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**Subject:** RE: DCO MS Update  
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Sir,

Minimal damage to MS and the state requested no additional assets from the Federal Government as a result of Rita. Two tornadoes are reported to have touched down today, but we have not received a damage report yet. There are several thousand out of state evacuees in shelters across the state, but there is still capacity. We should have an updated number of citizens in shelters by tomorrow morning. No anticipated need for supplies or commodities. The largest cost to MS operation was the loss of about 72 hours in our recovery efforts. The threat of tornadoes continues for the next 12 hours and flooding over the next 48 hours. The state can handle 8-10" of water before we experience any river flooding. The forecast is for between 2-5" over the next 24 hours. Local flash flooding is always a concern. Tonight is the last night we will conduct 24 hours opns because FEMA is reducing their operation to a 12 hour shift.

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Sir,

All state and local preparations are in place for Rita. The State EOC reopened and is controlling emergency response operations. The USCG has adequate S&R helos and rescue boats to handle the projected demand. Mandatory evacuation for Hancock county has been in effect all day, and voluntary evacuation notices were issued for Harrison and Jackson counties. Evacuation traffic has been steady but unimpeded. Evacuees from TX and LA continue to enter the state, but there is still room in the shelters. To date, there has been some local flooding in Hancock county, but the state has not asked for assets from FEMA and does not expect to ask for any. The prediction is still for a 3-4 foot surge near high tide. Concerns in order of importance to the state are floods, tornados and surge.

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Sir,

Negligible effects as Rita passed the coast of MS around noon today. The Governor issued a mandatory evacuation for low-lying areas in Hancock county (Westernmost southern county) and voluntary evacuation for the other two southernmost counties. With the current populations, expect about 2,000 people to evacuate. Current prediction is 2-5 inches of rain in southern areas with some flooding of Jordan river. The latest prediction is that there will be no tidal surge, but moderately higher tides and surf. The associated 70% chance of showers will ease the concerns over forest fires. The state reestablished their EOC and EOC forward and are prepared for emergency response functions if needed. Additional shelters have been opened and busses are standing by as a contingency. The cruise ship Holiday remains anchored in Mobile, AL. The state does not anticipate the need for any Federal assets in support of Rita. The MA for the VIASAT comms package is complete and forwarded to NC. I will personally monitor its progress.

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Sir,

VADM Allen visited the JFO today and met with state and local officials. The discussions included no-notice Red Cross distribution sites, emergency housing, debris removal and FEMA mitigation and assistance dollars. There was a long discussion about the Governor's recovery, rebuilding and renewal commission. It consists of the state's 44 most prominent business leaders and is chaired by Mr. Jim Barksdale the former CEO of Netscape. We also had a wildfire counsel meeting and discussed long-term solutions for fire response so we could set the conditions for relief of the MAFFS aircraft on alert at Pensacola. Hurricane Rita passed our last decision point at 1730 CST. We are still monitoring and working branches and sequels. If it continues on the current path, we do not expect to get any rain. It will reach it's closest point to MS at noon tomorrow. We may see 1-2 feet above normal tide level. A costal tidal watch has been issued. Port authorities think it will be a nuisance at most. I have your intent on the SATCOM package and am working it with NORTHCOM J6. Started MA process but can turn off if the PFO does not concur with the e-mail you sent him. The RIPTOA between TF Cyclone and TF Magnolia will be complete at 230001SEP05. Cyclone has 2BNs(+) on stand-by to reinforce in Texas. There was a rumor about FEMA hoarding fuel that started a local run at gas stations. VADM Alan held a short press conference to debunk the rumor. Reports are that things are approaching normal. Discussing disengagement criteria for DCE with the FCO, trying to depart with at least some of the team by the weekend.

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Sir

Continuing contingency planning for Hurricane Rita. Established a joint planning cell and added additional decision points to the FEMA plan. Decision Points 1 and 2 coincide with 1A DPs 2 and 3 and are triggers for alert and evacuation decisions. Still working points of departure for workers, movement for citizens without transportation, collapsing temporary housing back into shelters north, and establishing a plan for tracking contractors.

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Sir,

No change to priorities. The threat of forest fires returned to the critical level today. In addition to the two MAFF aircraft on alert at Pensacola, MS activated an EMAC for two more National Guard aircraft. We've got the first real metrics on temporary housing. There are currently 747 units occupied of the 11,000 needed. It took 6 weeks to reach this level of occupation in FL last year. Still receiving 450-500 travel trailers per day, with 3,800 units staged. 160 people are currently housed aboard the cruise ship Holiday. Two additional DRCs will open tomorrow for a total of nine. Continuing contingency planning for Hurricane Rita. Added decision points to the FEMA plan. Decision Points 1 and 2 coincide with 1A DPs 2 and 3 and are triggers for alert and evacuation decisions. They have established a joint planning cell with the state, and are tied in with the Governor as the decision maker. They are currently working points of departure for workers, movement for citizens without transportation, collapsing temporary housing back into shelters north, and establishing a plan for tracking contractors.

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Sir,

FCO priorities remain safety, temporary housing and DRCs. We held another temp housing meeting today, and pinned the rose on several agencies to execute the objectives developed yesterday. I think we're on our way. The shelter population is down to about 8,000 people. That's about half of what they had a week ago. I think that's a testament to making contact and registering about 17,000 people per day. Almost 3,500 trailers are in the state, and we're making some progress getting families moved in.

The long pole is site selection, preparation and establishing utility service. FEMA and MEMA have established 20 joint housing teams that will be assigned to each of the lower 3 counties and their municipalities to help coordinate at the lowest level. The Governor is hosting a building and renaissance conference starting tomorrow to discuss long-term plans for rebuilding the state. American Red Cross distribution centers are still a problem, and the FCO requested FEMA National's help again to get 48 hour notice on site selection to establish security, crowd control and to help manage expectations.

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Sir,

No change to priorities. The first families will be enroute to the cruise ship Holiday tomorrow. Port surveys are complete, and both Pascagoula and Gulfport should be operational in two weeks. Local insect spraying by a contract vender is continuing in isolated areas, no DoD requests for spraying. More rain helped the forest fire threat, but it's too early to make a call on the MAFFS. I'd like to delay the call until Monday. The SCO is sending a blanket approval for the release of any DoD assets currently assigned to the JTF and working in LA. We may move to the JFO tomorrow. Some Pics of the DRC in Ocean Springs are attached, courtesy of COL Young (B6)

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Sir,

Recovery operations continue with an FCO priority on safety, temporary housing and establishing DRCs. Commodities on hand are not an issue, and the next two days of scheduled MRE deliveries from DLA will close-out the need. See attached document for an idea of Federal aid to local governments to date. A steady flow of travel trailers is coming into the state. The projected sustained rate is 450-500 units per day for at least the next two weeks. 12,720 National Guardsmen BOG.

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Sir,

I invite your attention to page A-17 of the attached document for general SA. It's a temporary disaster housing information sheet that explains who is eligible and how individuals request travel trailers. There are currently 1,500 trailers staged, 500 at sites, 178 ready to occupy and 58 leased. FEMA is working the final details for bussing displaced citizens to the cruise ship Holiday in Mobile since the port of Pascagoula will not be ready to accept the ship for several days. The first checks were issued to city/county governments today to help them meet payrolls and reestablish local government. Coordinated with MAFF aircraft and integrated them into the overall fire response program. Critical incident stress teams began briefs and counseling for emergency workers. The move to the JFO was delayed due to connectivity problems. We hope to move over the weekend. The Civil Air Patrol concluded operations in MS today after flying 280 hours over MS, and volunteering over 12,000 hours.

