



# ECO Quarterly



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Serving the ECOs of the 25th ID & USAG-HI



1st QTR FY 08



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## WELCOME HOME!

*The Division's ECOs will use the A-B-C-Ds of Environmental Compliance to get back on track!*

Welcome home and congratulations on a job well done to all of our returning soldiers! As the Garrison excitedly welcomes the Division back from Iraq, it is also getting ready to support the many requirements that accompany the redeployment. One of these requirements will be to retrain the Division ECOs on the "A-B-C-Ds" of Environmental Compliance to ensure that they get their programs back up and running as quickly and efficiently as possible. These fundamentals of a successful environmental compliance program are :

- ◆ **A:** *Authorized Use List (AUL)*- ensure an AUL is on file and the HazMat inventory does not exceed a 14 day supply
- ◆ **B:** *Book-* The unit/activity Environmental Compliance Book contains all of the important environmental documents
- ◆ **C:** *Checklist:* conduct weekly and monthly inspections using the ECIC
- ◆ **D:** *Documented environmental training* for all personnel who work with hazardous materials

ECOs should focus on these four areas not only to restart their programs, but also as an ongoing effort to maintain the Division's high compliance standards.

In order to help ECOs get back to work as quickly as possible, the Environmental Division is offering Deployment Recertification Waivers again to those ECOs whose certifications expired while deployed. The waiver allows redeploying ECOs to get recertified through the 1day Refresher class rather than have them repeat the entire 3 day class. This will save the ECOs valuable time and allow them to return to their units more quickly. The recertification waiver is available on the ECO website or by calling the Environmental Division at 656-2878 and the FY 08 environmental training schedule is available on the last page of this newsletter. If you need further assistance, just call the Inspection Team and they will be glad to assist you in picking up where you left off before the deployment. And just remember, environmental compliance is as easy as "A-B-C-D"!



## Environmental Excellence Awards

### "Best of the Quarter" 4th QTR FY 2007:

#### **USAG-HI, DPW Interior Electric Shop, FS**

- ◆ Primary ECO— Andy Shigemoto
- ◆ Alternate ECO—Thomas Hopkins



#### **1st Plt, A Co, 249th Eng Bn (Prime Power)**

- ◆ Primary ECO –SGT Adam Konkle
- ◆ Alternate ECO – SSG Vernon Pitts



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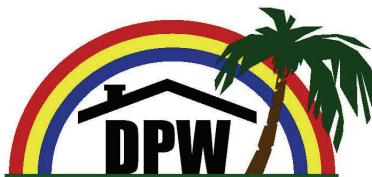
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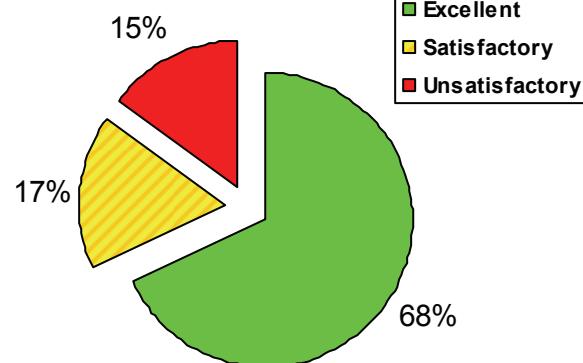
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## 4th QTR FY 07 Quarterly Environmental Compliance Inspection Results

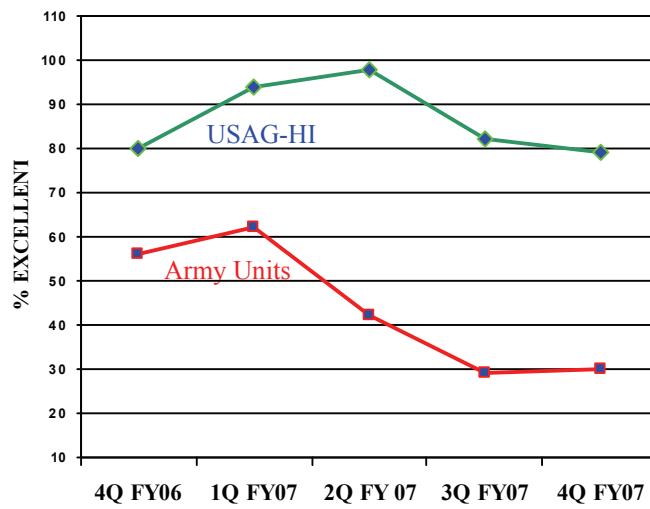
The 4th QTR FY 07 quarterly Environmental Compliance Inspection (ECI) results were similar to the previous quarter with a few minor, yet positive exceptions. The 4th QTR saw a decrease in the amount of Unsatisfactory scores, while the overall number of Excellent inspection scores rose by one percent. The most common critical deficiency in the Unsatisfactory scores was, once again, failure to maintain the unit/



Distribution of 4th QTR FY 07 ECI results.

activity environmental paperwork, including documenting and conducting weekly inspections and quarterly training. These are key elements to the compliance posture of the installation and critical to the success of our environmental program. The number of inspections in the 4th QTR FY 07 fell slightly as the inspectors' focus of the 2nd Brigade areas shifted from compliance inspections to Deployment Clearance Inspections (DCI). The DCIs yielded only minimal amounts of unusable and excess hazardous materials which is a stark contrast to the over 55,000 lbs of waste that was generated as a result of the DCIs for the last deployment. This is evidence that the 2nd Brigade's strict adherence to the Authorized Use List policy saved the installation a lot of money and resources managing excess and expired materials. The AUL, along with training, inspections and the other aspects of the program management portion of the compliance program work together to ensure that we manage our materials properly and minimize the amount of waste that is generated.

