USAPC - MANAGING PACKAGE PETROLEUM PRODUCTS
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CLASSIFICATION: UNCLASSIFIED (750-1B)

SUBJECT: MANAGING PACKAGE PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

A. REF 211230ZFEB95, SUBJECT: MAINTAINING AN EFFECTIVE QUALITY SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM FOR PACKAGED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS

B. REF 251730ZJUL96, SUBJECT: AVAILABILITY OF THE ON-LINE QUALITY STATUS LIST

C. REF 271750ZFEB97, SUBJECT: USERS GUIDE FOR PACKAGED PETROLEUM PRODUCTS FOR SHELF-LIFE UPDATE

D. REF 141300ZMAY98, SUBJECT: QUALITY STATUS LIST (QSL)

1. THIS MSG SHOULD BE DISSEMINATED TO ALL ACTIVITIES DOWN TO THE UNIT LEVEL RESPONSIBLE FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF PACKAGED PETROLEUM.

2. DURING RECENT ARMY ASSISTANCE/SUPPORT VISITS, SOME UNITS HAVE INQUIRED ABOUT ANY GUIDELINES AVAILABLE FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF PACKAGED POL. THE AREA OF MOST CONCERN LIES WITH DISPOSAL COSTS OF EXPIRED PRODUCTS.

3. THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION WILL BE HELPFUL TO YOU IN MAINTAINING A GOOD QUALITY PROGRAM AT THE UNIT LEVEL.

4. KEEP A LOG OF ALL PRODUCTS PROMINENTLY DISPLAYED TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING:

NOMENCLATURE,        NSN,        MILITARY SPECIFICATION,

DLA CONTRACT NUMBER,    BATCH/LOT,    DATE OF EXPIRATION,

CONDITION CODE,        SOURCE OF SUPPLY,    SHELF LIFE CODE

5. THE SOURCE OF SUPPLY (SOS) IS ONE OF THE KEY ELEMENTS IN THE MANAGEMENT OF PACKAGED POL. THE NSN AND SOS CAN BE OBTAINED FROM THE FED-LOG AND WILL BE IDENTIFIED BY THE CODE S9G IF THE ITEM IS MANAGED BY DEFENSE SUPPLY CENTER RICHMOND (DSCR). S9G MANAGES PACKAGE PETROLEUM PRODUCTS AND SPECIALTY CHEMICAL ITEMS FOR DOD AND HAS AN ACTIVE QUALITY SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM IN PLACE. REFER TO REFERENCES B AND D.
6. IF THE SOS IS GENERAL SERVICES ADMINISTRATION (GSA), SHELF-LIFE CRITERIA IS ADDRESSED IN FED-STD 793. FED-STD 793 PROVIDES DETAILED INSTRUCTIONS PERTAINING TO EXTENSION OF SHELF-LIFE BY END-USER, LENGTH OF SHELF-LIFE EXTENSION, AND LISTS TECHNICAL SUPPORT ACTIVITIES BY FSC RESPONSIBILITY.

7. UNDERSTANDING THE SHELF-LIFE CODE (SLC), IS ANOTHER KEY FACTOR IN THE MANAGEMENT OF PACKAGE PRODUCTS. THERE ARE TWO TYPES OF SLCS, TYPE I (NON EXTENDIBLE) AND TYPE II (EXTENDIBLE). ONCE A TYPE I ITEM REACHES ITS EXPIRATION DATE IT SHOULD BE DISPOSED OF. TYPE II SHELF-LIFE ITEMS CAN BE EXTENDED BY USING THE ON-LINE QSL, OR IF PRODUCT IS NOT FOUND IN THE QSL BY SUBMITTING A SAMPLE TO THE LAB FOR SPECIFICATION TESTING OR CONTACTING THE USAPC TO SEE IF AN ITEM HAS BEEN EXTENDED OR RECEIVE DISPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS.

A. TYPE I SLC IDENTIFIER IS ALPHABETICAL AND EASY TO MANAGE SINCE THE ITEM REQUIRES NO SAMPLING AND TESTING.

B. TYPE II SLC IDENTIFIER IS NUMERIC AND REQUIRES IMMEDIATE ATTENTION SINCE THEY REQUIRE SAMPLING AND TESTING FOR EXTENSION.

C. PACKAGED PRODUCTS WITH A SLC OF 0 (ZERO), WHETHER TYPE I OR TYPE II ARE NON DETERIORATIVE. THESE PRODUCTS REQUIRE LESS MANAGEMENT SINCE THE ITEM HAS NO EXPIRATION DATE.

8. WHEN RESEARCHING INFORMATION ON TYPE II PACKAGED PRODUCTS FOR THE NEW TEST DATES IN THE QSL YOU WILL NEED THE NSN, DLA CONTRACT NUMBER, AND LOT/BATCH NUMBER. NEW TEST DATES SHOULD BE DOCUMENTED AND POSTED IN THE PACKAGE PRODUCT STORAGE AREA.

9. THE HARD COPY, WHILE STILL AVAILABLE, QSL IS MANAGED BY DSCR, AND MAY BE OBTAINED BY CALLING DSN 695-4140 OR COMM 804-279-4140. IF YOU HAVE ACCESS TO A COMPUTER YOU CAN SIGN ON TO THE ON-LINE QSL (M204 PROGRAM) VIA NETWORK, MAINFRAME OR MODEM CONNECTIVITY. FOR FURTHER INFORMATION AND A USER ID FOR THE ON-LINE QSL, CONTACT DSN 430-1506, OR COMM 717-790-1506.

10. WHEN THE ITEM IS NOT LISTED IN THE QSL, THEN CONTACT THE US ARMY PETROLEUM CENTER FOR SAMPLING OR DISPOSAL INSTRUCTIONS AT DSN 771-5868 OR COMM 717-770-5868.

11. A WELL WRITTEN STANDING OPERATING PROCEDURE (SOP) THAT ADDRESSES STOCK ROTATION (FIRST-IN, FIRST-OUT) WILL ENSURE CONTINUITY OF THE PROGRAM AND GREATLY DECREASE HIGH DISPOSAL COSTS.
12. FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REFER TO DA PAM 710-2-1 AND DLAR 4155.37, APPENDIX G.

13. POC FOR THIS CENTER IS MS CATHY CHERIS FREEMAN AND MS ILEANA YOST, DSN 771-5868/6053, OR COMM 717-770-5868/6053.