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Sir,

Nearly 10,000 citizens have been processed through DRCs to date. 12 additional sites will be established over the next 10 days to meet their goal of one in each of the 15 most effected counties. 180,000 registrations to date. 240<sup>th</sup> Quartermaster was nominated for release from the JOA, and will be presented with tomorrow's offering. The Seabees continue local work in the community. I discussed concerns outlined in the Economy Act and local contractor efforts to stimulate the economy with the skipper today. Beginning tomorrow, he will focus his efforts inside his base, and finish a few missions he already started in the community. He has one battalion working in LA, two battalions available for missioning through the JTF, and one preparing to deploy on a scheduled cruise. FEMA will send a mobile DRC to serve the 200 families of deploying sailors before they depart in about two weeks. Potential for forest fires is rising due to drying debris and downed trees, especially in the 6 southernmost counties. The MSNG has a plan for handling the coast, using two Chinooks with buckets. The State and National forest service developed a combined plan for dealing with inland issues. They have staged 3 helicopters and 5 Type II hand saw crews in the effected area. There is no significant rainfall projected through the end of the month.

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Sir,

At least 1,250 travel trailers are staged in the state, 135 are ready for occupancy, 20 are leased. Goal is 10,000 units by the end of Sept. St. James Elementary School in Gulfport opened today, thanks to repairs by the Seabees. Shelter population dropped from 1,300 to 9,700 yesterday. The LIMFAC for opening new DRCs is the number of trained workers. FEMA National is providing an additional 50 tomorrow. This should get us over the hump. 527 roofs have been tarped to date. MSNG is collapsing their operation back towards the Gulf Coast. The state is hiring unemployed security guards from the Gulf Coast to augment local security operations and relieve Guardsmen from those kinds of duties. The state currently has about 20% more medical capability than they had pre-landfall. FEMA asked for a DLA push of MRE's to offset a transportation shortfall, and NORTHCOM G4 is shipping 10 trucks a day for the next 7 days to meet that requirement. USDA food flow to shelters is more than adequate. All commercial fuel resupply will be accomplished by civilian contract by COB Wednesday. This will make the 240<sup>th</sup> Quartermaster Co. available to JTK-Katrina for remissioning by Friday.

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Unified strategy meetings continue to pay off, especially with asset and resource integration. FCO/SCO priorities for the short term are motor home housing and increasing the number of DRCs. They have added more measurable objectives to the Incident Action Plan to get a better metric of progress. I've attached the most recent ICS. It includes a series of stand alone attachments as fact sheets that explain policies for representatives in the field. They discuss subjects like motel reimbursement, camp billeting, debris removal, property inspections, chain saw and generators, etc. MS has processed over 136,000 registrations to date. EPA conducted a detailed assessment of refineries and petrol-chemical sites and determined there were no major impacts. We are gradually phasing DoD out of the bulk fuel business by having FEMA let more contracts. They need long term solutions and we need to stimulate the local economy. FEMA currently has 520 community relations representatives in the field. No accurate count on the number of citizens in shelters because NGO shelters have no requirement to report, but numbers are steadily decreasing. The USS Comfort has treated 6 patients to date. The Civil Air Patrol has made initial contact with 2,510 households and over 5,000 citizens to date. They've flown over 3,000 hours and volunteered nearly 9,000 hours. The forest service developed a fire response plan to augment local fire departments in the coastal regions. I don't anticipate moving into DFO/JFO until Friday.

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Sir,

More recovery today. Housing Task Force is in full swing and has a long-term and a short-term occupation plan. Debris removal is now taking place in 12 counties. Roof tarping is at full speed. The cruise ship cannot dock until adequate fresh water is available. FEMA is working a barge contract that should be in place in a few days. See attached slide for an assessment of recovery by county.

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Sir,

Today was the last day for Urban Search and Rescue, and we made more strides towards recovery. The first major business on the coast reopened, employing over 500 people. Electric power is expected to be reinstated for everyone that can take it by COB Sunday. It is estimated that 30,000 customers will not be able to accept power due to home damage. Expect the first 25 displaced families to move into travel trailers tonight. The housing TF expanded their charter and will now locate and emplace temporary schools in the southern counties as well. 280 FEMA external affairs people are engaged in community relations and are providing eligibility information throughout the region. The state contracted to spray pesticide for mosquitoes in selected areas tomorrow. Need for DoD massive spray is no longer anticipated. 3 fixed DRCs are operational and that will increase to 5 tomorrow. 3 mobile DRCs are operational. There are less than 100 patients in the 1,200 patient field hospital in Meridian. That facility will be reduced to half its capacity this weekend. The USS Comfort arrived approx. 1600 CST. The cruise ship Capt. Completed his assessment of the Pascagoula port, but no report on his findings.

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Sir,

LTG Honore, the SCO and FCO had a good visit with the Vice President today. Representatives from the six most devastated counties talked in a forum and were very positive about the support they received from the state and federal sources. Among their concerns were debris remove and temporary housing. Debris removal is well under way with about 20,000 Cubic Yards being removed daily. The first travel trailer housing site is going being established in Purvis near Hattiesburg. 300 units are going in, but they won't be able to occupy until Monday as they try to get the plumbing and sewer completely installed before they inhabit. Two cruise ships are earmarked for MS, and berthing for one is scheduled for Pascagoula, pending a port assessment. One mayor asked for tetanus immunizations and an aid

station. The MSNG will link up at his city hall at 0800 tomorrow. Nearly 32,000 doses of tetanus vaccine has been distributed to the declared county medical facilities to date. Mobile immunization teams are circulating throughout the declared counties, and one team inoculated over 1,200 people today alone. Roofing is in full swing. 4 fixed DRCs are open and 3 mobile DRCs are functioning. 38 trucks arrived with USDA food for hot meal preparation in shelters.

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Sir,

We had our first real unified strategy meeting, with all key players. The FCO, SCO, Governor's Rep, TAG, Public Safety and all ESF state and federal principals were present. A TF was established to set 1, 3, 6 and 24 month goals/objectives. No change to mission priorities. The MSNG continues deliberate ground search and rescue, commodity distribution and security. The state is working hard to get full visibility of all citizens residing in shelters. They have control of all government sponsored shelters, but are trying to get their arms around NGO efforts. NDMS and CDC continue the medical/health assessment. Another bogus report of disease in a shelter was squelched today. There are no confirmed cases of cholera. In the recovery effort, over \$3.8M has already been distributed to citizens. 56K registrations have been made to date and 172 FEMA inspectors are in the field. Gas lines are approaching normal throughout the area. 12 Critical incident stress counselors are working with first responders. Mobile DRCs have been dispatched and there is a plan to cover the areas that will not receive the large fixed sites. 4 fixed sites will be open by Friday. Power was restored to 280K yesterday, and only 300K citizens remain without power. USPS dispatched mobile teams to deliver mail to devastated areas.

