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MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Celebrate the AbilityOne Program during National Disability Employment Awareness Month

October is National Disability Employment Awareness Month and the perfect time to celebrate the AbilityOne Program, formally Javits-Wagner-O'Day (JWOD). Under the AbilityOne Program, Government Purchase Card users and acquisition personnel buy supplies and services furnished by nonprofit agencies employing people who are blind or who have other severe disabilities.

We can be proud of DLA's efforts to provide employment and training opportunities for people who are blind or have other severe disabilities through our support of the AbilityOne Program. Under AbilityOne, supplies and services to include uniforms, insignia, lighting supplies, warehousing and distribution services are purchased by DLA, and help to generate jobs for nearly 48,000 people who are blind or have other severe disabilities.

DLA is the AbilityOne Program's largest contracting agency for the 7th year in a row. In Fiscal Year 2006, DLA's AbilityOne purchases amounted to \$673.3 million or 30 percent of the total AbilityOne business. Mr. Anthony (Tony) Poleo, DLA Comptroller, is the presidentially appointed representative for the Department of Defense to the Committee for Purchase From People Who Are Blind or Severely Disabled, the Federal Agency that administers the AbilityOne Program.

All DLA personnel are encouraged to learn more about the important role you can play in the AbilityOne Program at www.abilityone.gov and make a special effort to show your support as the AbilityOne Program celebrates National Disability Employment Awareness Month throughout the month of October 2007.

ROBERT T. DAIL
Lieutenant General, USA
Director



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