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MEMORANDUM FOR DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Masters of Cost Estimating and Analysis (MCEA) Program Fulfillment for Business Cost Estimating (BUS-CE) Courses

Reference: (a) Department of Navy (DON) Defense Acquisition Workforce Improvement Act (DAWIA) Operating Guide

Per reference (a), this memorandum provides guidance regarding fulfillment of several of the Defense Acquisition University (DAU) courses required for certification in Business Cost Estimating (BUS-CE), through completion of the Joint Naval Postgraduate School (NPS)/Air Force Institute of Technology (AFIT) Master of Cost Estimating and Analysis (MCEA) program. This memorandum is effective only for Cohorts 1 (graduating April 2013) and 2 (graduating April 2014), as NPS, AFIT, and DAU collectively pursue equivalency.

The Naval Center for Cost Analysis (NCCA), and Naval Sea Systems Command (NAVSEA) conducted an extensive review of the MCEA curricula and concluded that this program adequately covers more than 70% of the learning objectives of the functional training targeted in the following DAU BUS-CE courses.

BCF Courses:

a. BCF 102 - Fundamentals of Earned Value Management
b. BCF 103 - Fundamentals of Business Financial Management
c. BCF 106 - Fundamentals of Cost Analysis
d. BCF 107 - Applied Cost Analysis
e. BCF 204 - Intermediate Cost Analysis
f. BCF 206 - Cost Risk Analysis
g. BCF 211 - Acquisition Business Management
h. BCF 215 - Operating and Support Cost Analysis
i. BCF 302 - Advanced Concepts in Cost Analysis

Individuals who present evidence of successful completion of the MCEA program will receive fulfillment credit for these courses. Please note that acquisition training and continuous learning certification requirements are not covered by this guidance.

Eligible MCEA graduates may apply for fulfillment by submitting the following package to the DACM office at DACM.Desk.fct@navy.mil:

a. DD Form 2518 – Fulfillment of DOD Mandatory Training Requirement (Attachment 1)

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- Block 2 – Include "BCFxxx" for Course Number
- Block 3 – Include "all Functional Training for BUS-CE" for Course Title
- Block 4 – Include "1-3" for Course Level

b. Justification for DD Form 2518 (Attachment 2)

c. Academic transcripts

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