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Sir,

Some giant strides towards recovery were initiated today. The first Disaster Recovery Center opened in Ocean Springs. This is where State, Federal, NGO, Loan Officers and Small Business Administration set up a field office to start taking claims and addressing concerns. The second should open in Pascagoula on Friday. Plans are underway to establish the first travel trailer housing center in Picayune, Wiggins or Lucedale. They are looking to begin establishing a 6,000 family site by Friday. This is a CCIR to CG1A. Debris removal began in Jackson county and temp roofing will begin tomorrow. CDC vector control will make an insect assessment tomorrow to decide if they need to request spraying. A 500 Bed medical facility is set up at Meridian NAS and began taking patients today. The TAG, MS and the Governor assured LTG Honore that they have control of operations in Mississippi. The CG reinforced to everyone that they are in charge of the MS operation. Everyone else is in support. There was a rumor on the local news that a Biloxi Shelter closed down because of dysentery. Not true. Approx. 20 people suffered from diarrhea after some children refilled water jugs from a local water source verses the potable water supplied. The shelter is open and fully functional. No commodity issues. 219 trucks throughput today. Twice the number two days ago.

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Sir,

We continue to complete emergency response and transition into Recovery. The task of the day was water. NORTHCOM is pushing 4M liters per day down to get supplies on the ground. The Seabees in Gulfport will provide 1.2M gals of bulk water per day. That will eliminate the bulk water supply problem but we still need to work local distribution issues. The Corps of Engineers contracted bulk storage and that should finalize the long-term issue. All other commodities are green and sustainable at that level. Commercial comms continues to improve with at least some cell phone coverage throughout the battle space. Some land line service is returning to the coastal counties. 3,000 AM/FM radios are being distributed by the MSNG locally, and an additional 10,000 are enroute. The inbound 10,000 radios will be distributed by FEMA. The FCO, MS assumed full responsibility for Mission Requests from FEMA region IV at 1930 CST today. This is a function that is not normally transferred until the FEMA Joint Field Office is established. The FCO made the decision because the Emergency Response Team (ERT) has grown large enough to fully C2 all functions and ESFs. The move to a permanent facility has been postponed, pending the progress of the recovery effort. He would like to move as far forward as possible without adding undue pressure to any community with the influx of a 2,000 PAX support staff. I expect a move to Hattiesburg near the end of next week if adequate

infrastructure is restored by then. If not, I expect the decision will be to move to a larger facility in Jackson and remain there.

Need guidance. I'm already getting requests for DoD to support Recovery Phase operations. We have traditionally concentrated on Emergency Response Phase tasks, and performed very few Recovery functions. The concern here is that missions such as debris clearing and temporary roof repair may exceed the abilities of available contractors, and they may require additional manpower. We may want to get clarification of what the end state and disengagement criteria may be now so we can manage expectations and anticipate needs.

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Sir,

The state and FEMA are focusing more on the strategic level. They've established several ESF specific task forces and are making significant progress on longer range projects. We're still deeply in the emergency response phase, but we are finally turning the corner and doing less knee-jerk reacting. We're well over the hump on food. The 40K cases of MREs are arriving and will all be on the ground tonight. I've asked everyone to start brain-storming options for hot meal support at distribution sites and base camps. The NGOs seem to have a handle on some of the shelters, but there will be a point in the near future where the need may exceed the ability of contractors to support the demand. The alarm of a widespread virus was squelched. There are only a handful of sporadic cases. Non-critical medical patients continue to be transferred on a regular basis. We're over 1,500 patients to date. Fuel is a low green. We offered a MAJ to head the fuel TF and it really paid off. Some minor distro problems, but they will all be solved Tuesday when a contract for 10 local haul trucks goes into effect. This will allow us to surge with 100K gallons daily for 10 days. Electricity coming on line, scattered throughout the battle-space. Some power even restored in Gulfport area. Keesler AFB at 50% power. No reliable estimates on the number of customers FEMA's ERT-A accepted battle-handover from ROC Region IV at 1930 local. Still at 153 confirmed deaths.

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Sir,

The state and FEMA are trying hard to expand their focus to the strategic level. Water and food are top priorities. I think we have a pretty good handle on water with deliveries today, and that should be a solid amber. The MS C-17 is enroute to Norfolk to pick up a load of MREs. They will arrive there at 1550 CST and arrive Gulfport 1950. They will lift about 5,000 cases of MREs. NORTHCOM is flying 8 C-17s tomorrow, carrying 40,000 cases. FEMA contracted 5 trucks to pick-up additional MREs from Norfolk tomorrow. This should make us green on food. Communications is much better and they are receiving regular reports from across the State. We've established a state/federal task force to handle all fuel issues. Fuel supply is upgraded to amber and should be green with tomorrow's deliveries. Electricity is coming on from the north part of the state to the south. Good progress, but a lot left to do. 13,000 in shelters with excess shelter capacity. Long range concerns are temporary housing, transportation of minimal care patients and long term logistics.

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We're flying 19K gallons of bulk water from the Bataan to Gulfport tonight. NORTHCOM is attempting to get 10K water purification kits delivered to MS tomorrow. Each purifies 2 liters of water and are very easy to transport and distribute. These two efforts should bring our water status to Amber tomorrow. New contracts by FEMA and the state should be able to sustain that level for the next several days until flow rates reach steady-state levels. FEMA has a substantial number of MREs released from DLA and is arranging transportation. NORTHCOM is attempting to provide an emergency supply by air or ground tomorrow that should get us to Amber on food until normal flow of product from FEMA resumes. Fuel for Meridian and Shelby is being sourced, and we think it will arrive tomorrow. When this arrives and is distributed, we'll move into Amber for fuel for emergency response vehicles and commodity trucks. COL Robbie Woods and her folks earned their money today. Received 10 truckloads of medical supplies. Continue to move critical patients. Communications in the region is now Amber, due the issue of a large number of SAT phones for local, state and federal workers and the restoration of a limited cell phone network. 38ID is sending a planning cell to augment the MSNG JOC. Bullet Young arrived in Gulfport

with his LNO team and linked-up with the TAG and his staff. The Governor did not make an announcement about increased death toll in his press conference.

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Sir,

I have been receiving inaccurate reports on the amount of food and water being delivered to the MS area. FEMA released some updated figures this morning that show only 100 ice, 100 water and 12 food arrived in the area yesterday. This is against a daily requirement of 450, 450 and 25. What is being delivered is being throughput and delivered directly to distribution centers, but the volume is just too low. FEMA, the Corps of Engineers and DLA are working frantically and initiating new contracts, but we are well below the requirement right now. I expect the Governor to announce a "significant" increase to the death toll today. The current number is 117 confirmed deaths. These two issues together may create a public perception that the increased deaths are due to the lack of supplies when they are in fact due to initial storm surge. NGOs are arriving in the area and coordinating directly with the state. They are currently feeding about 5% of the shelters and should increase their production considerably over the next few days. They are also establishing a base camp to hold 30K and feed 100K. There are currently about 13,000 in shelters and increasing daily. The estimate is that 138K restored power yesterday with 700K left without power. NDMS continues to transfer patients and move supplies and DoD is assisting with that effort. There are currently 10 DMATs working and that appears adequate when viewed with the 100+ doctors that have been distributed. 2 Mortuary Affairs teams with 800+ body bags. There have been sporadic reports of rock throwing and small crowds of disorderly citizens, but no reportable acts of violence. There is a report that there is unrest in a southern prison, but nothing has been confirmed. There is concern over rising anguish levels in citizens and a heightened sense of awareness. Fuel for support and supply vehicles is still a problem, but I think we'll be over the hump by the end of the day today. We're over the hump with communications and all counties reported in to the MEMA this morning for the first time. Comms architecture should improve even more over the course of the day. TAG Florida sent a planning team to work with the MSNG. They formed a cell and are doing a great job developing a long range plan so MSNG can focus on immediate needs. The SRAAG will submit a separate report, but the MSNG capability has tripled in the past two days. They have somewhere in the neighborhood of 6,000 soldiers on the ground and more are arriving by the hour. The FCO and SCO are returning to Jackson to coordinate efforts from the EOC and their deputies are replacing them forward in Gulfport.

