



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND
1600 SPEARHEAD DIVISION AVENUE, DEPARTMENT 480
FORT KNOX, KY 40122-5408

PERMANENT ORDER 224-21

12 August 2013

1st Engineer Battalion
41st Engineer Company

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 15 September 2012 to 14 June 2013

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

Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 15 September 2012 to 14 June 2013, the 1st Engineer Battalion and the cited unit displayed exceptionally meritorious and exemplary service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. The unit's Soldiers were at the cutting edge of Afghan engineer development, combat effects and responsive tactical construction in Regional Command-East and Regional Command-Capitol. The units provided seamless combat and sustainment support to Task Force Triple Nickel. Their ability to provide Warfighters with mobility, logistics and maintenance wherever and whenever needed as well as their execution of population-centric counterinsurgency operations including the development and partnership with Afghan National Security Forces and the neutralization of enemy forces was paramount in the theater engineer brigade's ability to accomplish its mission throughout Regional Command-East. The 1st Engineer Battalion and the cited unit's dedication to duty and steadfast commitment to mission accomplishment are in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflect great credit upon the units, the 555th Engineer Brigade, Combined Joint Task Force-101 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.

PERMANENT ORDER 224-21, U.S. Army Human Resources Command,
1600 Spearhead Division Avenue, Fort Knox, KY 40122, 12 August 2013

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Elisa M. Robinson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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