



The Main Course

Newsletter of DSCP's Food Service Office

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Notes from the Editor:

Well, we've made it into another year. Hope that 2004 is treating you right and that DSCP can continue to serve you throughout.

Maryann DiMeo



Upcoming Events:

DSCP Worldwide Customer Conference and Food Show 2004

Something to look forward to for next year, the **2004** Subsistence Worldwide Customer Conference & Food Show saddles up at the San Antonio Convention Center in San Antonio TX.

The dates are **July 20-21, 2004**. YEEHAH!!!

For further info call the conference hotline at: 215-737-5300





On the Street - New Solicitations

The Food Service Equipment Section of the Central Contracts Branch continues the preparation of the solicitation for the next generation Prime Vendor Contracts now slated for release on or around January 16, 2004.

The solicitation will be slightly revised to encompass 6 zones (Conus East, Conus West, Oconus East, Oconus West, Conus/Oconus East (Ships)) and Conus/Oconus West Ships) in lieu of the current 4 regions and will have an estimated Total Yearly Value of \$54,000,000.00. The contract will have a base year and 4 one-year options.

In addition the solicitation will call for any potential vendor to supply the requirement and full life cycle support for FSE, which may include, but is not limited to combinations of products, parts, design, layout, installation, removal, repair and technical manuals.

We will also host a Preproposal Conference to entertain questions or concerns regarding the solicitation approximately two weeks after its release.

The Food Service Equipment Team looks forward to serving our customers as we continue supplying state of the art Food Service Equipment for use by all DSCP customers. For more information, please contact Scott Fletcher at (215) 737-3891, DSN 444-3891, or e-mail scott.fletcher@dla.mil.



Upcoming Food Audits

February -

Ship Support – An audit will be held 4th & 5th February 2004

US Food Service LA Div.
15155 Northam St
La Mirada, CA.
SPO300-04-D-3051 (San Diego Ships)

West Region – An audit will be held 25th & 26th February 2004

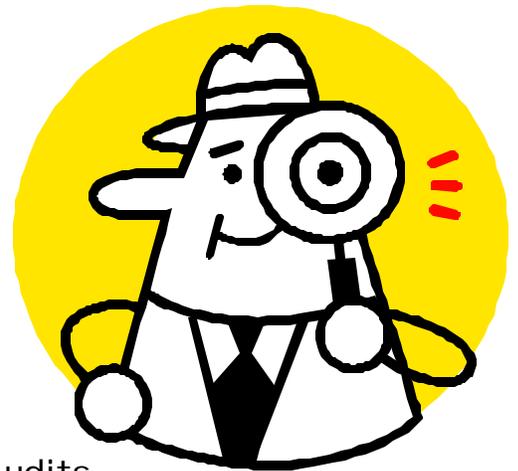
SYSCO Food Services of San Francisco
5900 Stewart Ave
Fremont, Ca.
SP0300-04-D- 3023

March -

Pacific Region – An audit will be held 3rd & 4th March 2004

Coastal Pacific Food Distributors
1604 Tillie Lewis Drive
Stockton, CA
Audit Location: REI -UTOC Yokohoma, Japan

SPO300-04-D-3046 (Japan)
SPO300-04-D-3047 (Ships Singapore)
SPO300-04-D-3048 (Diego Garcia)



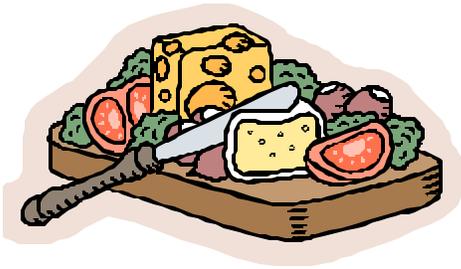
For more information on Quality Audits,
please contact Tony Koprivec (The Quality
Guy) on (215) 737-3878, DSN 444-3878,
or e-mail Anthony.koprivec@dla.mil.

Food Shows



IJ Food Show

The IJ Food Show (The prime subcontractor and US food supplier for Europe Prime Vendor, TWI) is scheduled for Tuesday and Wednesday, 16 & 17 March 2004 at the Convention Center located in mid-town Gatlinburg, Tennessee. Hours are 1000 - 1800 and 0900 - 1600 respectively. There will be approximately 200 vendors represented at this event. Interested attendees should RSVP to Roger Walker at rwalker@ijcompany.com <<mailto:rwalker@ijcompany.com>> with a Cc reply to mikeb@primevendor.de <<mailto:mikeb@primevendor.de>> as soon as possible, but not later than Monday, 1 March 2004. For more information, please contact, Europe Chief, Bill McClenahan at (215)737-9225, DSN 444-9225 or e-mail William.mcclenahan@dla.mil.