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Sir,

Priorities still the same for the afternoon: SAR, COMMS, water-food-ice, healthcare, fuel, security.

A push to talk comms system is going in this afternoon that should give state and local workers the connectivity they need to begin sending requests for support forward. Lack of communications in the affected area has been the single largest problem with the operation to date. Bulk distribution fuel trucks are being dispatched to the Chevron refinery for resupply. This should eliminate most of the fuel problem for food/water trucks, but will take most of the day to get distributed out to where it is needed. The MSNG is refueling the generators at 6 hospitals that reported being critically low this morning. The Corps of Engineers has a plan to send additional generators to these and other hospitals to give them enough power to run A/C units. Throughput of supplies directly to distribution centers and shelters continues. Nearly all assets are still going to the 6 southernmost counties. Yesterday's supply was 700 trucks. The request for today was 450 water, 450 ice and 35 MRE. They think this will be enough to sustain their daily rate. NGOs are moving in to shelters in the 6 southern counties today and should help augment this effort with some hot food capability. About 100,000 people are reported as living in shelters. 5 DMAT teams are deployed and operational. 1 DMORT is in place with 8 reefers for bodies. Another had been requested and should arrive tonight or tomorrow. 800 body bags will arrive today. FEMA is establishing 3 base camps for workers, but they won't be in place for about 4 days. Still flying 19 SAR aircraft. More to follow.

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**Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED

**Operation:** DCE Mississippi Hurricane Katrina Disaster Relief Support

**MSGID:** SITREP 25/(B6) /251900(S)Sep05

**Period Covered:** 241900Sep05 – 251900Sep05 As of: 251900Sep05 (Local)

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Water Restoration						
Distribution Ops						
Medical Support**						
SAR Ops						
Road Restoration						
Airport Restoration						NA
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Law/Security						
Schools Reopened						
Fuel Available						

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- **ESF#1 Transportation** – Working with GSA to provide transportation for displaced Americans from shelters in Jackson County to cruise ship in Mobile, AL.



- **ESF#2 Communications** – Coordinating the deployment of four SATCOM vehicles to four designated DRCs. Evaluating a potential communications requirement at the Stennis MS airport. Will report findings in next SITREP.

- **ESF #3 Public Works** – Cubic yard debris removed to date is 3,180,562 from the counties of Jackson, Jones, Forrest, George, Hancock, Lamar, Lincoln, and Harrison. Waveland debris contractor completed the first pass with a total of 56,000 CY picked up to date. Woodville in Wilkinson County is cleared of debris (the debris will be chipped by the city).

- **ESF #4 Fire Services – (No Change)** Mississippi Forestry Commission (MFC) officials are advising the public to not burn debris from cleanup efforts because it may lead to wildfires.

Current 30 Counties are under Burning Bans effective September 15, 2005:

Adams	Amite	Carroll	Clarke	Covington
Forrest	George	Greene	Hancock	Harrison
Jackson	Jasper	Jeff-Davis	Jones	Lamar
Lauderdale	Lawrence	Lincoln	Marion	Monroe
Montgomery	Pearl River	Perry	Pike	Quitman
Simpson	Stone	Walthall	Wayne	Winston

- **ESF #6 Mass Care** – Disaster Food Stamp benefits will be available in the counties of Forrest, George, Greene, Perry and Stone from 09/20-24/05.

Cruise ship data: 340 displaced Americans on board.

American Red Cross (ARC) kitchens on the coast of MS remain closed. Shelters along the coast remain open and fully staffed. Two additional shelters were opened; one in Hattisburg and the other in Aberdeen. ARC ordered one truck of MREs for Tylertown, MS.

The Salvation Army (TSA) opened an additional 11 feeding sites and service centers which brings the total to 60 – 44 mobile canteens, 4 Service Centers and 12 combined fixed feeding sites and service centers.

- **ESF #7 Resources** – Service/Commodity Requests in Process: Two shower units and three laundry units. Sourcing/purchasing forklifts, tents, dental equipment, medical equip. and pharmaceuticals. Received proposal for LLC for base camps in D'Iberville and Pass Christian, MS. Acquired: 1000 Blankets, 500 portable latrines/privacy screens, 500 Cook-sets (these orders are for displaced residents in city of Kiln, Hancock County) and an additional 326 TT from local vendors. Processing ten Hand washing stations for DRCs.

- **ESF #8 Health and Medical** – Evaluation of Hurricane Rita shows minimal damage. All operation to go back into full force by Monday. MST-EAST fully operational

in Biloxi. DMORT Operations at Biloxi Regional. Cemetery Operations: Initial recovery yielded approximately 150 caskets with an additional unknown amount of more is anticipated from this site. Numerous additional cemeteries require assessment in addition to extensive debris fields.

- **ESF #9 Search & Rescue** – MDWFP officers (25 total) rescued people stranded by rising water in Hancock County as the storm surge from Hurricane Rita came in. USCG coordinated with D8 to locate available helos and developed contingency plan in case of Mississippi floods. Briefed FEMA and MEMA on availability of air assets and flood teams.

- **ESF #10 Hazardous Materials** – Notices have been issued on earthen dams and water wells as a notice advising the public to stay out of the water in Coastal Counties. USCG established a toll-free number at the Incident Command in Mobile for coordination of collection of hazardous waste that has been separated from debris during removal activities.

- **ESF #11 Food & Drinking Water** – USDA coordinated with ARC and TSA for each to receive ½ truckload of baby product presently located in West Virginia. Reimbursements to producers for poultry carcass disposal to date have been \$390,000.00. Non-poultry carcass disposal costs have been \$11,900.00.

- **ESF #12 Energy** – MS Power Company, the Electric Power Associations of MS, and Entergy, are not reporting outages from Hurricane Katrina. All power has been restored that can be restored. Any remaining outages can only be brought back online with other infrastructure development first. Continue to assess damage from Hurricane Rita.

- **ESF #13 Military** – MSNG and MSANG have **2,791** troops supporting hurricane relief efforts throughout the state. Out of state NG strength in MS is **896** for a total of **3,687** troops contributing to the support effort. Transition plan is in place in three coastal counties as out of state units continue their draw down. Military missions include security-law enforcement, debris clearance, medical evacuation, infrastructure, and firefighting. NG Military Police are conducting presence patrols and Joint Patrols in Gulfport, Long Beach and Pass Christian. They also provide the Quick Reaction Force for Biloxi, Ocean Springs and Gautier. NG Engineers are working with the Army Corps of Engineers on Hwy 90 and beach cleanup, assisting with school cleanup in coastal communities and State Park cleanup continues in Hancock County.

- **ESF #14 Public Information** – Instructed all field personnel to stand down due to Hurricane Rita. Operations limited and dependent on weather conditions. CR Teams visited 29 of the 82 shelters and disseminated disaster assistance information in 41 of the 47 counties designated for IA.

