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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Disposal Instructions for Excess Aqueous Film Forming Foam

1. Reference Memorandum, ACSIM, DAIM-ZA, 29 June 2016, subject: Limiting Use of Aqueous Film Forming Foam.
2. The guidance contained in reference 1 remains valid.
3. This guidance applies to Army firefighting apparatus that use Aqueous Film Forming Foam (AFFF), typically Aircraft Rescue Firefighting (ARFF) vehicles. The Office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Installation Management has programmed funds beginning in Fiscal Year (FY) 2019 to replace older stocks of C8 AFFF with an environmentally safe, Military Specification (MIL-SPEC) AFFF agent. To prepare for the replacement of C8 AFFF, each installation and land holding command must take the following actions to ensure we retain the necessary firefighting capability:
 - a. Each installation with authorized apparatus carrying AFFF must maintain a supply of MIL-SPEC AFFF to service the firefighting vehicle fleet, plus one backup load to re-service vehicles in the event of AFFF usage during an actual emergency.
 - b. On-hand stocks of AFFF beyond the above requirements must be turned in to the appropriate authority for disposal no later than 30 September 2017. Currently, AFFF is not considered a hazardous waste and is not required to be treated as such during disposal. Installations should consult with their environmental office, State, and local authorities prior to disposal of AFFF, as emerging regulations on disposing of this material may have changed.
 - c. By 2 October 2017, each land holding command must report to the below point of contact both the quantities of C8 AFFF turned in and the remaining on-hand quantities of C8 AFFF using the Excel spreadsheet at enclosure 1. This report will help validate the requirement for replacement AFFF.
4. Reference 1 placed a temporary hold on the testing of firefighting vehicles containing AFFF. Market research shows there are test kits available that will support performance of these tests without discharging AFFF. Funding for these test kits is programmed for FY 19 and will be distributed to the land holding commands through the normal funds distribution process. Some of these test kits require slight vehicle modifications. Each

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land holding command will begin planning the necessary vehicle modifications and the purchase of one vehicle AFFF test kit per installation with authorized ARFF vehicles.

5. My point of contact for this action is Mr. Armando Eversley, 571-256-9707, email Armando.eversley2.civ@mail.mil.

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