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U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
NATIONAL OCEANIC AND ATMOSPHERIC ADMINISTRATION

NOAA COMMISSIONED OFFICER BILLET DESCRIPTION

TO: DIRECTOR, COMMISSIONED PERSONNEL CENTER, CPC

FROM: Commissioned Personnel Center
ROUTING CODE: CPC2
ADDRESS:
8403 Colesville Rd., Suite 500
Silver Spring, MD 20910-3282

PHONE NUMBER: (301) 713-3444

THRU (Liaison Officer):
Commanding Officer, MOC-Atlantic

BILLET TITLE: Commanding Officer, RONALD H. BROWN
BILLET #: 0700

RANK REQUESTED: (0-2. 0-3, 0-4, etc.) O-6
GS/GM EQUIVALENT: Master

(This block to be completed by liaison officer)
IS THIS A NEW BILLET: [ ] YES [X] NO
BILLET PRIORITY: [X] A, [ ] B, [ ] C, [ ] R

IMMEDIATE SUPERVISOR:	TITLE:	PHONE NUMBER:
	Commanding Officer, MOA	(757) 441-6776

EDUCATIONAL REQUIREMENTS:

Per NOAA Corps entry standards.

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS (INCLUDE PARTICULAR SECURITY CLEARANCES, SKILLS, ETC...)

Successful completion of previous Executive Officer tour aboard any NOAA vessel, 60 months sea duty and qualification as a SWO. Successful completion of all REFTRA modules within previous 12 months of reporting date, or having met recency requirements as set forth in "Refresher Training" found in Chapter 4 of NOAA Corps Regulations. (Cont. in SECTION 4)

1. GENERAL DESCRIPTION OF BILLET:

The function of the NOAA Ship RONALD H. BROWN is worldwide support to scientific studies intended to increase our understanding of the world's oceans and climate.
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The responsibility of the Commanding Officer for his/her command is absolute, except when, and to the extent, relieved therefrom by competent authority. The authority of the Commanding Officer is commensurate with her/his responsibility, subject to the limitations prescribed by law. While he/she may, at her/his discretion, and when not contrary to law or NOAA regulations, delegate authority to his/her subordinates for the execution of details, such delegations of authority shall in no way relieve the Commanding Officer of her/his continued responsibility for the safety, well-being, and efficiency of his/her entire command.

Administration 15% Management 70% Technical 0% Operational 15%

2. DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:
a. Is this a supervisory billet? [X] YES [ ] NO
b. If so, state number and grade of personnel supervised. Number: 27 Grade(s):

a. Responsible for safe navigation, route planning and effective bridge resource management.
b. Responsible for proper maintenance and readiness of the vessel.
c. Responsible to develop and maintain a high state of discipline and morale aboard the vessel. The Commanding Officer is required to show in himself/herself a good example of honor, respect, and commitment and to be vigilant in inspecting the conduct of all persons who are placed under her/his command.
d. Prepare subordinates to grow to the extent they can assume command or supervisory responsibilities.
e. Responsible for effective management of the vessel's funding.
f. Responsible for establishing the Ship's Standing Orders.
g. Promulgate command policies through the Executive Officer.

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3. CAREER DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES:

This billet provides the incumbent with the unique opportunity to command one of the Nation's public vessels. This position is the highest seagoing billet attainable. The incumbent is fully prepared for a NOAA upper level line division management position.

4. ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:

OTHER QUALIFICATIONS (Cont.) An officer who holds a valid USCG license may be required to complete some training prior to reporting. This will be addressed on a case by case basis. Completion of GMDSS and all other STCW95' requirements as required by a vessel of this particular tonnage is required. Prior Command or recommendation for Command on an OER.

SIGNATURE OF SUPERVISOR:	DATE: 06/28/2006

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