Upcoming Pacific Food Shows

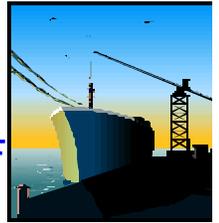
Once again, Pacific Food Shows will be arranged in a circuit for the convenience of participating vendors to encourage maximum involvement from the food industry.

Japan - Coastal Pacific Distributors will host Japan's first full Prime Vendor Food Show on April 5th and 6th at the Yokosuka Naval Base. For more details, please contact Contracting Officer Tony Hope (215)737-7427, DSN 444-7427 or e-mail anthony.hope@dla.mil.

Okinawa - Food Service Incorporated will be hosting a Food Show in Okinawa on April 8th and 9th. For more information, please contact Contracting Officer, Dennis Strolle, at (215)737-5349, DSN 444-5349, or e-mail dennis.strolle@dla.mil.

Focus on Initiatives

TRANSITIONING OF OWNERSHIP OF PRODUCT ABOARD CLF SHIPS



An initiative is underway to transfer ownership of provisions (9Mcog) inventory carried as bulk cargo from the Navy Working Capital Fund (NWCF) ownership to Defense Working Capital Fund (DWCF) ownership on T-AFS, AOE, and T-AOE ships.

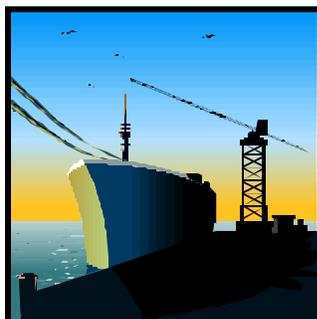
This cooperation between the Navy Command and Defense Logistics Agency will assist the Navy in their ongoing efforts to provide additional service to their military members.

To date, seven of the resupply (CLF) ships have been transitioned, which completes the Pacific fleet. Shipboard training in the new reporting procedures has been provided by a Navy training team.

New individual and unique Cargo contracts will be issued to aid in the management of this project.

Upon completion of the transitioning of the 'LANT fleet ships, all Subsistence product carried aboard resupply ships will belong to DLA inventory. As such, DSCP will be involved with the personnel on board the ships to accurately account for product receipted and issued, as well as balances on hand.

The projected completion date for this initiative is prior to the Ships Region cut over into the BSM systems processes, in the approximate March timeframe. For more information, please contact Chief, Navy Ships Team, Lenore Giorgianni (215) 737-3331, DSN 444-3331 or e-mail Lenore.giorgianni@dla.mil, or, Account Manager, Gordon Peterson at (215)737-4281, DSN 444-4281 or e-mail gordon.peterson@dla.mil.



Uzbekistan Rollout



The first PV food deliveries from the recently established TWI warehouse platform in Tashkent, Uzbekistan arrived the week of 04 Jan for K2 (Army), Uzbekistan, and Manas, Khyrgsztan (AF). The fill rate, around ninety percent for the first orders, was impacted by late arriving containers, and one hot container full of bread items. Considering the circumstances, a very respectable rate, and it is expected to improve with subsequent deliveries as replenishment containers continue to arrive through the US - UZ pipeline. Future chill product deliveries are expected to arrive by rail vs. over road, which has proven to be a more reliable method thus far. K2 had already previously received two deliveries of UGRAs from the Tashkent platform prior to the first PV delivery. UGRAs are being handled as government furnished material (GFM) at this PV location. Customers at these two locations will now benefit from a faster response time- 48-72 hours versus 70-80 days, and will no longer have to plan inventory in full container loads. For more information, please contact Europe Chief, Bill McClenahan (215)737-9225, DSN 444-9225 or e-mail William.mccclenahan@dla.mil.



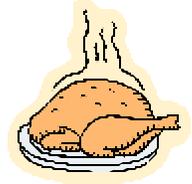
Award Winning Customer



Congratulations to one of our award winning customers! Misawa Airforce Base received word in December that they were selected as a Major Command winner of the Best Food Service Operation in the Japan Region. Great job!



