CDE Go-To-War Program

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Today’s Agenda

• Background
  – History
  – Status Today

• 5 Issues

• Program Needs
Chemical Defense Equipment Go-to-War (CDEGTW) Program

Background

• Purpose:
  • Address discrepancies concerning basis of issue, stockage, and reporting of Class II and IX CDE.
• Policy Approved by Army Chief of Staff in Dec 1997
  - Policy calls for providing basic chemical and biological protection for all soldiers upon initial deployment (11 Basic CB protective items).
  - CDEGTW program supports Army’s Force Package 2 and 3 units
  - AMC programs and receives funding directly from Active Army.
  - Army Reserve and National Guard
    • Program CDE requirement through their TRM in POM years
    • Provide their share of CDEGTW funding during execution years.
FY ’03 Status

• ~32 Brigade Sets (BDE) Issued during 2003
• Over 1800 deployments during 2002 and 2003
**TOTAL PROGRAM STATUS:**

End of FY ‘03

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BDE SET = 4200 SOLDIERS

PROGRAM GOAL = 64 BDE SETS

FY 02 GOAL = 8 BDE SETS (23 TOTAL)

FY 03 GOAL = 7 BDE SETS (30 TOTAL)

AS OF 09/30/03
FY03 DEPLOYMENTS:
1,603 Total Requests
• 1,284 FP2 and FP3
• 319 USARC FP1

PAST DEPLOYMENTS:
• FY99 02 Deployments
• FY00 10 Deployments
• FY01 13 Deployments
• FY02 224 Deployments

FY 03 MISSION BREAK OUT:

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FY03 UNIT DEPLOYMENT SIZE:
• Largest  12,100
• Smallest 1

As of 30 Sep 03
CDE GTW FY03 FUNDING

FY03 FUNDING LEVEL: $32,710,000

- OMA: $6.52 Mil Rec’d $6.52 Mil
- OMAR: $4.63 Mil Rec’d $4.63 Mil
- OMNG: $7.92 Mil Rec’d $7.92 Mil
- RES FP1: $13.64 Mil Rec’d $13.64 Mil

SUPPLEMENTAL FUNDING REQUEST/RECEIVED:
- FY03 HQDA GWOT: $26.20 Mil/$26.200 Mil
- FY03 GWOT Plus Up: $6.60 MIL/$0.797 Mil

TOTAL FY ’03 FUNDING RECEIVED: $59.707 Mil

As of 30 Sep 03
CURRENT STATUS
FY ‘04

• 142 Deployments thus far in 1st qtr FY ’04

• 8 BDE FY ’04 Acquisition Goal

• ~10 BDE issued 1st Qtr FY ’04
FY '04 FUNDING STATUS

Three streams of annual funding: OMA, OMAR (RESET), OMNG (NG):

- **OMA**
  - CDEGTW has 30% ($1.63 MIL received of $4.934 request)

- **OMAR** – CDEGTW has 100% ($4.019 MIL)

- **OMNG**
  - CDEGTW has 100% ($7.844 MIL)
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**SOLDIERS**

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**BDE SETS**

FY 03 GOAL = 7 BDE SETS (30 TOTAL)

FY 04 GOAL = 8 BDE SETS (38 TOTAL)

AS OF 12/31/03
FIVE ISSUES

• Transformation of CDEGTW program
• Expansion of program
• MICAS
• Methods of Reconstitution
  - RESET
  - Return
• Current Stock Demands
1. TRANSFORMATION

- New management framework being proposed by DA
  - Transforming Army Management of Individual Chemical Protective Equipment
  - Lack of asset visibility for IPE managers

- Current standard automated information systems (STAMIS) cannot handle Individual Protective Equipment (IPE) management needs
  - Shelf-life management
  - Surveying of stock for approaching inspections
  - Centralized Management of Army IPE Readiness Program Stock
Three Main Goals of Transformation

- Transforms CDE Go-To-War Program to Individual Chemical Equipment Management Program (ICEMP)
- Incorporates centralized management, storage, and funding
- Depot centric ... reduces footprint at installations
2. Expansion of CDE Go-To-War Program

- DA recommended expansion
- Currently includes Force Package (FP) 2 and 3 units
- Proposed to cover FP one (active) units
- Active FP one units must decide with CDEGTW program expansion
- If so, portion of their TRM funding will be sent to AMC for execution
- Currently, some Commanders use TRM $ spent for non chemical items (i.e., fuel, bullets)
- National Guard Supports Expansion
  - Contributing $400 K for CDEGTW program
3. Mobility Inventory Control Accountability System

- Main thrust is to implement MICAS within selected ARMY sites
- MICAS originated as an USAF inventory management system operating at 185+ locations throughout the Air Force
- Tracks shelf-life visibility of stored & issued assets down to an individual soldier
- Can verify serviceability of assets prior to issue

- Is Government owned & freely distributed to DoD users
- Provides full suite of barcode production and scanning
- Runs on a standard PC & is Microsoft compatible
- Is being tested as tracking system for CDE stocks
  - Ft. Hood is being fielded with MICAS
- DA planning brief to AMC on MICAS system and fielding
4. Methods of Reconstitution

• A. RESET

• B. RETURN
4 A. RESET

- $142 Mil UFR for CDEGTW RESET
- Initiated by HQDA (MAJ Ensor, proponent)
- DA approved $142 Mil, but not sure when DA budget will release funding and how much
- May be released incrementally through several years
- FORSCOM has given $5 Mil to CDEGTW program for CDE to support 72 platoons of Quick/Rapid Reaction Forces
4 B. CDE Go-To-War Return Issue

• Recovered/ reclaimed and/or aging stocks need to be evaluated for quality, usability and efficacy. (Example: Return CDE exposed to environmental extremes, especially high temperatures).

• Program Manager of the Chemical Individual Equipment (PM CIE) structure test plan which includes
  • Equipment assessment
  • Code equipment for future use
  • Pine Bluff is primary depot to receive return stock
  • Blue Grass is secondary depot
5. STOCK DEMANDS

- FORSCOM looking for 10 BDE sets
- Only 8 BDE sets available, including on order
- JSLISTS
  - Sizing issues
- Current stocks not able to meet requirements
Program Needs

• Full and timely funding needed to support program requirements
• Contingencies quickly set in place for immediate funding issuance when program needs are suddenly inflated.
• Critical minimum inventory level is maintained.
Program Needs

• An inventory system that can keep up with real time tracking, down to the soldier level.
• Quarterly planning goals must be established.
• Long range, realistic planning goals must be established.
  – Requests for funding must be put forward early.
  – Reconstitution of stockage, including overhead must be programmed into the budget.
• Equipment evaluation program is required and needs funding
• Seamless transition of funding for FP 1 units is needed
In Conclusion

- CDEGTW Program is critical program
- Transformation and expansion are necessary and “do-able”.
- MICAS system is meeting management’s requirements and is demonstrating positive results
- Accountability and communication are required at all levels of management. MICAS provides a system to measure, track, and control resources down to the soldier level and could enhance the efficiency of the CDE Go-To-War program.
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