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Secretary of the Navy Selects Kansas Native to Rank of Captain

New Cumberland, Pa. – (August 6, 2009) – The Secretary of the Navy has selected United States Navy Supply Corps Cmdr. Michael S. Hansen to rank of captain.

Hansen, a native of Salina, Kan., is currently serving at the Defense Distribution Center, New Cumberland, Pa., in the Office of Planning and Supply Chain Integration. His duties include adaptation of the Defense Logistics Agency, or DLA, integrated distribution strategy throughout twenty-five distribution centers worldwide, and development of logistics support plans in support of Geographical Combatant Commander operation plans.

Hansen enlisted in the Navy in April of 1984, serving onboard USS RICHARD L. PAGE (FFG-5), USS NEWPORT (LST-1179), and USS BAINBRIDGE (CGN-25) before earning a commission through Officer Candidate School, Newport R.I. in 1988. He has a Bachelor of Business Administration in accounting from Washburn University, and a Master of Arts in national defense and strategic studies from the College of Naval Command and Staff, Naval War College, Newport, R.I.

Hansen served in a variety of key leadership positions afloat and ashore. At sea, he served as assistant supply officer, USS RATHBURNE (FF 1057), and supply officer, USS UNDERWOOD (FFG-36).

Ashore, Hansen's assignments include integrated logistics systems intern at the Naval Supply Systems Command; officer-in-charge, Submarine Logistics Support Center Detachment Pearl Harbor; executive assistant to the commander and aviation readiness officer, Defense Supply Center Columbus; director of navy food service programs, Navy Family Support (SUP 05); and requirements officer, Commander Logistics Forces, United States Naval Forces Central Command.

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His personal awards include the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, two Meritorious Service Medals, three Navy Commendation Medals, three Navy Achievement Medals, and a number of unit and campaign awards. He is a qualified Surface Warfare Supply Officer and Joint Qualified Officer.

For more than a decade, the Defense Distribution Center, or DDC, has been offering best value supply chain solutions through a broad range of services including storage, distribution, customized kits and specialized packaging as well as transportation support and technology development. Customers include the U.S. Army, Marine Corps, Navy, Air Force and other agencies. Headquartered in New Cumberland, Pa., DDC operates a global network of 25 distribution centers that employ nearly 8,000 people worldwide. DDC is a field activity of the Defense Logistics Agency.