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SECRETARY OF DEFENSE

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MEMORANDUM FOR THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY  
THE SECRETARY OF THE NAVY  
THE SECRETARY OF THE AIR FORCE

SUBJECT CLN NATIONAL RANGE PROGRAM PLANNING AND RELATED FUNDING  
POLICY

IT IS THE INTENT OF THIS MEMORANDUM TO SET FORTH GENERAL POLICY GUIDELINES WHICH WILL GOVERN THE PROGRAM PLANNING AND RELATED FUNDING POLICY APPLICABLE TO CROSS-SERVICING PROCEDURES INVOLVING THE NATIONAL MISSILE RANGES. SPECIFICALLY, THESE GUIDELINES WILL APPLY TO THE WHITE SANDS MISSILE RANGE, THE PACIFIC MISSILE RANGE AND THE ATLANTIC MISSILE RANGE MANAGED BY THE ARMY, NAVY AND AIR FORCE, RESPECTIVELY.

THE NATIONAL MISSILE RANGES ARE NATIONAL FACILITIES SUPPORTING ALL RANGE USERS INCLUDING DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE AGENCIES, NASA, AEC AND OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS REQUESTED THAT THE MANAGEMENT AGENCY OF EACH NATIONAL RANGE PLAN ITS PROGRAMS AND BUDGET AND FUND FOR THE RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, PROCUREMENT, THE INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE AND OPERATION OF INSTRUMENTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, COMMON SUPPORT AND SERVICES ASSOCIATED WITH GENERAL RANGE SUPPORT.

RANGE USERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR STATING THEIR RANGE SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS TO THE NATIONAL RANGE THROUGH AN APPROVED TEST PLAN. ALL SUCH PROGRAM REQUIREMENTS WILL BE COLLATED BY THE RANGE AGAINST EXISTING RANGE CAPABILITIES AND TRANSLATED INTO AN APPROPRIATE BUDGET AND FUNDING LEVEL FOR EACH RANGE WHICH WILL BE RECOMMENDED TO THE MANAGEMENT SERVICE BY THE RANGE COMMANDER VIA THE REGULAR BUDGET AND FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES. NORMALLY, THE MANAGEMENT SERVICE WILL BE EXPECTED TO GIVE THESE REQUIREMENTS THE NECESSARY PRIORITIES. THE MANAGEMENT SERVICE WILL ALSO BUDGET FOR AND FUND APPROVED RANGE REQUIREMENTS AT THE NECESSARY LEVEL INCLUDING REPROGRAMMING ACTIONS, AS NECESSARY, TO ACCOMMODATE CHANGES IN APPROVED PROGRAMS AND RELATED FUNDING LEVELS NECESSITATED BY REQUIREMENT CHANGES IN TEST NEEDS UNFORESEEN DURING THE BUDGET PREPARATION CYCLE. IN THE EVENT THAT THE MANAGEMENT SERVICE CANNOT FUND FOR THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE RANGE USER, EITHER BY NORMAL BUDGET OR BY REPROGRAMMING ACTION, THE SPECIFIC PROGRAM AND RELATED FISCAL PROBLEM SHOULD BE BROUGHT TO THE ATTENTION OF THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE.

**NATIONAL RANGE SERVICES WILL NORMALLY BE PROVIDED TO ALL RANGE USERS WITHOUT REIMBURSEMENT, THESE SERVICES INCLUDE CLN**

- A. OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE OF RANGE INSTRUMENTATION.**
- B. REDUCTION OF DATA COLLECTED BY THE RANGE /REDUCTION OF DATA COLLECTED BY OTHER SOURCES WILL BE PROVIDED WITHOUT REIMBURSEMENT IF FACILITIES PERMIT ON A NON-INTERFERENCE BASIS/.**
- C. PHOTOGRAPHIC SERVICES.**
- D. RECOVERY SERVICES TO ACCOMPLISH LOCATION AND RETRIEVAL OF IMPACTING COMPONENTS, RE-ENTRY VEHICLES AND INSTRUMENTATION PACKAGES.**
- E. GROUND SAFETY AND FLIGHT SAFETY SERVICES.**
- F. WEATHER SERVICES IN SUPPORT OF LAUNCH OPERATIONS.**
- G. RANGE COMMUNICATION SERVICES /OFF-BASE COMMERCIAL CIRCUITS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES WILL BE PROVIDED ON REIMBURSEMENT BASIS AS PRESCRIBED BY OTHER REGULATIONS/.**
- H. TRANSPORTATION SERVICES, OTHER THAN BY MATS AND MSTs, BETWEEN THE LAUNCH HEAD AND OFF-SHORE STATIONS WILL BE PROVIDED, IF AVAILABLE, WITHOUT REIMBURSEMENT.**
- I. MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF ALL FACILITIES EXCEPT WHEN PROVIDED BY THE TENANT IN ACCORDANCE WITH MUTUAL AGREEMENT.**
- J. NORMAL BASE SUPPORT SERVICES COMMON TO MILITARY INSTALLATION.**
- K. NORMAL UTILITIES EXCEPT SPECIAL POWER AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS WHICH MAY BE PROVIDED BY THE TENANT IN ACCORDANCE WITH MUTUAL AGREEMENT.**

**THE FOLLOWING SERVICES WILL NORMALLY BE PROVIDED BY THE TENANT OR RANGE USER AGENCY CLN**

- A. OVERTIME COSTS OF RANGE OPERATIONS SCHEDULED AT THE CONVENIENCE OF THE RANGE USER.**
- B. OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE OF GSE AS DEFINED BY 8 JUNE 1960 POLICY LETTER.**
- C. TARGET SERVICES SUBJECT TO SEPARATE AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE SERVICES INVOLVED.**

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