all reduced. Also during CY 2013, MCIEAST-MCB CAMLEJ non-appropriated fund civilians saw reductions in total mishaps, lost day cases, limited duty cases, and limited duty days.
- 4. Action. To continue our commitment in improving worker safety and health, increase public recognition, and enhance employee benefits, MCIEAST-MCB CAMLEJ installations will participate in the DoD VPP CX Initiative and seek Star status recognition from OSHA.
- 5. Point of contact is the MCIEAST-MCB CAMLEJ Director of Safety at DSN 751-5725 or commercial (910) 451-5725.

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## MCIEAST-MCB CAMLEJ ROUTE SHEET X - ORIGINATOR OR OFFICE H - RETURN TO Safety DATE ADJ TR# שופרב AFFIXING ROUTE SHEET 20 Feb 2014 APPROPRIATE ACTION I - INITIAL SUBJECT B - GUIDANCE J - DISPOSITION PARTICIPATION IN DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE C - SIGNATURE K - DECISION (DOD) VOLUNTARY PROTECTION PROGRAM (VPP) D - COMMENT L - RETENTION E - RECOMMENDATION M - APPROVAL F - CONCURRENCE R - REVIEW G - INFORMATION REFERENCE O - OTHER ROUTING - USE NUMBERS TO SHOW ORDER OF ROUTING (a) ASN (I&E) memo of 13 Jul 07 NATURE OF ACTION ORIGINATOR REFERENCES HELD BY (Name, Grade, Office, Telephone Ext) DUE DATE ROUTINE Mr. S. J. Dutko, Jr, GS-14, MCIEAST-MCBCL, 451-2082 J. L. Pickett None DATE **REMARKS & SIGNATURE** RTG CODE **ADDRESSEES** NON CONCUR Purpose: To establish policy for CONCUR participating in the DoD Voluntary Ċ CG 7 Protection Program (VPP) Center of AIDE Excellence (CX) Initiative. SECRETARY 6 F Background: Preventable mishaps cost **DEP COMMANDER** DoD an estimated \$10 to \$21 billion F COS annually. Workers' Compensation **SGTMAJ** claims cost MCIEAST Commands \$7 4 SSEC 4MR M R YMAR Million, on average, each year. PROTOCOL COORD 3 Α ADMIN COORD Discussion: VPP is a corporate strategy 2 Α CG ADMIN that has lead to the elimination of preventable mishaps and improvement in ADJUTANT A overall mission readiness. In December ASSISTANT ADJUTANT 2012, CG, MCIEAST-MCB CAMLEJ 2/26 ADJ ADM CHIEF implemented Policy Letter 011/12, which AC/S G-1 directed all MCIEAST installations to AC/S G-3/5 participate in VPP and seek Star status from OSHA. Since the inception of the AC/S G-4 program, several MCIEAST-MCB AC/S G-6 CAMLEJ installations are well on their AC/S G-7 way to achieving VPP Star status. AC/S G-8 Successes include a 22% decrease in total AC/S G-F number of cases with days away from AC/S MCCS work or job transfer at MCB Camp AC/S SES Lejeune and a 51% decrease in the total number of days away from work at BPO MCAS Beaufort. CHAPLAIN CIG Recommendation: Approval. CONTRACTING DISBURSING VRS/ **EACO** EOA OICC PAO

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