Subject: Architect-Engineer (A-E) Contract Management

Purpose: To ensure that A-E contract management is performed by registered professional engineers from within the engineering organization

Applicability: Directive

1. References:
   (a) EP 715-1-7 Architect-Engineer (A-E) Contracting
   (b) Engineer and Construction Bulletin 2006-12, A-E Contracting

2. This ECB clarifies and refines the requirements of references 1(a.) and 1(b.)

3. Technical management of architect – engineer (A-E) contracts is an engineering function that shall be managed by registered professional engineers / architects from within the engineering element. The District / Center Chief of Engineering shall nominate registered professional engineer/architect, trained in acquisition, as a Contracting Officer Representative (COR) for A-E contract or task order.

4. In special cases, where the District / Center Chief of Engineering determines that the services being provided by the A-E Contractor are not engineering in nature or require the production or oversight by a professional engineer, the Chief of Engineering may recommend and nominate for appointment non-registered professional as a COR.

5. This policy is effective immediately for all new A-E contracts and A-E task orders. The Chief of Engineering shall review all existing AE CORs, A-E contracts and A-E task orders making adjustments as necessary, to align appointments with this policy not later than 31 March 2008.

6. Each appointed A-E COR must have the appropriate acquisition training to administer the A-E contract per paragraph 4-4b of the referenced EP. Revised training requirements will be issued by the USACE Director of Contracting after the 2nd quarter of FY 2008.
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