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Welcome

Director, Army Office of Small Business Programs: Last month, the Secretary of Army appointed Mr. Tommy Marks, SES, as the Director, Army Office of Small Business Programs. Mr. Marks' previous assignment was as the Senior Services Manager for DASA P. We welcome Mr. Tommy Marks, and look forward to his leadership and guidance. During a recent Monthly VTC hosted by Mr. Marks, he underscored the need for the team members aligned with Army OSBP to focus our efforts on four pillars, i.e., Mission, Outreach, Training, and Compliance.

MEDCOM Small Business Lead: In an effort to identify and implement better efficiencies, higher headquarters has directed that MEDCOM appoint a single person who will report directly to the Head of the Contracting Activity. Effective 30 May or early June, Mr. Peter Hunter will assume this new role. We congratulate him in his new appointment, and will continue our diligent work in support of the Army's Office of Small Business Programs. His previous assignment was with HQs MICC, Fort Sam Houston, Texas.

Small Business Metrics: As of 22 May, our small business program performance reflects significant progress with exceeding FY 15 percentage of goal achievement for: Small Business, Small Disadvantaged Business, Women-Owned Small Business, and Service Disabled Veteran-Owned Small Business. Currently, our goal attainment is 91% for HUBZone. While these metrics will fluctuate between now and the end of FY 15, we will continue to place emphasis on recommending procurement strategies that sustain our small business goal trajectory.

Future Small Business Outreach Events:

4 June: 7th Annual Tech Showcase at the Frederick Innovative Technology Center: Hosted by Fort Detrick Alliance.

10 June: Military Health System (MHS) Vendor Day at Fort Detrick: Hosted by MHS.

17-19 November: National Veterans Small Business Engagement,: Hosted by VA Office of SADBU. Sincerely,

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Website & Current Information http://www.mrmc.smallbusopps.army.mil

We remain mindful that having access to current information is critical in helping businesses (large or small) determine whether they should consider pursuing anticipated government procurements. Accordingly, we will continue to provide relevant information via the website for use by government, industry, and academia. Please visit the website to learn more about: Fiscal Year 2015 Small Business Targets; Acquisition Forecasts, Department of Army Small Business Policy, and other pertinent information. Have a suggestion? Great—we welcome feedback, and remain receptive to suggestions!