Subject: Construction Management Professional Registration or Certification Requirement

Applicability: All USACE Practicing Construction Managers

1. The purpose of this ECB is to ensure that USACE construction managers are either registered as professional engineers or certified to manage construction from either the Construction Management Certification Institute (CMCI) or the American Institute of Constructors (AIC). Certification through CMCI obtains the professional designation as a Certified Construction Manager (CCM) and through AIC a professional level designation of Certified Professional Constructor (CPC) is obtained.

2. USACE Construction Managers are defined as the USACE on site lead responsible for job quality, schedule, cost control and safety. This responsibility normally falls at the GS-12 level project engineer assignment. I ask your support in creating an expectation within our workforce as we grow our Interns to Construction Managers that they seek professional level credentials at their earliest opportunity in their career. Our preference remains that all our construction manager seek the highest level of professionalism, the PE designation. Senior level positions within USACE construction will continue to embrace the PE requirement. In absent of a PE only individuals who have obtained either the CCM or CPC designations should be assigned as on site lead construction managers charged with carrying out the responsibilities defined above. This mandatory provision of an onsite CM having a PE, CCM or CPC becomes effective starting with all project awards made after 30 September 2013. Please start identifying gaps and required training and move out in obtaining these credentials.

3. As USACE embraces professional level qualifications as a prerequisite for assignment as the lead CM on site; we should expect the same from our contractors either performing construction management as an extension our staff or those performing construction management as the builder of our projects. Please ensure that all construction contracts planned for FY14 award and beyond require that the Contractor provide an onsite CM that is a registered PE, a CCM or CPC. USACE will release a FEDBIZOPS notification to contractors of this emerging requirement.

4. Information regarding the CCM and CPC certification programs and requirements can be obtained from the websites below:

http://emaanet.org/certification/ccm/cmci
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http://www.professionalconstructor.org/PROFESSIONALCONSTRUCTOR/AboutCCC/
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