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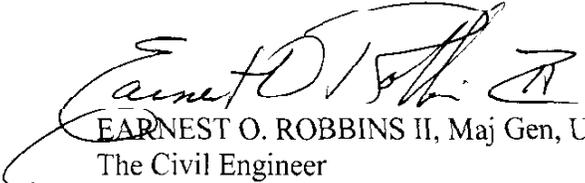
MEMORANDUM FOR ALMAJCOM/CE

FROM: HQ USAF/ILE  
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SUBJECT: FY03 MILCON Dirtkicker Award Criteria

The FY03 Dirtkicker award recognizes MAJCOMs that best execute the Military Construction (MILCON) Program across the full spectrum of engineering and construction management. These activities include design, award, construction, and financial closeout. This year's criteria remain unchanged from FY02. The criteria are in line with the metrics we use to measure MILCON execution and provide a fair and balanced approach to determining the Air Force's best performing MAJCOMs. We will apply these criteria in early October to determine the two FY03 Dirtkicker Award winners, one large command and one small command. They will share a prize of \$400,000 in O&M funds, with \$250,000 going to the large command winner and \$150,000 going to the small command winner.

If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Bob Moore, HQ USAF/ILECM,  
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Attachment:  
FY2003 Dirtkicker Award Points and Criteria

**FY2003 Dirtkicker Award Criteria**

**MAJCOM Categories**

Large MAJCOM	Small MAJOM
ACC AETC AFMC AFSPC AMC PACAF USAFE	11 WG AFSOC USAFA AFRC

**Award Points**

	High	Middle (Goal)	Low	Calculation Type
<b>Design</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	
Use of Old P&D Funds	20	5	0	Measured for the program
Design Completion	20	5	0	Prorated
<b>Award</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>0</b>	
PB Projects	20	10	0	Prorated
CI Projects	20	10	0	Prorated
CWE/PA Ratio *	-	10	0	Measured for the program
<b>Construction</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>	
Cost Growth	20	10	0	Prorated
Schedule Growth	20	10	0	Prorated
Construction Timeline **	-	30	0	Prorated
<b>Financial Closure</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>0</b>	
Timely Closeout	40	20	0	Prorated
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>0</b>	

- \* 0 in this category means elimination from further award consideration.
- \*\* Total available points = 30. Points are prorated based on proportion of projects meeting target construction timelines.
- If a MAJCOM has no projects for consideration in a given category, the “middle” level of points will be awarded.

**Award Criteria**

**Design**

Use of Old P&D Funds: *Returned P&D funds are available for use on other projects. Recognizes the effort required to closeout AE contracts and return small amounts of unobligated P&D funds.*

Baseline criteria: all FY00 and prior year funds obligated, and 98% of FY01 funds obligated. FY02 funds obligated as shown below. Criteria are measured for the entire MAJCOM's program. Therefore, all projects must meet the below criteria to receive points. Points are not prorated.

High: FY02 P&D at least 80% obligated and baseline criteria met

Middle: FY02 P&D at least 70% obligated and baseline criteria met

Low: FY02 P&D less than 70% obligated and/or baseline criteria not met

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Design Completion: *Promotes early advertising and, consequently, early award of projects. Early awards enjoy a more favorable bid climates than do late awards, leading to potential cost savings.*

FY04 President's Budget projects design complete (i.e., 100%) as shown below. Points are prorated and awarded based on the percentage of MAJCOM projects in each category. (Does *not* include any FY03 Plus-Up projects, if applicable.)

High: NLT 15 Aug 2003

Middle: NLT 30 Sep 2003

Low: After 30 Sep 2003

## **Award**

President's Budget Projects: *Early awards enjoy a more favorable bid climates than do late awards, leading to potential cost savings.*

FY03 President's Budget projects awarded as shown below. Points are prorated and awarded based on the percentage of MAJCOM projects in each category. (Does *not* include any FY03 Plus-Up projects, if applicable.)

High: NLT 15 Feb 2003

Middle: NLT 31 Mar 2003

Low: After 31 Mar 2003

Congressional Insert Projects: *As with PB projects, the earlier awards enjoy a more favorable bid climate.*

FY03 Congressional Insert projects awarded as shown below. Points are prorated and awarded based on the percentage of MAJCOM projects in each category. (Includes any FY03 Plus-Up projects, if applicable.)

