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Kimberly Kesler, a member of the Senior Executive Service since 2006, serves as the Director, Corporate Operations/Command Information Officer (CIO) for the Space and Naval Warfare Systems Command for the Department of the Navy. As CIO, Ms. Kesler is responsible for developing and implementing a corporate information technology strategy to provide end-to-end operational capability for more than 12,000 employees worldwide. Her CIO responsibilities include network management, information assurance, application management, data and knowledge management, and information technology policy. Ms. Kesler's responsibilities as Director, Corporate Operations include Total Workforce Management, facilities management, security, corporate strategy, strategic planning, and communications.

Ms. Kesler formerly served as the Director, Base Realignment and Closure Program Management Office (BRAC PMO) reporting to the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (Energy, Installations and Environment) within the Department of the Navy. Headquartered in San Diego, CA, Ms. Kesler stood up the BRAC PMO in October 2004 which spanned eight Regional and Caretaker Offices across the country, including Puerto Rico.

She was instrumental in steering Navy and Marine Corps efforts to plan, budget, and implement the Commission's recommendations for BRAC 2005 \$4 Billion program across the Future Years Defense Program. Under her leadership, the BRAC PMO also managed the disposal of installations closed under prior BRAC rounds, including the management and direction of over \$1.6 Billion in environmental cleanup and the disposition of thousands of acres of land and numerous facilities remaining on those installations.

Ms. Kesler joined the Department of the Navy in 1990 after several years of working in the private sector for the IBM Corporation. Her first assignment was with the Naval Facilities Engineering Command Southwest Division in San Diego holding the position of Real Estate Operations Manager. In 1993, Ms. Kesler moved to the Base Realignment and Closure Office as a Base Closure Manager and in 1999 became the BRAC Operations Officer for the Southwest Region. She then served as the Department Head for BRAC from 2001 to 2004. Upon her promotion, Ms. Kesler was tasked to consolidate the Nation's two largest BRAC operations into one. She successfully downsized the BRAC organization by over 50% and established a new

headquarters in San Diego, CA. Ms. Kesler's progressive and far reaching reforms were first introduced into the California operations and later adopted across the Department of the Navy with the establishment of the BRAC PMO. Ms. Kesler was also directly responsible for over \$1.1 Billion in California land sales revenue at Tustin, El Toro, Oak Knoll, and San Pedro culminating in the development of the Department of the Navy's exclusive land sales website. Ms. Kesler's leadership paved the way in new and innovative methods for BRAC cleanup and disposal reforms which still serve as guides for the Department of Defense today.

Ms. Kesler is a graduate of the University of Connecticut with a bachelor's of science in finance and achieved a master's of business administration from the University of San Diego. Ms. Kesler is also a graduate of the Navy's Leadership Development Program and the Women's Executive Leadership Program. She is the recipient of multiple Civilian Meritorious and Superior Service awards for her achievements.