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From: Commandant (G-MOA)

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Subj: U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS CHEMICAL TESTING PROGRAM

1. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACOE) currently does not have a chemical testing program for their civilian employees in safety sensitive positions onboard its vessels. The USACOE has been developing a chemical testing program for over a year. Results of recent Coast Guard inspections of USACOE vessels have refocused their efforts to develop and implement a chemical testing program.
2. Representatives from the USACOE recently met with G-MOA to discuss this project. We are satisfied with their effort and have agreed to give the USACOE additional time to implement a program. Until further notice, during inspections of USACOE vessels, the chemical testing program requirements do not need to be reviewed and lack of a chemical testing program should not prevent issuance of a Certificate of Inspection. We expect the USACOE to implement a chemical testing program during 1998.
3. If you have any questions about this matter, please call LT Jennifer Ledbetter at (202) 267-0684.


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