PERMANENT ORDERS 252-07

9 September 2009

Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 54th Engineer Battalion
(21 May 2008 to 1 July 2009)
Support Company, 54th Engineer Battalion (21 May 2008 to 1 July 2009)
370th Engineer Company (21 May 2008 to 1 July 2009)
180th Engineer Company (16 December 2008 to 1 July 2009)

Announcement is made of the following award:

Award: Meritorious Unit Commendation
Period of service: As listed above
Authority: AR 600-8-22, paragraph 7-15
Reason: For exceptionally meritorious service. During the period 21 May 2008 to 1 July 2009, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 54th Engineer Battalion and its subordinate units displayed exceptionally meritorious service in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom. The unit served as the sole engineer asset for Multi-National Division-Center, and in doing so, completed essential horizontal engineer missions including the start to finish horizontal construction of 17 bases, 150 route clearance missions, and critical bridge repair and inspection. The unit also supported Coalition and Iraqi Forces by providing force protection and by increasing route trafficability. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 54th Engineer Battalion’s outstanding performance of duty is in keeping with the finest traditions of military service and reflects distinct credit upon the unit, Multi-National Forces-Iraq, the United States Navy, the United States Air Force, and the United States Army.

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, and the completed streamers will be distributed by the Human Resources Command.

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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