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MEMORANDUM FOR COMPONENT ACQUISITION EXECUTIVES

SUBJECT: Training Course Change for Level II Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act (DAWIA) Program Management (PM) Certification

Starting in November 2011, CON 115, Contracting Fundamentals, will replace CON 110, Mission Support Planning, as a core training requirement for PM Level II DAWIA certification. After December 2011, Defense Acquisition University (DAU) will no longer offer CON 110.

CON 115 will have three modules: 1) Acquisition Planning and Developing the Customer's Requirement; 2) Mission Strategy Execution; and 3) Mission Performance Assessment. The first module covers all of the CON 110 mission-support planning learning objectives. In addition, CON 115 covers mission strategy execution (source selection) and contractor performance assessment (metrics and remedies). CON 090, Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) Fundamentals is not a required prerequisite to CON 115 for PM career field, it is only required if assigned to the Contracting career field.

The PM Functional Integrated Product Team (FIPT) met on September 27, 2011. The PM FIPT members agreed that either of the following on-line courses will fulfill the CON course requirement for PM Level II certification:

- 1. CON 110-Mission-Support Planning; or
- 2. CON 115-Contracting Fundamentals

CON 115 will be open for enrollment on November 28, 2011. In FY 2012, one final section of CON 110 will be offered to the PM career field with rolling admission through December 2011, after which it will be retired from DAU's course offerings. PM career field member who are certified at Level II or III are encouraged to take CON 115 as Core Plus continuous learning.

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