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Defense Distribution Depot San Joaquin Change of Command, Retirement Ceremony

STOCKTON, CALIF. – The Defense Distribution Depot - San Joaquin, or DDJC, will hold a Change of Command and Retirement Ceremony on Tuesday, June 26, in Tracy. Army Col. J. Douglas Serrano will relinquish command to Army Col. David Rodriguez. The Change of Command will be followed by a retirement ceremony in honor of Col. Serrano's 27 years of faithful service to his country. Army Brig. Gen. Lynn A. Collyar, Commander of the Defense Distribution Center, will officiate the Change of Command Ceremony and Army (Ret.) Maj. Gen. Daniel G. Mongeon, president of Agility's Defense & Government Services, will be the guest speaker for Col. Serrano's retirement.

Since becoming the commander of DDJC in June 2004, Col. Serrano was responsible for instilling a culture of continuous performance improvement at DDJC. The distribution center has enjoyed numerous accolades. Under his leadership, DDJC was awarded the Commander-In-Chief's Installation Excellence Award. This award recognized DDJC workforce improvements, environmental compliance and support services. Additionally, DDJC received the California Award for Performance Excellence's Gold and Silver "Eureka Level" awards. DDJC was the only organization to receive the Silver in the military category and was the first to advance from Silver to Gold in a one year time frame. Recently, DDJC was selected as one of four representatives on behalf of the Department of Defense to compete for the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award.

Col. Rodriguez has served as Chief, Disposition Management and Regulated Programs Division at the Defense Logistics Agency, Fort Belvoir, Va. as well as the interim commander, Defense Reutilization and Marketing Service, Battle Creek, Mich.

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 managed by 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.