- **ESF #16 Law Enforcement** – (No Change)

- **ESF #17 Animals** – VMAT Operations continue at Forest County Multi-purpose Center and in Waveland.

### 3. Operations.

#### a. Significant Operational Events:

##### (1) Last 24 Hours:

(a). Water purification units which moved North to avoid Hurricane Rita, have resumed operations at the Biloxi medical center and Buccaneer State Park.

(b). Fourteen Disaster Relief Centers have resumed operations and have provided service to **2,000** today and a cumulative total of **47,153**.

##### (2) Next 24 Hours:

(a). Another Disaster Relief Center is expected to open in Beaumont, servicing Perry and Green Counties.

(b). Continue to manage established mission assignments.

##### (3) Next 48 Hours: Continue to manage established mission assignments.

**b. Troop list:** Two (2) Air Force PAI representatives in support of MA# 1604DR-MS-DOD-18.

#### c. FCO & SCO priorities (For next 24 hours)

- (1) Ensure the safety and security of all response personnel
- (2) Weather permitting, provide 200 additional travel trailer mobile homes to displaced responders and residents
- (3) Make operational NC-1 mobile hospital in Bay St. Louis and NV-1 Blue Med team in Gulfport**
- (4) Establish shelter communities, one in each of the three coastal counties
- (5) Ensure contractual daily surge of 500 travel trailers and mobile homes through mid-October**
- (6) Provide medical, mental health, veterinary, and mortuary support to local governments
- (7) Develop plan to provide assets supporting local emergency communications
- (8) Conduct PA kick-off meetings; obligate \$150 million in cumulative PA funding by 9/30/05
- (9) Conduct IA Preliminary Damage Assessments in Hinds and Humphreys Counties**
- (10) Establish spotters for debris removal operations and at staging areas and landfills

**(11) In-place USFS Incident Management Team to assess fire danger and response options for debris hazards**

(12) Conduct strategic planning of federal, state and external response and recovery resources.

**d. Major capability. N/A**

**e. Operational Staging Areas.** FEMA has established Operational Staging Areas (OSA) at Stennis NASA and Camp Shelby.

**f. Any Outstanding Operation Issues. None**

**4. Intelligence-Reconnaissance.**

a. State EMA continues to move supplies and services forward to outlying areas.

b. There are no current weather predictions that may affect disaster relief operations at this time.

**5. Logistics.**

a. Commodity Tracking: Commodity operations and staging moved to Camp Shelby due to preparations for Hurricane Rita. FEMA wishes to move future commodity operations and staging to Camp Shelby as well.

b. DOD controlled shelter status. None.

c. Number and Sites of MKT's. None.

d. Meals (by type) fed during operations. None by DOD.

**6. Communications Connectivity. No problem areas.**

**7. Personnel.**

a. Total personnel to include civilians deployed to site.

Command	Army	Air Force	Navy	DA Civilian	Total	Location
DCO/DCE	16			1	17	Jackson
EPLOs	2		1		3	Jackson
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>20</b>	

Officer	Warrant Officer	Enlisted	DA Civilian	Total
9	1	6	1	17

b. Any factors affecting readiness of forces and status. None.

c. Personnel assigned and strength changes in last 24 hours in the disaster area by component.

Officer	Warrant Officer	Enlisted	DA Civilian	Total
-3	0	0	0	-3

d. List of deployed units. None.

e. Any outstanding personnel issue. None

**8. Medical.**

a. Hospitalization in last 24 hours. None.

b. Evacuation in last 24 hours. None.

c. Outpatient Treatment in last 24 hours. None.

d. Significant activities in preventative medicine, mental health, veterinary services, dental services, medical logistics and medical command and control. None

**9. Budget.** No Issues.

**10. Legal.** No Issues.

**11. Significant Political – Military – Diplomatic Events.** NSTR

**12. Commander's Evaluation.** The state suffered 27 confirmed tornado touchdowns, with damage to at least 12 sites. Some significant, but all handled by state resources. Recovery operations returned to normal today. All DRCs were reopened. Shelter populations have returned to pre-Rita levels, near about 8,000 and are continuing to decrease. Travel trailer flow resumed, and over 1,800 are occupied to date. Flow of new trailers was increased to 500 per day to meet increasing burn rates.

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- **ESF#1 Transportation** – Continue bulk deliveries to five emergency vehicle fueling sites. Working on request to provide MedEvac helicopter for southern MS counties.

- **ESF#2 Communications** – Monitoring the reallocation of six SATCOM solutions as DRCs are established. The NPS has established wireless networking and internet connectivity to support multiple civil and military organizations and 1000+ Hurricane survivors. The NPS provided services are intended to assist Local, State and Federal officials with local communications until such time that similar commercial capabilities are restored. Issues with Sprint long distance service in Gulfport is being directed to Bell South. The voice and data communications available are provided by a Wireless (Wifi) mesh local area network at the following locations: Hancock Memorial Hospital, Air National Guard Mobile Hospital, Bay St. Louis Fire and Police Departments, Second Street Elementary School Shelter, Waveland Police Department, Waveland Point-of-Distribution, 223<sup>rd</sup> Engineering Battalion Detachment, Bay St. Louis, Waveland Wal-Mart Point-of-Distribution (wireless hotspot only).

**ESF #3 Public Works** – Commercial power availability notices were prepared and approved by FEMA. The notices provide information to facilities that now have FEMA generators on how to contact local electric company and arrange to have commercial power restored, and have generators disconnected and removed. Four generators located in low coastal areas may have been damaged by Hurricane Rita. Contractor will monitor the condition of generators as they perform fueling services and generator relocation.

DEBRIS: Expect to receive signed Task Orders from FEMA for debris removal from private property in Hancock County, City of Waveland, City of Bay St. Louis, City of Pascagoula, City of Petal, and George County. Task orders provide for structural demolition, removal and disposal of a full array of debris to include household appliances, leaning and hanging trees, etc. Received copy of U.S. EPA Debris Management Plan for MS. Met with ESF 13 Public Safety regarding security during the private property debris removal process. On scheduled to remove debris in all counties by 09/30/2005.

TEMPORARY ROOFING: Coordination with FEMA and MEMA on progress and updates on the mission continues on a daily basis. Expect production numbers to decline over the next few days due to the wind and rain brought in by Hurricane Rita.

TEMPORARY PUBLIC BUILDINGS (PA): School site assessments are complete for 47 Sites. MS Dept of Education prioritized 12 sites for placement of classrooms. Continued site assessments of temporary public building requests in Hancock and Harrison Counties. Staging Area site has received 36 classroom trailers; deliveries should remain continuous until all classrooms received.

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- **ESF #11 Food & Drinking Water** – Shipping arrangements will be finalized Monday morning, 9/26 regarding the truckload of baby formula to be distributed to The Salvation Army and the American Red Cross.



