

## **PSSIT and MEPIT INDUSTRY TRAINING PROGRAM**

### **Job Description:**

PSSIT affords MSTs a unique opportunity to expand their knowledge of commercial port operations. PSSIT selectees are expected to concentrate on port safety and/or security issues such as MTSA/TWIC implementation and compliance, facility safety compliance, containerized or explosive handling operations, maritime transportation system recovery, and novel industrial processes. PSSIT selectees for the one year program should focus on a specific issue or industry, to include programs with established maritime industry organizations or associations. PSSIT selectees can choose a specific issue or industry, but may also develop a program that provides a broadened experience. Past PSSIT selectees have concentrated on liquefied natural gas facilities, safety and security challenges at major port authorities, and the petrochemical supply chain.

MEPIT provides a unique opportunity for MSTs with a marine environmental protection background to gain insight into domestic and international pollution mitigation operations from the industry perspective. Past MEPIT selectees have conducted their industry training in the following areas of emphasis: oil spill removal, contingency planning, national-level organizational policymaking, and emergency management. Past training opportunities have included various oil spill response organizations, the American Petroleum Institute, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, the Bureau of Safety and Environmental Enforcement, and companies within the oil and salvage industries.

### **Qualifications:**

Ideal enlisted PSSIT applicants are MSTs (E6-E7) with over 6 years of Prevention or Response operations experience who have been granted the Facility Inspector and Container Inspector competencies and who have been authorized to wear the temporary or permanent Marine Safety Insignia.

Ideal enlisted MEPIT applicants are MSTs (E6-E7) with over 6 years of Response or Prevention operations experience and possess, at a minimum, either the Federal-On-Scene Coordinator Representative or Response Supervisor competency.

All applicants must be tour complete in AY15.

### **Timeline:**

The deadline for completed resume in Direct Access is 1 Sep 2014.

### **Application Process:**

Applicants applying should indicate on their e-resume the following information: why the applicant would like to be considered for the Industry Training Program and their specific industry training sub-program of choice (MEPIT or PSSIT), and their desired post-Industry Training Program billet. Applicants should ensure their competencies (i.e., qualifications) are properly captured in the Training Management Tool (TMT).

Command Endorsements are an extremely important part of an advanced training opportunity. Endorsements shall contain a summary of the applicant's interests, ability, knowledge (including relevant education, training, and competencies), and potential value to the service related to the requested industry training program. Endorsements for short-term quotas should address the ability to gap the applicant's position for up to three months. Only endorsements from the immediate chain of command are authorized. In the "Job Endorsement" page under the "Recommendation" drop-down menu, Commanding Officers should choose "Make Offer" to positively endorse a candidate's application.

Any information the candidate would like to communicate to the board may be listed in the E-resume comments section. (Step 11)

The E-resume process:

To request to screen for Advanced Training, **Do Not** request a specific billet, unit, or position on your E-resume. Use the following direct access procedure:

1. Create a new E-resume in Direct Access – SELF SERVICE – EMPLOYEE – TASKS – CREATE E-RESUME.
2. Select "Advanced Training" from the "Position Source" pull down menu.
3. Enter "491093" in the "Job Code". Click on the yellow highlighted button labeled "Search".
4. Select "MEPIT or PSSIT" from the listing by clicking on the check box under the column to the far right of your screen labeled "JOB BASKET"
5. After selecting the advanced training, click the yellow highlighted box at the bottom left of your screen labeled "ADD SELECTED TO JOB BASKET"
6. Click on the link labeled "VIEW JOB BASKET" directly to the right of the yellow highlighted box you used to add the selection to your job basket. This action will open a new screen. Ensure that MEPIT or PSIT Selection appears. It will show up as a PO1 Job Code.

7. When you see your selection in your job basket as desired, click on “APPLY FOR JOBS IN BASKET” to proceed with the E-resume submission. A screen with “13” steps will open.

8. While on “Step 12” screen, enter the EMPLID of your “**Commanding Officer**” Select the yellow arrow button and submit. You will receive a verification E-mail from Direct Access indicating your E-resume is in the system.

9. CO to endorse and mark Final. Endorsements shall contain a summary of the applicant’s interests, ability, knowledge (including relevant education, training, and competencies), and potential value to the service related to the requested industry training program. Only endorsements from the immediate chain of command are authorized. In the “Job Endorsement” page under the “Recommendation” drop-down menu, Commanding Officers should choose “Make Offer” to positively endorse a candidate’s application.

### **Questions:**

General questions regarding the Industry Training Program should be directed to LT Peter Francisco at (202) 372-2366.

Questions about assignment opportunities should be directed to the MST Assignment Officer, CWO Jeffrey Wenciker at (703) 872-6615

Questions regarding the application process for the Industry Training Program should be directed to Ms. Ada Harris at (703) 872-6594 or LT Michael Wurster at (703) 872-6594.