



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
U.S. ARMY HUMAN RESOURCES COMMAND
1600 SPEARHEAD DIVISION AVENUE, DEPARTMENT 480
FORT KNOX, KY 40122-5408

PERMANENT ORDER 065-04

5 March 2012

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 8th Engineer Battalion
Company A, 8th Engineer Battalion
937th Engineer Company
87th Engineer Company
59th Engineer Company (14 January 2011 to 1 December 2011)
572d Engineer Company
530th Engineer Company (15 March 2011 to 14 December 2011)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation

Period of service: 14 January 2011 to 14 December 2011

Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15

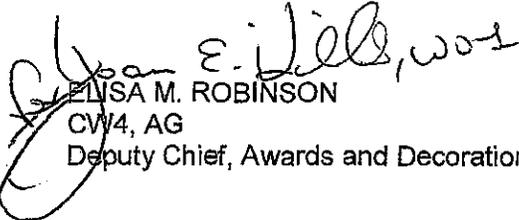
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 14 January 2011 to 14 December 2011, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 8th Engineer Battalion and its subordinate units were distinguished through exceptionally meritorious performance in support of military operations during Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan. During this period, the unit provided unparalleled mission-critical freedom of maneuver support to United States and Coalition Forces in three different provinces throughout Regional Command-South, Afghanistan. The Battalion displayed the courage, drive and ingenuity to excel in its dangerous mission above and beyond the call of duty. The efforts of the "Trojan Horse" battalion effectively denied insurgent forces the ability to emplace improvised explosive devices and helping to bring safety and security to the local populace. The dedication and remarkable service of Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 8th Engineer Battalion and its subordinate units are in keeping with the finest traditions of military performance and have brought great credit upon the unit and the United States Army.

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Additional Instructions: This order serves as official notification that a unit award has been approved for the organization(s) listed above and will serve as authority for eligible Soldiers to update their records and wear the award. The award is still subject to final confirmation in Department of the Army General Orders. Official verification of a specific unit's entitlement to display the award in the form of an appropriate streamer on its flag or guidon rests with the U.S. Army Center of Military History (CMH), which is also responsible for determining official unit Lineage and Honors for MTOE organizations. CMH will use this permanent order to authorize the manufacture of an appropriate decoration streamer for any organization clearly entitled to display the award. The streamers will then be manufactured and sent to the U.S. Army Human Resources Command for automatic distribution to the units concerned.

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Division Avenue, Fort Knox, KY 40122, 5 March 2012

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:


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