- **ESF #12 Energy** – Demobilized, no further outages will be reported.
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### Operations

- TF Harrington (Hancock, Harrison, Jackson Counties)
  - 435 soldiers supported cordon access control, presence patrols, and debris cleanup
  - NG supporting 2 mil PODs (Hancock, Harrison)
  - TF Security conducted 22 presence patrols, manned 6 TCPs
  - TF Nightfighter (420 pers) deploys to coast 27 Sep
- TF Davis (34 counties in central southern region)
  - 317 soldiers supported operations at 5 DRCs, 13 shelters, and 12 RCSC
  - Coordinating with county officials to determine future DRC locations and NG requirements
- TF Support
  - 295 soldiers supporting Magnolia AO
  - Distro water to 9 Hancock County sites
- TF Avn;
  - Aircraft total O/H - 22
  - TF Avn missions flown 2057, total hrs 1897.1

- **ESF #14 Public Information** – CR Teams visited seven of the 82 shelters and disseminated disaster assistance information in five of the 47 counties designated for Individual Assistance. CR has distributed 402,500 Tele-registration Flyers; 320,000 1-800 Business Cards; 350,000 Tri-folds (Disaster Assistance Made Easy); 35,800 Vietnamese Tri-folds; 22,500 Vietnamese Tele-registration Flyers; 10,000 Spanish Qualified Aliens flyers; 16,000 Spanish Tri-folds; 11,500 SBA Fact Sheet; 60,000 Mold and Mildew Flyers; and 10,000 Banking.

- **ESF #16 Law Enforcement** – (No Change)
- **ESF #17 Animals** – (No Change) VMAT Operations continue at Forest County Multi-purpose Center and in Waveland.

### **3. Operations.**

#### **a. Significant Operational Events:**

##### **(1) Last 24 Hours:**

(a). The DCE has reduced its manning to 8 personnel but continues to maintain the capability to complete all DCE operations

(b). Water purification units which moved North to avoid Hurricane Rita, have resumed operations at the Biloxi medical center and Buccaneer State Park. Two units at Waveland are no longer needed because city water has been restored and have been relocated to Buccaneer State Park to serve as back-up systems

(c). Fourteen Disaster Relief Centers have resumed operations and have provided service to **5,225** today and a cumulative total of **52,378**.

**(2) Next 24 Hours:** Continue to manage established mission assignments.

**(3) Next 48 Hours:** Continue to manage established mission assignments.

**b. Troop list:** Two (2) Air Force PAI representatives in support of MA# 1604DR-MS-DOD-18. An Action Request Form (ARF) has been submitted to extend their projected completion date to 31 OCT 05.

**c. FCO & SCO priorities (For next 24 hours)**

- (1) Ensure the safety and security of all response personnel
- (2) Weather permitting, provide **250** additional travel trailer mobile homes to displaced responders and residents
- (3) Establish shelter communities, one in each of the three coastal counties
- (4) Ensure contractual daily surge of 500 travel trailers and mobile homes through mid-October
- (5) Provide medical, mental health, veterinary, and mortuary support to local governments
- (6) Develop plan to provide assets supporting local emergency communications
- (7) Conduct PA kick-off meetings; obligate \$150 million in cumulative PA funding by 9/30/05
- (8) Conduct IA Preliminary Damage Assessments in Hinds and Humphreys Counties
- (9) In-place USFS Incident Management Team to assess fire danger and response options for debris hazards
- (10) Conduct strategic planning of federal, state and external response and recovery resources.

**d. Major capability. N/A**

**e. Operational Staging Areas.** FEMA has established Operational Staging Areas (OSA) at Stennis NASA and Camp Shelby.

**f. Any Outstanding Operation Issues. None**

**4. Intelligence-Reconnaissance.**

a. State EMA continues to move supplies and services forward to outlying areas.

b. There are no current weather predictions that may affect disaster relief operations at this time.

**5. Logistics.**

a. Commodity Tracking: Commodity operations and staging moved to Camp Shelby due to preparations for Hurricane Rita. FEMA wishes to move future commodity operations and staging to Camp Shelby as well.

b. DOD controlled shelter status. None.

c. Number and Sites of MKT's. None.

d. Meals (by type) fed during operations. None by DOD.

**6. Communications Connectivity.** No problem areas.

**7. Personnel.**

a. Total personnel to include civilians deployed to site.

Command	Army	Air Force	Navy	DA Civilian	Total	Location
DCO/DCE	4			1	5	Jackson
EPLOs	2		1		3	Jackson
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>8</b>	

Officer	Warrant Officer	Enlisted	DA Civilian	Total
3	0	1	1	5

b. Any factors affecting readiness of forces and status. None.

c. Personnel assigned and strength changes in last 24 hours in the disaster area by component.

Officer	Warrant Officer	Enlisted	DA Civilian	Total
-3	-1	-5	0	-12

d. List of deployed units. None.

e. Any outstanding personnel issue. None

**8. Medical.**

a. Hospitalization in last 24 hours. None.

b. Evacuation in last 24 hours. None.

c. Outpatient Treatment in last 24 hours. None.

d. Significant activities in preventative medicine, mental health, veterinary services, dental services, medical logistics and medical command and control. None

**9. Budget.** No Issues.

**10. Legal.** No Issues.

**11. Significant Political – Military – Diplomatic Events.** NSTR

**12. Commander's Evaluation.** The final tornado count was 151 confirmed touch downs. The only major concentrated area hit was Mississippi State University, and they suffered minor injuries and some structural damage. Recovery operations returned to normal levels in MS today. The DRCs exceeded the 50,000 customers served level.

Shelter occupation dropped down to 5,455 which is lower than pre-Rita levels. Best estimates are that about 60% of those in shelters are Mississippians and 40% are from out of state. Therefore, the number of residents with immediate housing needs drops to about 3,200. They will obviously serve anyone living in shelters from out of state that want to live in MS, but that number is traditionally very low. 2,200 families have moved into travel trailers, so temporary housing initiatives are working well. I've reduced the DCE to minimum levels and am working with the FCO on an exit strategy to put the DCO and the team on call at Ft Knox verses deployed in the JFO. He always has reach back.

**From:** LA DCO (CDR, 4<sup>th</sup> BDE 75<sup>th</sup> DIV (TS))

**To:** CDR, JTF-Katrina (CG, First U.S. Army)

**Classification:** UNCLASSIFIED

**Operation:** DCE Louisiana Hurricane Katrina Disaster Relief Support

**Period Covered:** 261900S SEP 05 – 271900S SEP 05 as of: 271900S SEP 05

**Area of Responsibility:** The State of Louisiana

**1. General Situation.** Recovery operations continue following the 240240SSEP05 landfall of Category Three Hurricane Rita in vicinity of Cameron Parish, Louisiana. Supporting units are conducting Search, Rescue, damage assessment operations, and infrastructure support operations. Priority of effort has been focused on evacuation of Louisiana residents and Rapid Needs Assessment of infrastructure and life support assets. Flooding has been reported in several southwestern parishes as a result of Hurricane Rita. The hardest hit Louisiana areas of Hurricane Rita's wrath appear to be Lake Charles, Cameron, and Vermillion Parish. The rains and tidal surges of Hurricane Rita caused the overtopping of weakened levees throughout Louisiana enabling local flooding. Initial Hurricane Rita damage reports included widespread power outage (539,647 customers in LA (32% of the state)), localized flooding, structural damages and road closures due to flooding and debris. Search, rescue and evacuation missions are on-going as necessary. All branches and ESFs are responding to the needs of LA in the wake of Rita's landfall. Approximately 400,000 residents of Louisiana have evacuated thus far. Rapid Needs Assessment Teams and FEMA Response Branch have focused Rita Recovery efforts on the four parishes most affected by the Rita's landfall (Cameron, Vermillion, Iberia, and Calcasieu). Staging of transportation and logistical assets for the recovery are ongoing.

