

DDOO Relinquishment of Command

Col George Raney, USAF, relinquished command of Defense Distribution Depot Oklahoma City, Oklahoma (DDOO), to Mr. Bill Watkins, DDOO Deputy Commander, June 21, 2002. BG James H. Pillsbury, USA, Commander, Defense Distribution Center (DDC), officiated.

Under Col Raney's leadership, DDOO received, stored, issued, and shipped material in support of its on-base and worldwide customers. The customer support also includes related functions, such as, preservation and packaging and on-base pickup and delivery services.

DDOO provides 24-hour distribution support to the Oklahoma City Air Logistics Center (OC-ALC), other Tinker-based organizations and DoD and FMS customers worldwide. Support to the ALC is primarily for programmed depot maintenance for numerous aircraft and engines. On-base customers, with operational and alert commitments include the 552nd Air Control Wing, the U. S. Navy Strategic Communications Wing One, the 507th Air Refueling Wing and the 3rd Combat Communications Group. The majority of DDOO's

issues/shipments are in support of Tinker on-base customers.

Off-base shipments support Air Force bases worldwide with the various systems/commodities that have been repaired at Tinker.



Col George Raney, USAF

Col Raney was awarded the Defense Superior Service Medal for superior service as DDOO Commander from October 2000 to June 2002. During this period, Col Raney's outstanding leadership and ceaseless efforts resulted in major contributions to DDOO's efficiency. His "can do" philosophy fostered an environment of learning and accomplishing. The programs Col Raney implemented helped DDOO reach important goals that had previously been unattainable. His many ideas and programs ensured DDOO would be ready for the competitive climate of the future.

Col Raney was also retired from the U.S. Air Force and is pursuing a civilian career.

DDAG Relinquishment of Command

Col. (Sel) Charles Thompson, USMC, relinquished command of Defense Distribution Depot Albany, Georgia (DDAG), to Mr. Ed Slover, DDAG Deputy Commander, July 3, 2002. BG James H. Pillsbury, USA, Commander, Defense Distribution Center (DDC), officiated.

Under Col (Sel) Thompson's leadership, DDAG maintained the Army Prepositioning Afloat Program, the Force Provider Program and other logistical operations to support the warfighter.

"I appreciate all the support the Marines and the senior leadership have given to myself and DDAG, especially during this period of change," said Col (Sel) Thompson. DDAG is preparing to operate as a Most Efficient Organization after winning an A-76 public/private competition for DLA.

"Mr. Slover is a professional and most capable. I consider him the right man for the job," said Col (Sel) Thompson. "He has been my right hand during my tour here. It has definitely been a team effort."

Col (Sel) Thompson was awarded the Defense Meritorious Service Medal for his service at DDAG from June 2000 to July 2002. Col (Sel) Thompson's exceptional leadership, dedication to duty and logistics management skills resulted in a streamlined and improved DDAG. His dedication led to DLA process improvement efforts to reduce costs and increase efficiencies. His leadership skill and technical expertise enabled the DDAG to consistently exceed DLA performance goals.

Tangible results included successful completion of rotations of containerized operations for Army Prepositioning Afloat Ships; the growth of the Army Force Provider effort; and successful management of an estimated \$1 billion in assets. Col (Sel) Thompson also established a tiger team to complete a wall-to-wall inventory. This reduced denials and improved inventory accuracy. The team also re-warehoused stock to ensure space was used to the best advantage of the depot. During his tenure, he led and worked with DDAG's A-76 team through exhaustive research forming the best Performance Work Statement possible resulting in DDAG employees winning the bid.

Col (Sel) Thompson is slated to go to the Industrial College of the Armed Forces at Ft McNair in Washington, a senior level school for logistics officers.



Col (Sel) Charles Thompson, USMC