If you need assistance with managing the administrative requirements of the environmental program or need help with your AUL, just call your inspector at the DPW Environmental Division, 656-2878. 



FY 2007 % "Excellent" Inspection Scores

## How Does the USAG-HI Environmental Management System (EMS) Affect You?

This section contains critical information that all soldiers, civilian employees, tenants and support contractors of the USAG-HI must know:

### 1. BASICS:

Know that EMS is the Management System we use to implement the Garrison Commander's Environmental Policy.

An EMS IS an organized approach to managing environmental responsibilities and risks.

An EMS is NOT:

- ◆ NOT a computer system
- ◆ NOT a one-time project
- ◆ NOT focused solely on regulatory compliance
- ◆ NOT an effort solely for the DPW Environmental Division

### 2. POLICY:

Know the key elements of the Garrison's **Environmental Policy** as follows:

- ◆ Commitment to **continual improvement**
- ◆ Commitment to **prevent pollution**
- ◆ Commitment to **comply with environmental laws and regulations and to other requirements to which we subscribe** (includes our own plans and SOPs)

**USAG-HI Environmental Policy is available to the public and can be accessed at:**

<http://www.25Sidl.army.mil/dpw/default.htm>

### 3. TERMS YOU SHOULD KNOW:

**Aspect:** "Cause" - Any element of an organization's activities, products or services **which can interact with the environment**.

**Impact:** "Effect" - Any change to the environment whether adverse or beneficial, **resulting from an organization's activities, products or services**.

**Our EMS uses "Significant" aspects and impacts as the basis for developing objectives and preparing programs.**

### 4. YOUR PARTICIPATION:

Know the **Environmental Aspects and Impacts** of your job!

- ◆ Know the possible environmental impacts from the activities you perform and manage your activities using proper procedures
- ◆ If you have been designated to perform an activity that could result in a significant environmental impact, you must know how to properly manage that activity
- ◆ Know the objectives and targets for improved environmental performance in your area
- ◆ Know your responsibility for emergency procedures
- ◆ Know the potential consequences of departure from specified procedures

### 5. USAG-HI SIGNIFICANT ASPECTS AND IMPACTS:

The list below is an example of the environmental aspects of our jobs and activities that cost the most to manage, have the greatest management burden, liability, or risk, or could interfere with our mission if not properly managed:

<b>Activity: Vehicle, Aircraft and Equipment Use and Maintenance</b>	
<b>Aspects</b>	<b>Impacts</b>
Air Emissions	➡ Air Pollution
Spills to Water and Land	➡ Contamination of Resources
Noise	➡ Community Concerns
Water, Raw Material and Energy Use	➡ Depletion of Natural Resources/ Consumption of non-renewable resources

### 6. YOUR RESPONSIBILITY:

If your job contributes to any of the above aspects, you must:

- ◆ Attempt to minimize the impacts
- ◆ Be aware of and follow specific operating procedures
- ◆ Stay tuned to new EMS initiatives
- ◆ Contribute your ideas for improvements
- ◆ Identify non-conformance





# Environmental Training

FY 08



## DPW ENVIRONMENTAL TRAINING SCHEDULE FY08

ECO Certification		ECO Refresher	SLECT
Start Date	Grad Date	Class Date	Class Date
09 Oct 2007	11-Oct-2007	18-Oct-2007	16-Oct-2007
06 Nov 2007	08-Nov-2007	15-Nov-2007	*HI:30-Nov-2007
*HI:04 Dec 2007	*HI:06 Dec 2007	*HI:27-Nov-2007	15-Jan-08
08 Jan 2008	10 Jan 2008	*HI:28-Nov-2007	15-Apr-08
05-Feb-2008	07-Feb-2008	*HI:29 Nov-2007 (KMC)	15-Jul-08
04 Mar 2008	06-Mar-2008	17-Jan-2008	
08-Apr-2008	10-Apr-2008	14-Feb-2008	
06-May-2008	08-May-2008	13-Mar-2008	
03-Jun-2008	05-Jun-2008	17-Apr-2008	
08-Jul-2008	10-Jul-2008	15-May-2008	
05-Aug-2008	07-Aug-2008	12-Jun-2008	
02-Sep-2007	04-Sep-2007	17-Jul-2008	
		14 Aug-2008	
		11-Sep-2008	

\*HI: Big Island classes

To Register for ECO and SLECT classes: Call G-3 at 656-6500 Fax 656-0051

For Hilo Training call DPW Env Training Center at 655-0584

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