Holiday Support to Middle East Troops a Rounding Success



As early as last July, planning commenced on how to provide a high quality holiday meal to the thousands of troops supporting Operation Enduring Freedom and Operation Iraqi Freedom in the Middle East. The logistical planning was immense, as support for these special meals was needed for personnel from all services in Iraq, Kuwait, Bahrain, Saudi Arabia, Qatar, Oman, United Arab Emirates, Djibouti, Pakistan, Afghanistan, and Uzbekistan. To begin planning as early as mid-summer is always a risky proposition, as troop levels, personnel, and requirements are very fluid in this region and can change instantaneously. This leadtime was needed however, as it takes on average, 90 days to source and ship product over to our prime vendors (located in Kuwait, UAE, and Bahrain) and often additional time is needed to ship out to the end customer (i.e. for Afghanistan an additional 30+ days). Careful planning went into this high visibility venture with respective customer command groups and the goods were received in a timely manner. As always, some increases in troop strength (most notably Bagram and Qatar) created the necessity for last minute airlifts, but the end result was a high level of satisfaction from the customers for both Thanksgiving and Christmas. The success of the holiday meal program has spun off additional holiday requests from customers for the Super Bowl, Black History Month, Easter, and other special events. For additional information, please contact Contract Specialist, Thomas Ferzetti (215) 737-7820, DSN 444-7820 or e-mail thomas.ferzetti@dla.mil.



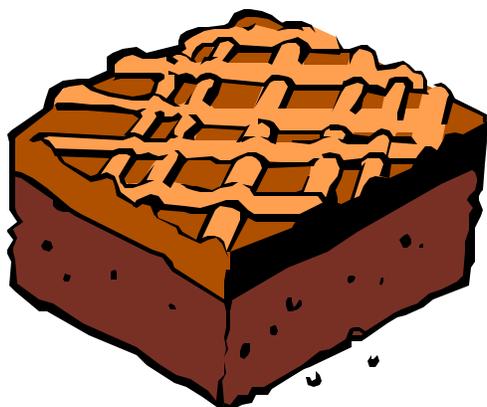
NAPA Update



The total Napa (National Allowance Pricing Agreement) savings for DSCP customers for calendar year 2003 is **\$23,872,937**. We look forward to bringing you more great savings in 2004!

For more information, please contact Ed Lees (215) 737-9238, or e-mail edward.lees@dla.mil.

This Month's NAPA Recipe is courtesy of Smucker's



Fudgy Triple Chocolate Brownie Cake

1 18-1/4-ounce package dark chocolate cake mix

1 4-ounce package instant chocolate pudding

1 cup non-fat sour cream

1/2 cup [Smucker's Baking Healthy™](#)

1/2 cup water

2 eggs or 1/2 cup cholesterol-free egg product

1/2 cup mini chocolate chips

Powdered sugar (optional)

Spray a 9 x 13-inch baking pan with non-stick cooking spray. In a large mixing bowl, combine all ingredients except chocolate chips and powdered sugar. Mix on medium speed until smooth, about two minutes. Fold in chocolate chips; pour into prepared pan. Bake at 350° F for 35 to 40 minutes or until toothpick inserted in center of cake comes out clean. Cool. If desired, sprinkle with powdered sugar before serving.

Makes 20 servings

DSCP HAPPENINGS

Promotion: CW3 Joe Goldsmith has been selected for promotion to CW4! Congratulations.

Employee of the Month for December 2003: Donna Tartaglia, Business Analyst, Directorate of Subsistence was named centerwide employee of the month for December. Congratulations Donna!

Employee of the Month for February 2004: Rosemarie Colaberdino, Management Analyst, GS-9, DSCP-HFS was selected as February's category I I employee of the month. As a Management Analyst, Ms. Colaberdino is a self-starter who consistently displays excellent customer service skills, performs her duties completely, promptly, and pleasantly, and volunteers to help all parties involved in all situations. Maintaining contact with over 165 manufacturers, she ensures that the customer and manufacturer get all the information they need to solve their problems no matter how complex. She is always looking for creative ways to save the Government money, as demonstrated through her input to the NAPA catalog, which has over 13,000 line items and increases daily. Ms. Colaberdino voluntarily takes work home when needed and gives a helping hand to other employees and offices to assist them with their workload, while simultaneously performing her own duties well. She is currently helping with the BSM dig-out program. She also updates all prime vendor contracts and vendor listing in the catalog, an important tool for account managers, and works on the annual Subsistence Customer Conference, answering all questions from customers and manufacturers. Rosemarie Colaberdino is truly deserving of Employee of the Month Recognition.

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