MEMORANDUM FOR DLA STRATEGIC MATERIALS DIRECTORS

SUBJECT: Annual Verification of NDS Inventory

DLA Strategic Materials operates under the authority of the Strategic and Critical Materials Stock Piling Act (50 U.S.C. §98, et seq.). The Stock Piling Act provides for acquisition, management, and stock retention of certain strategic and critical materials. Inspections of the Stockpile inventory are performed to examine the structural integrity of containers and pallets and also to verify that unit counts and lot weights are recorded correctly, thereby ascertaining if a lot is being stored in a safe manner and if it is ready for shipment.

Accordingly, MFR Methodology for Determining the Inspection Plan Used with Inspection Report Form 30 has established a 40%-minimum percentage of units that must be viewed to provide reasonable and acceptable surety and confidence in the findings. This level is adapted from MIL-STD-1916 which sets guidelines for inspection of all DOD materials. Form 30 instructions now state: “If less than 40% of the lot is visually accessible, the lot cannot be inspected until actions are taken to increase the lot’s visual accessibility to a minimum of 40%” and further “The inspector shall inspect the maximum % of each lot that is visually accessible. Do not stop at inspecting 40% of a lot when more of the lot is visually accessible.”

The Memorandum for the Record also serves as the final determination that the DLA Strategic Materials inspection program is within industry and DOD standards for containerized inventory.

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Attachments: MFR, MIL-STD-1916, Form 30 Inspection Report