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1600 SPEARHEAD DIVISION AVENUE
FORT KNOX, KY 40122

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PERMANENT ORDER 354-03

20 December 2013

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 875th Engineer Battalion
Company A, 875th Engineer Battalion
Company C, 875th Engineer Battalion
131st Engineer Company

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 28 September 2006 to 18 September 2007

Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15

Reason: For outstanding meritorious service during the period 28 September 2006 to 18 September 2007 while in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 875th Engineer Battalion and the cited units formed the 875th Engineer Battalion (Route Clearance) and served as the III Corps' Route Clearance Battalion during Operation Iraqi Freedom 06-08. During its twelve months of conducting route clearance operations, the 875th Engineer Battalion cleared 1,230 Improvised Explosive Devices while conducting 2,727 patrols over 335,077 kilometers of main and alternate supply routes. The battalion's mission to provide assured mobility engineer operations by seeking out and neutralizing the enemy's most destructive weapon of choice, the Improvised Explosive Device, met with unprecedented success in their Area of Operations, resulting in far safer roadways for both Coalition forces and the Iraqi people. The dedication and unrelenting exceptional performance of the 875th Engineer Battalion are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon themselves, the 20th Engineer Brigade, and the United States Army.

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Additional Instructions: This order serves as official notification that a unit award has been approved for the organization(s) listed above and will serve as authority for eligible Soldiers to update their records and wear the award. The award is still subject to final confirmation in Department of the Army General Orders. Official verification of a specific unit's entitlement to display the award in the form of an appropriate streamer on its flag or guidon rests with the U.S. Army Center of Military History (CMH), which is also responsible for determining official unit Lineage and Honors for MTOE organizations. CMH will use this permanent order to authorize the manufacture of an appropriate decoration streamer for any organization clearly entitled to display the award. The streamers will then be manufactured and sent to the U.S. Army Human Resources Command for automatic distribution to the units concerned. It is not the responsibility of HRC to replace streamers that are lost or damaged. Please refer to AR 840-10 for further guidance regarding the responsibilities of the unit concerning the display, care and disposition of the streamers.

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1600 Spearhead Division Ave., Fort Knox, KY 40122, 20 December 2013

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