Efforts to house victims of Hurricane Katrina into temporary housing are continuing. Some have been redirected to other shelters in response to Hurricane Rita. Katrina power restoration efforts continue to improve despite localized power outages due to Hurricane Rita.

**2. Overall Situation.** DCE LA, currently located in Baton Rouge, LA, supports federal response and recovery efforts with transition to humanitarian efforts in the aftermath of Hurricanes Katrina and Rita.

**a. Katrina and Rita Unified Priorities**

- Conduct Response operations throughout Louisiana in support of the State and people of Louisiana to respond to Hurricanes Katrina and Rita, including SAR, recovery of remains, public health, and emergency power.
- Deliver life sustaining commodities
- Conduct the FEMA Individual Assistance Program
- Move displaced individuals to housing (transitional or long term) as rapidly as possible; develop a long term housing strategy

- Provide temporary housing for essential service and government workers facilitating their return and the reconstitution of local government infrastructure
- Expediently conduct Preliminary Damage Assessments in the Parishes designated for 1607-DR-LA and additional affected parishes as requested by the State. Where possible use Rapid Needs Assessment and similar team reports to expedite PDA process
- Conduct the FEMA public assistance program / infrastructure
- Remove threat from oil and hazardous materials releases to the environment
- Support the State in reestablishing health services and critical utilities including, power, emergency and public communication, sewage, and water
- Support State and Parish planning for the repopulation of New Orleans including reentry plans, reconstitution of critical utilities and sewage, and contingency planning for follow-on storms.
- Transition from Response to Recovery for Hurricane Katrina with a target of 28 September. Develop plan that transitions from Response to Recovery for Hurricane Rita

**b. Transportation: NSTR**

**c. Ports.**

Louisiana Port Status: (MARITIME Administration (MARAD) SITREP 250514SEP05)

**Port of Orleans:** Partially open. (LA OEP SITREP252200SEP05)

**Lake Charles:** Closed

**Baton Rouge:** Closed

**Morgan City:** Closed

**Fourchon:** Closed

**Houma:** Closed

**Venice:** Closed

**Plaquemines:** Closed

**ST Bernard Parish:** Closed

**Grand Isle:** Closed

**New Orleans:** Closed

**e. Road Information.** (JFO LA Sitrep#32 26 SEP 05)

- Jefferson Parish is lifting its midnight curfew to allow residents attending LSU football game to return home. Residents must have a driver's license or a ticket stub
- Road Closures:
  - Jefferson Parish: Barriers are in place on US 61 at Orleans/Jefferson Parish line US 61 at LA3046
  - Orleans Parish: I- 10 at Metairie Rd/City Park Ave
  - Plaquemine Parish: Re-entry suspended except for emergency vehicles

- St Bernard Parish: LA 39 at Orleans Parish line. St Bernard residents must take I- 510 to LA 47
- St John the Baptist Parish: US 51 at Ruddock exit
- Assumption: LA 182
- Lafourche Parish: LA 24 & LA 1
- Terrebonne Parish: LA 56, 57, 58 & 665
- Allen Parish: LA 26 west of Oberlin & US 165 from Oakdale to I-10
- Calcasieu Parish: Holly Hill Road and subdivision, I- 10 at the Calcasieu River Bridge, I- 210 at Lake Street, I- 210 near Nelson Road, LA 14 east of LA 397, LA 27, LA 385, Lincoln Road in South Lake Charles, LA 27 from I 1 to LA 14

**f. Bridges/Tunnels**(*JFO LA SITREP# 32, 26 SEP 05*).

- The I-210 Bridge, in St Charles is open to traffic effective 26 SEP 05 per the Louisiana Highway Patrol
- The Grand Isle Bridge, in Jefferson Parish, has been repaired and is open.
- Lake Pontchartrain Causeway Bridge: Closed due to: superstructure damage, loss of spans on the turn-around, abutment scour, approach slab undermining and sign damage.
- Bayou Lafourche Bridge at Leeville has minor operational damage, minor structural damage and debris build-up.
- I-10 Twin Spans will be closed for an extended period of time.

**g. Airport Information.** (NORTHCOM evening update 25 SEP 05) (JFO LA SITREP#32- 26 SEP 05)

LA Airfield Status:

- Lake Charles Airport closed: Airport is set to reopen 28 SEP 05( JTF- Katrina Commanders Assessment 261800 SEP 05)
- Chennault International, significant damage to tower, hanger on runway; FEMA assessing suitability for relief efforts
- The New Orleans's Airport (MSY) is open and capable of full operations. In addition to Delta Airlines, Continental Airlines and Northwest Airlines have restarted flights. Baton Rouge Airport (BTR) is open and capable of full operations. In addition to American Eagle, Atlantic Southeast, and Continental, Northwest Airlines has re-started flights. ( JTF- Katrina Commanders Assessment 261800 SEP 05)
- Currently, Jennings Regional Airport in Jefferson Davis Parish, is being used as a forward operations center for flights to parishes located in southwestern Louisiana. ( JTF- Katrina Commanders Assessment 261800 SEP 05)
- All others fully operational.

**h. Rail.**

- Depending upon rail access via regular rail infrastructure, Amtrak's projected resumption of passenger service into New Orleans is 10/01/05. (JFO SITREP 26 SEP 05)
- All signals between Somerville, TX to New Orleans, LA were taken off line and all crossing gate arms and any other structures that could easily be damaged were removed. It will take about 48 hrs to restore these devices. (ESF Report 250230SSEP05)

**i. Military.** JTF-K reports 11,586 Title 10 active duty (8,091 in LA) and 31,862 National Guardsmen (23,082 IN LA) supporting relief operations in the Katrina Joint Operations Area. (PERSTAT 271900SEP05). Missions include rapid needs assessment, security-law enforcement, debris clearance, water/ice/food distribution, medical evacuation, search and rescue, infrastructure, and firefighting. All Air and Army Guardsmen are currently serving in a state active duty status. National Guard deployments in support of Hurricane Rita are in progress.

- TF AA relieved of Cattle Carcass mission RIP with USDA (JTF-K CDR'S Assessment 270700SSEP05)
- TF AA complete all primary searches throughout the AO (TF All American Sitrep) SITREP 260900SSEP05).
- LA DCE SIGACTS last 24 hours:
  - AIR Missions executed 2x UH1 from Baton Rouge to NOLA (R&S)(271130SEP05), 2x CH53 from Chenault Airfield ISO USR (MC)
  - AIR Missions for Tomorrow: 1x UH60 from Baton Rouge to NOLA, Keyser AFB, Jackson, MS and return (VIP Flight)
  - Developing sample DEMOB plan in conjunction with DOD theatre DEMOB plan
  - Continued to track 5K fuelers and participated in JFC Fuel Teleconference
  - Facilitated and coordinated mortuary affairs mission assessment for human remains re-internment operations.

