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REPLY TO
ATTENTION OF

August 11, 2003

The Honorable Joel Hefley
Chairman
Subcommittee on Readiness
Committee on Armed Services
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-6035

Dear Mr. Chairman:

Pursuant to 10 USC 2853, enclosed is a report on cost variation for the Basic Combat Trainee Complex, Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri. Additional details, including the source of funds, are provided in the enclosure. A similar letter is being sent to the Chairman and Ranking Member of the Subcommittee on Readiness and Management Support, Armed Services Committee, United States Senate.

Sincerely,

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Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army
(Installations and Housing)
OASA(I&E)

Enclosure

cc: The Honorable Solomon P. Ortiz
Ranking Member

Bid Expiration date: N/A

Cost Variation Report
As Required by 10 USC 2853

<u>Location/Project</u>	<u>Fiscal Year</u>	<u>Amount Appropriated</u>	<u>Amount Authorized</u>	<u>Current Estimate</u>	<u>Change Percent</u>	<u>Construction Percent Complete</u>
Ft Leonard Wood, MO						
Basic Combat Trainee Complex						
- PN 047051, Phase I	2001	\$38,600,000	\$61,200,000	\$40,600,000	---	81%
- PN 053439, Phase II	2002	\$27,000,000	\$ 4,400,000	\$29,000,000	---	81%
Total Project (both phases):			\$65,600,000	\$69,600,000		6.1%

AUTHORIZATION

National Defense Authorization Act for FY2001, Public Law 106-398 (\$61,200,000) and National Defense Authorization Act for FY2002, Public Law 107-107 (amends P.L. 106-398 to \$65,600,000)

DESCRIPTION

This two-phase Basic Combat Trainee (BCT) complex was initially authorized in Fiscal Year (FY) 2001 and funded over two fiscal years. Based on refined design data, additional authorization was requested, and provided, in FY 2002. The two phases provide a standard-design, battalion-size, basic training complex for 1,200 trainees. The first phase provides open-bay billeting space for 480 trainees, two company operations facilities, classrooms, a battalion headquarters, and a dining facility sized for 800-1,300 soldiers. The second phase provides open-bay billeting space for 720 trainees and three company operations facilities. Both phases include corresponding utilities and site improvements. The project is under construction and is currently 81% complete.

JUSTIFICATION

This project is needed to provide more efficient and effective basic training, safety, mission enhancements, and increase the soldiers' well being by moving this function out of World War II era facilities. It was programmed, designed, advertised, and awarded concurrently with the development of the Army's standard design for a Basic Trainee Complex (BCT). The project was solicited in two phases using a "best-value" procurement process. The first phase comprised the base bid; the second phase was a contract option since it could not be awarded until the Fiscal Year 2002 appropriations became available. All proposals exceeded the authorized amount. Cost-cutting negotiations with the lowest responsible offeror were undertaken. The result was an award Current Working Estimate (CWE) of \$39,142,000 for Phase 1 and \$27,921,000 for Phase 2 for a total cost of \$67,063,000 (2.2% above the Programmed Amount (PA)). This CWE has increased since award - primarily due to mandatory changes that addressed design errors and omissions.

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