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A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDER Brig Gen Jimmy Canlas

It's hard to believe it's been nearly 15 months since the COVID-19 virus diverted our normal routines and way of living. We've done a great job of adapting to the pandemic but easing up on prevention strategies too soon threatens to undo the significant progress we've made.

We are on an encouraging path but as we think about returning to the workplace and making summer plans, we must consider how to do so safely and responsibly.

I encourage you all to look at resuming activities as **a dial and not a switch.**

When it comes to returning to the workplace, my goal is to ensure you all have the opportunity to ask questions and address your concerns. Over the past two weeks, we held virtual EEO and SAPR reintegration training where more than 800 of you joined and asked great questions. Another SAPR training session is scheduled for June 2 and an early morning combined EEO and SAPR session on June 3 to accommodate the Middle East and Europe/Africa regions. I encourage all employees who have not yet attended the training to participate.

As for vacations and neighborhood picnics, what will our second summer in the COVID era be like? How to go about life post-vaccination is still emerging, but I remind you to follow CDC, local and establishment-specific guidelines. When you begin to resume activities, please do so consciously and considerately for yourself and others around you.

As always, stay safe and continue to look out for one another.

DLA Today Announcements

Having a hard time keeping track of all the DLA employee updates, news and information? The emails just keep coming and can get lost in the mix.

A great one stop shop for catching up on the latest and greatest is the [DLA Today Announcements page](#). This DLA intranet website is CAC-enabled and full of internal resources and information.



On the Announcements page, you can read IT-related updates like the new [Outlook retention policy coming Oct. 1, 2021](#). Emails will be purged/deleted on a continuous, daily cycle when they are seven years old. The majority of personnel should have no action to take, but if you are uncertain, please follow [this guide](#) or reach out to Energy's [Component Records Officer, Roland Brown](#), with questions.

Having computer or connectivity issues? Check out the [IT readiness update](#). This post is updated as needed and contains all types of useful IT information. New additions or changes are marked with the date updated.

In the main DLA Announcements, you can also catch up on what's going on around DLA and at the other MSCs including reconstitution status and updates.

Other resources available on [DLA Today](#) include ["Useful Links,"](#) a complete listing of all the web and app links you need to do your job.

You can also find helpful resources under the "Business Operations" menu including [Action Officer Tools](#) (PowerPoint templates, DLA Organizational Chart With Phone Numbers, and other administrative tools).

Under the "Business Operations" menu, you can also access [DLA Issuances](#) with links to DLA Instructions, Regulations, Manuals, Handbooks, Standard Operating Procedures, Directive-Type Memorandums, Joint Service Regulations and Decision Memorandums. The Issuances site has [search capability](#) so you can easily find the document you need.

So, the next time you struggle to find help or a resource, try searching [DLA Today!](#)

**HQC/NCR COVID-19 Reconstitution Status:
Phase 0 - HPCON B**

ASIAN PACIFIC AMERICAN HERITAGE MONTH

As we wrap up Asian Pacific American Heritage Month and honor those who have contributed to a rich and deeply rooted heritage, we interviewed the Acting Deputy Commander, Patricia Wilkins, and asked her about her career and what Asian Pacific American Heritage Month means to her.



Thank you LTC Perez, DLA Energy Americas East Commander, for representing the Army and DLA Energy as the guest speaker for St. Marys University of San Antonio, Texas, Reserve Officer Training Corps commissioning ceremony on May 14.

Results of Teal Ribbon Relay

After a terrific month of active DLA-wide participation in the [Sexual Assault Awareness and Prevention Month Teal Ribbon Relay](#), HQs J/D Codes won with 8,314 total miles. Energy came in fourth with 4,860 miles.

The winner will receive a plaque and all participants will receive a thank you certificate and teal lapel pin.

MSC Miles	
J/D Codes	8,314
Disposition	6,415
Aviation	5,053
Energy	4,860
Land & Maritime	4,283
Distribution	3,826
Troop Support	2,874
DLA Total:	35,627

Individual Miles	
Jacob Gabbert, Land & Maritime	520
LCDR Jason Pfaff, Troop Support	462

Excellence in Government Awards

Each year, Federal Executive Boards honor those who have demonstrated excellence in their fields across the federal government during an Excellence in Government Awards Program.

The Hawaii Pacific Executive Board recognized several DLA Energy personnel including:

- **Team Excellence: Energy Southwest Pacific**
- **Federal Employee of the Year – Professional, Administrative & Technical: Andrew Trask**, Energy Southwest Pacific
- **Federal Leader/Supervisor/Manager of the Year: David Moore**, Energy Okinawa
- **Exceptional Community Service: Amy Yamamoto**, Energy East Pacific

The Alamo Federal Executive Board recognized DLA Energy Aerospace Supplier Operations Director **Doug Smith** in the **supervisor category**.

Congratulations to all who were recognized!

Masks still required at DLA

Various requirements must be met before DLA (and other DoD agencies) can implement changes in DoD policy which no longer requires personnel to wear a mask at DoD facilities. DLA is working to meet these requirements.



For now, **there is no change in DLA's current mask policy**. The requirement to wear masks in DLA worksites applies to **all personnel**, including those who are fully vaccinated. More guidance will be sent when DLA policy changes. Read more in [this DLA Today announcement](#).

Upcoming DLA Energy regional change of commands

Region	Date	Incoming Commander
Okinawa	May 27	Air Force Maj Tony Anderson
Americas East	June 3	Army LTC Christopher Masson
Europe & Africa	June 4	Army LTC Benverren Fortune
Indo-Pacific	June 11	Navy CDR William Jakubowicz
South-West Pacific	June 25	Navy CDR Christopher Radke
Americas North	June 25	Air Force Maj Barton Land
Middle East	Aug. 4	Army LTC Alberto Cordova



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Click on the image to watch the May 19 town hall with DLA Director VADM Michelle Skubic on Facebook (account not needed to view).

[Read this DLA News story to learn more.](#)