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DDJC to host ceremony in honor of the employees for their performance recognition from California Council for Excellence

STOCKTON, CALIF. – The Defense Distribution Depot San Joaquin, Calif., will be hosting an award ceremony in honor of receiving the California Awards for Performance Excellence, or CAPE, 2006 Gold Level “Eureka” Award. The ceremony will be held Friday at 1:30 p.m. in Building 56 at the Tracy depot.

The guest speaker for the ceremony is Twila Gonzales, Senior Executive Service, deputy commander of the Defense Distribution Center in New Cumberland, Pa. Joining Gonzales is Amy Kosifas, Vice Chairman of the CAPE Council who will be presenting the award on behalf of the California Council for Excellence.

The award program is California’s emulation of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award, our nation’s highest presidential honor for business excellence. The recognition is based on an examination of a 50-page application and an on-site visit by a team of independent examiners who use the Baldrige Program’s “Criteria for Performance Excellence” to systematically examine and evaluate applicants in seven categories: leadership; strategic planning; customer and market focus; measurement, analysis, and knowledge management; workforce focus; process management; and business results. Five CAPE examiners visited DDJC in November to validate its processes and results as described in DDJC’s application.

Although numerous government organizations have competed over the 13-year history of the CAPE program, DDJC is the first government and military applicant to earn CAPE’s Gold level award.

DDJC is the Department of Defense’s West Coast Strategic Distribution Platform providing military services with clothing, food, medical items, electrical and electronic products, construction supplies and repair parts. DDJC is one of 26 distribution centers belonging to the Defense Distribution Center located in New Cumberland, Pa.

Defense Distribution Center, New Cumberland, Pa., is the Defense Logistics Agency’s Lead Center for Distribution. DLA provides supply support and technical and logistics services to the military services and to

several civilian agencies. Headquartered at Fort Belvoir, Va., DLA is the one source for nearly every consumable item, whether for combat readiness, emergency preparedness or day-to-day operations.