

CHAPTER 2

RESPONSIBILITIES

2-1. General.

As indicated in ch. 1-3.a., all authority under the Strategic and Critical Materials Stockpiling Act is vested in the President. These authorities are delegated primarily to the Department of Defense to perform the planning functions and to the Defense Logistics Agency for the execution of the plan.

2-2. Office of the Assistant Secretary of Defense - Production and Logistics

- a. Formulates policies for determining the level of Stockpile goals for strategic and critical materials.
- b. Implements wartime scenario guidance received from the National Security Council and recommends specific materials to be designated as strategic and critical.
- c. Develops policy guidance and programs for the management of the Stockpile, including procurement, upgrading, rotation, storage, security, maintenance, and disposal of strategic and critical materials.
- d. Determines which Stockpile commodities are excess to national security requirements and provides guidance for the disposal of these excesses.

2-3. Defense Logistics Agency

- a. **General.** The President has delegated responsibility to the Secretary of Defense, for performance of the functions indicated in ch. 1-3.a.(2) and (5). These are delegated to the Defense National Stockpile Center (DNSC).
- b. Prepares the Annual Material Plan indicated in par. 1-2.c. and coordinates it with the President and the Congress.
- c. The DNSC plans, directs, and coordinates, on a nationwide basis, programs and activities, including the development and administration of policies, methods, and procedures relating to occupational health and safety, environmental impact, procurement, quality assurance and surveillance, inspection, beneficiation, upgrading, processing, refining, rotation, storage, handling, security, maintenance, protection, and distribution of strategic and critical materials for the Defense National Stockpile; and serves as a liaison with the Department of Agriculture (USDA) in connection with the exchange of Commodity Credit Corporation owned agricultural commodities for strategic and critical materials, and with the other Government agencies in connection with special purchase assignments.

(1) Develops both short and long range acquisition and disposal plans for strategic and critical materials.

(2) Analyzes economic and marketing considerations, mobilization plans and technical aspects of the Stockpile program. Advises and assists the Defense National Stockpile Center and other departments and agencies.

(3) Acquires needed materials and disposes of excess materials through various contract processes including barter transactions. Administers contracts to ensure performance.

(4) Prepares internal and external reports, including the semiannual report to the Congress, concerning acquisition and disposal.

(5) Maintains the Stockpile Master Inventory File and other operating program records, including the Defense National Stockpile Transaction Fund.

(6) Maintains the National Stockpile material inventory and facilities in a high state of readiness for appropriate response to the needs of a national emergency.

(7) Operates DNSC Depots and Stockpile sites dispersed throughout the United States.

(8) Provides management assistance, inspection and surveillance of both materials stored at, and facilities operated by, the Department of Defense (DoD), other Government agencies, and non-government owned sites.

(9) Selects sites for the storage of new material to be acquired under established site selection criteria. Also selects materials and locations in priority sequences from which sales, rotation or upgrading action should be accomplished.

(10) Contracts or arranges for contracting by advertising or negotiating for the procurement of services and supplies required in the Stockpile operation. The contracting includes storage, site preparation at all storage locations except DoD, handling services, sampling and analysis, research, repackaging and interagency agreements. All of these contracts fit the special and particular needs of the DNSC for the proper receipt and/or removal, storage, maintenance, protection, security, and quality assurance of the raw materials in the Stockpile.

(11) Negotiates leases or permits for sites under the Stockpiling Act.

(12) Develops, establishes, and administers a comprehensive occupational health program to provide safe and healthful places and conditions of employment consistent with established federal, state and local standards for the handling of hazardous materials in the Stockpile.

(13) Maintains liaison with other Government agencies regarding commodity exchanges, procurement specifications, and the development of a broadened industrial base for needed and/or scarce domestic supplies of strategic and critical materials.

(14) Makes necessary arrangements for transportation of materials in and out of approved storage locations and payment of costs when conditions of purchase or sale make this a Government responsibility.

(15) Performs initial purchase (inbound) and sales (outshipment) inspections of materials to ensure proper quantity, quality, packaging, where applicable, and the observance of public safety. Also performs sampling for mineral, agricultural, or moisture content as a condition of purchase, sale, or maintenance. Makes periodic inspections at all locations for inventory verification, condition of material and storage facilities, security and environmental effects.

(16) Furnishes annual estimates to DoD components and DNSC storage managers of Stockpile tonnages to be handled and space required for the storage of the Stockpile. When there is substantial inbound or outbound activity, updates and disseminates forecasts quarterly.

(17) Executes and administers interagency agreements and service contracts.

ATTACHMENT 1

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