**3. Operations.**

**a. Significant Operational Events:**

Current number of Katrina ARFs to date:

- a. 82- Total Received**
- b. 30- Redirected/Cancelled**
- c. 6 - Working**
- d. 46 – Turned into MA**

**New Action Request Forms (ARF) received in the last 24 hours:**

<b>ARF:</b>	<b>Description:</b>
NA	NA

- Current number of Mission Assignments (MA):
  - a. 45- Total Received**
  - b. 13- Active working**



c. 32- Complete or inactive

**New Mission Assignment (MA) received in the last 24 hours: 1**

Mission Assignment	Description:
1603 DRLA-DOD-43	DOD for trailer storage

- Current number of Mission Taskers:
  - a. 26- Total Received
  - b. 11- Active working
  - c. 15- Complete or inactive

**New Taskers received in the last 24 hours: 2**

Taskers:	Description:
DOD-02 Task #002	Canceled

**Assignments closed or completed in the last 24 hours: 0**

Mission Assignment or Mission Tasker #	Description
DOD-02 Task #003	Canceled

- Parish Information: (*Louisiana Office of Emergency Preparedness SITREP 270600SSEP05*)
  - Acadia: A few roads closed by fallen trees. Rayne and Crowley suffered minor damage. Power outage. Sewage and water line down. Need ice and water for the parish.
  - Allen: Power outage
  - Ascension: Parish road closed due to fallen trees.
  - Assumption: Power outages, tree down.
  - Calcasieu: Major damage, limited movement. 2 barges broke loose impacted I-210 bridge. 18 Wheeler overturned at mile marker 29 (east bound). Overpass collapsed at mile marker 43 (unconfirmed), flooding in west Lake Charles.
  - Cameron: One of the Riverboat has been broken loose; don't know the whereabouts of this boat. Barges have broken loose from mooring and are headed towards the I-10 Bridge
  - Iberia: Power line and trees are blocking the roads. People are stranded on rooftops in Delcambre area. Curfew in place for the city of New Iberia (dusk to dawn). Water may be rising in the Delcambre area.
  - Jefferson: Harvey canal at its peak on flooding.
  - Lafayette: Debris and trees down.
  - Lafourche: Power outages, flooding on La 1 south
  - LaSalle: A few homes damaged, power outage. 6 cars with trees on them.
  - Orleans: Levee break in 9th Ward, levees seeping
  - Plaquemine: Flooding in the south
  - St. Bernard: 4 foot of water, rising tide from Lake Pontchartrain.
  - St. Charles: OK
  - St. Landry: Power outage and water systems are out.
  - St. Tammany: Power outage
  - St. John: Power outage/road closed due to fallen trees

Tangipahoa: Power Outage

Terrebonne: 8-10 feet of water in the southern part of parish. Scattered debris thru out the parish. Water damage all over the parish. Road closures: HWY 655, HWY 56 closed below HWY 58, HWY 315 past Dr. Beatrice Road is closed.

Vermillion: Flooding south on La-14

Washington: Power Outage/fallen trees

Union: A curfew will be in effect for the entire parish. Emergency vehicles only will be allowed on the streets after 2100 hrs

- The Coast Guard opened the Inner Harbor Navigation canal with vessels restricted to 110ft wide by 18ft draft; conducted centerline surveys of Baptiste Collette, Calcasieu River bar channel, and SW Pass, Mississippi River; and initiated dredging in the vicinity of Mile 19.5 Below Head of Passes with the Dredge STUYVESANT. (*USACE SITREP 17 27SEP05*)
- The Mayor of New Orleans vowed to allow residents of higher grounds return Monday and Tuesday. (*JTF- Katrina Commanders Assessment 261800 SEP 05*)
- Cellular service outages are still occurring in the southwestern region of Louisiana. The private companies are in the process of restoring the affected areas. (*JFO LA SITREP#32- 26 SEP 05*)
- Logistics will be setting up a Base Camp as a location to be determined in the Lake Charles area. (*JFO LA SITREP 26 SEP 05*)
- Levee Status: Levee Overtopping and Flooding-TFU has stopped the flow of water at the overtopping sites on the east and west sides of the IHNC. Successful temporary repairs to the back levee before the storm were the key to protecting the basin from a second total disaster. (*JTF Katrina Commanders Assessment 261800 SEP 05*)
- Initial Over flight of Port Arthur and Lake Charles waterways (Sabine/Neches Rivers, Calcasieu River and ICW) completed. No major pollution sighted; All refinery tank farms appear to be intact. Number of grounded barges identified, but most are not significantly distressed. Army Corps of Engineers (ACE) will work with National Oceanic Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to begin surveying channel tomorrow (26 SEP 05). Survey of Sabine/Neches rivers to take approximately 3 days.
- EPA has collected over 37,550 household hazardous waste orphan containers throughout the affected region. (*EPA EOC SITREP27SEP05*)
- Louisiana State Police announced 26 SEP 05 that the roads through New Orleans are open for St Bernard residents. St Bernard residents will not be able to get off in New Orleans. (*JFO LA SITREP#32- 26 SEP 05*)
- Two Rapid Needs Assessment (RNA) teams reported that the majority of hospitals in Region 4 (Vermillion, Iberia, Lafayette, Acadia, Evangeline and Landry Parish) and Region 5 (Cameron, Calcasieu, Beauregard, Allen and Jefferson Parish) sustained little structural damage and have for the most part remained open. (*JFO LA SITREP#32- 26 SEP 05*)
- Hospitals affected by Hurricane Rita: (IWO JIMA assessment on the ground)
  - Lake Charles, LA:

- Christus St Patrick hospital is running on one generator. This hospital is not available for emergencies requiring a triage facility at this time. The helicopter pad has no power. They currently have eight patients
- Lake Charles Memorial hospital is closed. They are transferring their patients out of the hospital.
- Women and Children's hospital is running on one generator and awaiting another one. The hospital has low water pressure. ER is open for minor emergencies.
- W.O. Moss Regional Medical Center is closed.
- Cameron, LA: Southern Cameron Memorial Hospital is closed.
- Sulphur, LA: West Calcasieu-Cameron Hospital is on emergency power. They have three inpatients and are arranging transportation to move their patients
- Mosquito abatement: (DHS Katrina SITREP 27 SEP 05) Mission flown for 27 SEP 05 include one aircraft to spray Bug 1 & 2
- More than 991,000 cubic yards of debris have been removed of 48 million cubic yards in the state of LA. (USACE Daily Assessment 27SEP 05)

**4. Weather -Intelligence-Reconnaissance.**

Weather: Today: Mainly clear. Low near 70F. Winds light and variable Tomorrow: Sunny skies. Hot. High 93F. Winds light and variable. Tomorrow night: Mainly clear skies. Low 71F. Winds light and variable. (Weather.com 27SEP05)

**5. Logistics.**

- Commodity Tracking from Camp Beauregard, LA: (FEMA Logistics, 271200S SEP05)

COMMODITIES **	Received	Shipped	Avail to Issue	Inbound	UNIT OF ISSUE
Water		25	127		Truckloads
Ice		22	42		Truckloads
MRE's		13	23		Truckloads

WATER = 18,000 liters or 4.750 gal per truckload; serves about 5,000 people

ICE = 40,000 per truckload; serves 5,000 people

MRE's = 21,744 per truckload; serves about 10,000 people

**6. Personnel.**

- Total personnel to include civilians deployed to DCE site:

COMMAND	ARMY	AIR FORCE	NAVY	MARINES	CIVILIANS	TOTAL	LOCATION
DCO/DCE	26				2	28	Baton Rouge
EPLOs	4	3	3	2		12	Baton Rouge
LA ARNG LNO	1					1	Baton Rouge
JRMPO LNO			2			2	Baton Rouge
<b>GRAND TOTAL</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>43</b>	

b. Any factors affecting readiness of forces and status. None.

**7. Significant Political – Military – Diplomatic Events.**

8. Points of Contact: Telephone Number: **(B6)**