



ENERGY CONNECTION



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A MESSAGE FROM THE COMMANDER Brig Gen Jimmy Canlas

Team Energy,

Being in the McNamara Auditorium and seeing some of our folks at last Monday's Supervisor Town Hall and employee All Hands is indicative of the slowly changing conditions of reintegration.

Reintegration continues to be foremost in our thoughts. I urge everyone to be patient. We expect new guidance from OSD on the return to work and the future of telework. As far as the Delta variant, we are keeping a close eye on it. As I have consistently emphasized, my #1 priority is the safety of our employees. We need to remain flexible and engaged as we shape the future to ensure a safe and methodical return to the workplace.

I want to welcome Mr. David Kless as the DLA Energy Deputy Commander. Mr. Kless is coming with a strong background in logistics from DLA J3 and as a Navy supply officer. Welcome Mr. Kless to the best MSC in DLA!

A huge warm welcome to all our new regional commanders! We have had six of the seven changes of command this summer with the final ceremony scheduled for Aug. 4 at DLA Energy Middle East. Read more about the new leaders on page 2 of this newsletter.

Continue to stay safe, exercise good health practices, and look out for one another.

Thank you Ms. Wilkins!

Over the last few months, we've had a rock star in our midst. The drummer of a rock band often does not bask in the spotlight like the lead singer or a lead guitarist, but their role is critical in keeping the band synchronized with a steady beat, busting riffs and sometimes breaking out in a drum solo.



Ms. Patricia Wilkins did exactly that. As the Acting Deputy Commander, she had to perform her drum solo early, with the shutdown of the Colonial Pipeline happening on her first day while I was TDY. Much like Larry Mullen, the drummer of the iconic rock band, U2, Patricia's steady drum beat--coupled with smarts, skill, and teamwork--got us through a challenging time. She also guided us through the Agency Management Review, the first MSC to go through an AMR since COVID and under a new grading system as I was TDY. Thank you Patricia for stepping up!

U2 has been going strong for over 45 years. Likewise, DLA Energy has been going strong for 76 years. Keep doing great things everyone, I can't thank you enough for all your hard work. You are all rock stars in your own right!

- Vegas



Ms. Wilkins was presented a token of appreciation from Brig Gen Canlas during the DLA Energy All Hands July 19. The gift is a pipeman drummer with a Command Coin kick drum.

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

DLA 3rd Quarter Employees of the Quarter

Congratulations to these Energy members selected to compete at the DLA 3rd Quarter Military and Employee Recognition Program.

Field Grade Officer Category:

Army MAJ Francesco Parillo, DLA Energy Middle East

Company Grade Category:

Air Force Capt Joseph Richard, DLA Energy Europe & Africa

Senior NCO Category:

Army SFC Elizabeth Grace, DLA Energy Middle East

Junior NCO Category:

Army SSG Nicholas McCall, DLA Energy Europe & Africa

Category B (GS/WG/WL 7-12):

Mr. Taylor Hart, DLA Energy Japan

Category C (GS13-15/WS):

Mr. Gregory Coleman, DLA Energy Americas

DLA Director's Strategic Goals Award Category:

Individual: **Mr. Michael J. Landry, DLA Energy Korea**

Small Team: DLA Energy Americas East Suppliers Operations Team:

Gabriel Tarango

Richard Dickson

John Stublar

Roger Sudtelgte

Benjamin Beadles

Nathan Nichols

Joshua Zehler

Michael Alessandro

Christopher Ward

Gary Simon

DLA Career Guide

Upcoming Career Broadening Opportunities

FY22 Enterprise Rotation Program nominations due Aug. 4. Enterprise assignments are cross-organizational, at the GS 11-15 level, 6-12 months long, are available at several locations throughout the Agency and begin in January 2022. Nomination packets must be submitted in the correct format through your chain of command and due to the SCG by noon Aug. 4. **NO EXCEPTIONS** More information available in this DLA Today announcement.

Join **DLA's Global Response Force!** Civilian volunteers who would like to serve as part of the Calendar Year 2022 GRF Rapid Deployment Team can learn more about it in this DLA Today announcement.



South-West Pacific
Navy CDR
Christopher Radke



Indo-Pacific
Navy CDR
William Jakubowicz



Europe & Africa
Army LTC
Benverren Fortune



Okinawa
Air Force Maj
Tony Anderson



Americas East
Army LTC
Christopher Masson



Americas North
Air Force Maj
Barton Land



Incoming Middle East
Army LTC
Alberto Cordova

Welcome
to new
DLA
Energy
regional
leaders!

Mark your calendars!

Leaders are planning both a morning and evening session to accommodate regional time zones:

Aug 9: Coffee with Commander for GS-13 and below

Aug 11: Donuts with Deputy for GS-13/14, Division/Branch/Section Chiefs only

Sept 2: Coffee with Commander for GS-13/14, Division/Branch/Section Chiefs only

Sept 9: Donuts with Deputy for GS-13 and below

DLA Energy Polo Shirt sales extended to July 30!

The shirt comes in men's or women's styles, 12 colors, option for a DLA Energy or pipeman patch, and great for the office.

Proceeds go to DLA Energy morale events being planned for this fall and the holidays.

For more information on how to order, contact [Michelle Groat](#).



Women's style



Men's style



Pipeman patch



DLA Energy patch