



March 14, 2008

Director's Message

CPC's Office's of Personnel and Career Management Divisions will be temporarily "closed for business" on March 26-28, 2008 for database maintenance. The closure is necessary to properly transfer officer data to some of our upgraded database forms. CPC is confident that these upgrades will 1) provide better customer support/service to officers in the field; 2) better allow CPC to provide "quick access" information to NOAA Corps' decision makers; and 3) streamline operations within CPC to make it operate more efficiently. During the closure, the two Divisions will not be answering e-mails or phone calls. However, if an emergency should arise, individuals can contact CPC via the front desk at 301-713-3444 or via the Division Chief's cell phones: Gregory Raymond at 240-723-5249 or LCDR John Caskey at 301-873-2743.

As CPC continues to increase customer service, there will be a few interruptions in support during the improvement process. We apologize for the inconveniences and thanks for your patience.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "W. B. Kearse".

CAPT William B. Kearse, NOAA
Director, Commissioned Personnel Center

Announcements

DEERS Machine to be Relocated

On Monday March 17th, the DEERS/Rapids ID card machine currently located in CPC will be relocated to the NOAA Silver Spring building complex. CPC will no longer have the ability to directly enter DEERS information or issue ID cards. Any NOAA Corps officer requiring a CAC card or DEERS input will need to go to the closest Rapids site to their location. The Rapids site locator link is located on the CPC's website under DEERS. Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

PCS Timeline Slip

Due to staff shortages and the multiple weeks of selection boards and briefings, CPC has been unable to meet the PCS deadline of 120 days prior. Processing of PCS orders will be back on schedule in the next few weeks.

Approved Retirements

The following officers have approved retirements. Be sure to thank them for their service to NOAA and nation and wish them the best the next time you see these officers!

CAPT Jon E. Rix	May 1, 2008
CDR Julia N. Neander	May 1, 2008
LCDR Stephen J. Thumm	July 1, 2008
CDR Thomas E. Strong	July 1, 2008
CAPT Stephen A. Kozak	January 1, 2009
CAPT John W. Humphrey, Jr.	January 1, 2009
CAPT Sean R. White	July 1, 2009

On the Horizon

January-May, 2008	Billet Review
19 March, 2008	CPC Billet Restructuring Off-site Meeting

Please see NOAA Corps website for additional information:

Assignments:

<http://www.noaacorps.noaa.gov/cpc/careermgmt/assignments.html>

Evaluations:

<http://www.noaacorps.noaa.gov/cpc/careermgmt/evaluation.html>

Training:

<http://www.noaacorps.noaa.gov/cpc/careermgmt/training.html>

Uniforms & Awards:

<http://www.noaacorps.noaa.gov/cpc/perservices/awards.html>