High: NLT 15 Aug 2003

Middle: NLT 30 Sep 2003

Low: After 30 Sep 2003

CWE/PA Ratio: *Keeping MAJCOM programs within the budgeted amounts precludes the sourcing of funds from other MAJCOMs.*

The sum of the Award CWE (or Design CWE for unawarded projects) divided by the sum of the original PA (e.g., before any rescission, if applicable) for all FY03 projects, grouped by MAJCOM. Criterion is measured for the entire MAJCOM's program. Therefore, all projects must meet the below criterion to receive points. Points are not prorated. MAJCOMs failing to meet the criterion are eliminated from the Dirtkicker Award competition. (Applied to Active Air Force only.)

High: N/A

Middle:  $\Sigma \text{CWE} \div \Sigma \text{PA} \leq \text{Budgeted Amount (i.e., 0.97)}$

Low:  $\Sigma \text{CWE} \div \Sigma \text{PA} > \text{Budgeted Amount (i.e., 0.97)}$

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### **Construction**

Cost Growth: *Minimizing cost growth ensures maximizing efficient use of scarce funds.*

Cost Growth is the ratio of current contract cost to original contract cost. For projects with multiple contracts, both the original and current contract values will be summed. Projects considered will be active FY98-03 projects (i.e., projects *not* financially closed as of 1 Oct 2002) that are *at least* 95% construction complete as of 30 Sep 2003. Points are prorated and awarded based on the percentage of MAJCOM projects in each category.

High: < 3% Cost Growth

Middle: 3% to 6% Cost Growth

Low: > 6% Cost Growth

Schedule Growth: *Schedule growth has a direct impact on cost growth. Minimizing schedule growth promotes quicker closeout of projects and availability of funds for use elsewhere if needed.*

Schedule Growth is the performance days (i.e., NTP to BOD) relative to the original estimated performance days. Projects considered will be active FY98-03 projects reaching beneficial occupancy in FY03 or reaching at least 95% construction completion as of 30 Sep 2003 if not BOD'd. Points are prorated and awarded based on the percentage of MAJCOM projects in each category.

High: ≤ 10% Schedule Growth

Middle: > 10% and ≤ 25% Schedule Growth

Low: > 25% Schedule Growth

Construction Timeline: *Construction timeline is a measure of how often projects meet acceptable performance time targets based on the Programmed Amounts. Constructing projects as quickly as possible gets facilities into the hands of users and benefits military readiness.*

Construction Timeline is the frequency with which a MAJCOM constructs its projects at or below specified 'Target Days', which are determined by Programmed Amounts. Projects considered will be active FY98-03 projects reaching beneficial occupancy in FY03 or reaching at least 95% construction completion as of 30 Sep 2003 if not BOD'd. Points are prorated from a maximum of 30 based on the frequency with which targets are met. Performance days are considered those from NTP to BOD.

365 Days: PA < \$5M

540 Days: PA ≥ \$5M and PA < \$20M

730 Days: PA ≥ \$20M

### **Financial Closure**

Timely Closeout: *Timely closeout of projects ensures funds do not expire. Additionally, it facilitates the movement and use of unused funds where needed before they expire.*

This is the count of projects financially closed out in FY03. Projects considered are all those in program years FY97 and later that are closed in FY03. Also considered are those that are not financially closed but on which beneficial occupancy has been taken at least 12 months before the point calculation date (15

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months for USAFE and PACAF) – that is, projects that ideally should be closed. Projects with obvious data errors that cannot be fixed, such as a project in history status with a financial closure date *before* the beneficial occupancy date in ACES PM, will be excluded. The rationale is to count all financially closed projects relative to those that ought to be closed. Points are determined by evaluating the actual time required to financially close a project after the beneficial occupancy date. Points are prorated and awarded based on the percentage of MAJCOM projects in each category.

High: < 9 months (= 274 days); < 12 months (= 365 days) for USAFE and PACAF

Middle: 9 – 12 months; 12 – 15 months (= 456 days) for USAFE and PACAF

Low: > 12 months; > 15 months for USAFE and PACAF