

# Enabling Strategic and Operational Planning Through Explosives Safety Consequence and Risk Identification Assessments

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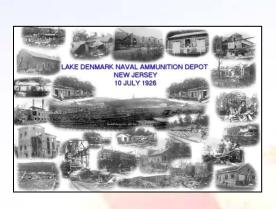
#### **History and Background**

- Congressionally mandated in 1928
- Based on 1926 Lake Denmark incident
- Joint Board of Officers appointed
  - ❖ Implement recommendations of House Report (No. 199) to Congress
  - ❖ Prevent endangerment to life/property
  - ❖ Ammunition storage focused



- Develop DoD ESM strategic plan
- Establish & oversee comprehensive DoD ESM
- Restructure DDESB to independent, objective full time body
- Update directive (DoDD 6055.9)







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  - 3. <u>Enables</u> the joint-warfighting mission by integrating explosives safety into planning and operations.





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Two Challenges: integrating ES tenets and requirements into:

- 1. DoD policy, doctrine and requirements
- 2. Existing plans (war, contingency, operational)





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- 1. Identify relevant DoD policy, doctrine and requirements where ES tenets and requirements should be addressed.
  - On-going gap analysis scheduled for completion FY10
  - End Result GOAL
    - Identify existing gaps
    - Recommend verbiage to fill the gaps...
    - Develop a Joint Publication in the 4 series that captures ES requirements in the planning process





- 2. Develop process and partnerships to perform and optimize ES consequence and risk identification assessments
  - ➤ Issue. Although a variety of assessments exist to gather information in support of the warfighting mission, no organization <u>or</u> process identifies munitions-related risks or risk-mitigating solutions to the Warfighter <u>and</u> ensures that information is in a leverageable format.





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- Partner with agencies to provide a robust and as holistic an assessment capability as possible

# Frocess Process

Technical Paper 28 Draft - 7 May 2010

Explosives Safety Consequence & Risk Identification (C & RI) Assessment in Support of Strategic Planning



Approved for public release;

Department of Defense Explosives Safety Board Alexandria, Virginia  DDESB developed Technical Paper 28 "Explosives Safety Consequence and Risk Identification Assessments"

- TP 28 consists of a 9 step process that addresses everything from preplanning to report release and data management
- DDESB currently addressing Services' comments.
- Anticipate final release August 2010 sa



- ➤ <u>DDESB Organic Capability</u>
  - Mostly military lead with support from DDESB Staff (matrix support concept)
  - Added two new positions to perform and support new function

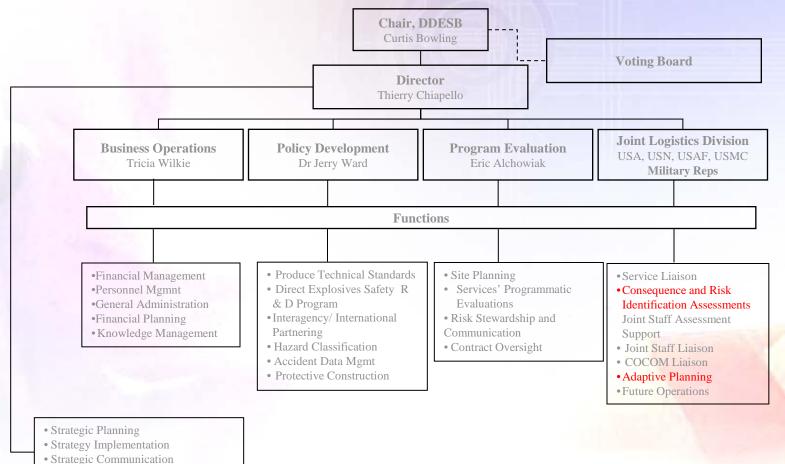




Transformation

#### **DDESB Organization**





- ➤ Develop partnerships with agencies to provide a robust and as holistic an assessment capability as possible. Partners include:
  - Naval Facilities Engineering Command (NAVFAC)
  - Corps of Engineers (COE)
  - Surface Deployment and Distribution Center (SDDC)
  - Defense Threat Reduction Agency (DTRA)
  - U.S. Army Technical Center for Explosives Safety (USTCES)
- Exploring opportunities to partner with other agencies depending on the assessment location



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- To date, DDESB has assessed locations in:
  - Guam
  - Italy
  - Latvia
  - Korea
  - Lithuania
  - Alaska (Anchorage and Valdez)



#### Conclusion

Integrating ES tenets and requirements into doctrine, policy, and planning processes is vital to ensuring that leaders and planners understand unique challenges and implications associated with military munitions and make risk decisions based on sound guidance, accurate, and timely information.

This dynamic approach will continue to mature and evolve over time.

