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NEWS

HDER Program Developments

- FY 2003 fourth quarter equipment deliveries have been made to Georgia, Washington, Utah, Ohio, and Nebraska. FY 2004 first quarter deliveries have been made to Ohio and New Mexico. Additional equipment deliveries are pending to Mississippi and Indiana.

HDER Program Review Meeting

The HDER program partners met in Washington, D.C. on October 16, 2003 to evaluate the program since its expansion nationwide. Program partners discussed the need to clarify some misconceptions regarding the level of detection accuracy of the equipment, particularly the calibration issue. Also discussed were the completion of the HDER Program Plan and additional materials to support HPS local chapter involvement in HDER.

HDER White Paper in Development

HPS, in coordination with the HDER program partners, is currently developing a brief document detailing the equipment inspection and repair process, as well as the position of HDER on calibration of equipment provided through the program.

Finalization of HPS Manual

ODP is currently working with the HPS Homeland Security Committee to finalize a HDER program support manual for distribution to participating local HPS chapters. This manual will provide HPS members with a suite of standardized tools to enhance their knowledge of the program and ability to offer states and territories local long-term technical support as part of the HDER Program.

Surplus Navy Equipment

The HDER Program is pleased to announce the delivery of nearly one thousand U.S. Navy surplus AN/PDR-27 radiation detection systems. Working together with both the Navy's Radiac Program, located within NAVSEA, and the Department of Energy, it is anticipated that at least several thousand of these systems will be made available through the HDER Program during the next several quarters. These units are known to be both rugged and dependable. The large analog read-out is easy to view, and the entire system, to include the carrying case, has been designed for military use. The retail "acquisition" value of each of these AN/PDR-27 radiation detection systems is approximately \$1,400.

AN/PDR-27 TECHNICAL DESCRIPTION: Beta-gamma survey meter, portable, watertight, battery operated radiation detector and indicator. With carrying handle and a shoulder harness. Powered by six 1 ½ volt commercial "D" cells. Direct reading and aural. Size: 11 17/32" x 5" x 7 7/8". Weight: 6.6 lbs.

Detects and measure beta and gamma radiation together or gamma radiation alone. For gamma radiation, the probe can be used in the mounting well or removed for close range detection of low level radiation. For detection of beta radiation, a shield on the end of the longer compartment of the probe must be moved aside. Four sensing ranges, 0.5, 5, 50 and 500 mR/h. Halogen filled G-M tube detection elements (one for low range and one for high range).

HPS Grant Reimbursement

HPS local chapter members are reminded that activities in support of the HDER Program are reimbursable via the HDER Services Management Tool. ODP has provided HPS with a grant for the costs of training HPS volunteers and for the costs incurred by HPS members when providing long-term technical support for the states and local jurisdictions participating in the HDER Program. Allowable costs include: travel (mileage related to use of personal vehicles, parking, tolls, subsistence, etc.); communications (telephone, fax, etc.); equipment procurement (batteries, check sources, spare parts, etc.). As services are delivered, each local chapter will request reimbursement for allowable costs from the HPS Executive Secretariat using the HDER Services Management Tool. The HPS Executive Secretariat will review these requests to ensure that all costs are allowable, and then reimburse the local chapter from the grant.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

December 2003

- End of ordering period is December 22. After this date, states will not be able to place services requests via the HDER Services Management Tool again until January 1, 2004. This is necessary to allow equipment requests placed during the fiscal quarter to be finalized.

January 2004

- The equipment inventory list for the second quarter of fiscal year 2004 will be released on January 1, 2004.

HDER PROGRAM CONTACT INFORMATION

Questions about the HDER Program and requests for additional information may be directed to the ODP Helpline at 1-800-368-6498 or via e-mail at ASKCSD@ojp.usdoj.gov.

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