

battle, and for his widow, and his orphan." Congratulations to the Department of Veterans Affairs, and may it continue to serve our nation well for years to come.

#### CONGRATULATIONS TO LIEUTENANT COLONEL ALLEN ESTES, P.E.

Mr. ASHCROFT. Madam President, congratulations to Lieutenant Colonel Allen Estes, P.E., for being selected as one of ten finalists for the National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE) Federal Engineer of the Year Award. This is an intense engineering competition of highly trained and dedicated federal employees, both military and civilian. The candidates are accomplished in their education, service, and leadership to accomplish their agencies' missions. They have performed above and beyond their job descriptions and represent the best and the brightest among those who work for all the citizens of the United States.

Lieutenant Colonel Estes commands the 169th Engineer Battalion at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, where he oversees the training, discipline, and management of over 2,000 new soldiers a year in nine different military engineering occupational specialties. He contributes immeasurably to his community by teaching night courses to soldiers and donating that salary to charities and battalion activities. Lieutenant Colonel Estes is a pioneer in the application of system reliability and optimization techniques for engineering structures. His leadership, accomplishments, community service, and participation in professional organizations make him ideally suited for the Federal Engineer of the Year Award.

Other finalists for this award who deserve recognition are Gregory M. Cunningham, Gary M. Erickson, James D. Wood, George L. Sills, Georgine K. Glatz, Brent W. Mefford, Luis Javier Malvar, Lieutenant Kirsten Lea Nielsen, and Charles D. Wagner.

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##### MEASURE REFERRED

The Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions was discharged from further consideration of the following measure which was referred to the Committee on Foreign Relations:

S. Con. Res. 1. Concurrent resolution expressing the congressional support for the International Labor Organization's Declaration of Fundamental Principles and Rights at Work.

##### EXECUTIVE AND OTHER COMMUNICATIONS

The following communications were laid before the Senate, together with accompanying papers, reports, and documents, which were referred as indicated:

EC-2261. A communication from the Director of the United States Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Program-Specific Guidance About Self-Shielded Irradiator Licenses" (NIREG-1556) received on March 15, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2262. A communication from the Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Review Plan on Foreign Ownership, Control, or Domination" received on March 16, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2263. A communication from the Director of the Office of Congressional Affairs, Nuclear Regulatory Commission, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Policy and Procedure for NRC Enforcement Actions; Interim Enforcement Policy for Generally Licensed Devices Containing By-product Material" (10 CFR 1.5) received on March 16, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2264. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants: Oklahoma" (FRL6312-5) received on March 16, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2265. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; California State Implementation Plan Revision, Sacramento Metropolitan and South Coast Air Quality Management Districts and San Joaquin Valley Unified Air Pollution Control District" (FRL6239-8) received on March 15, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2266. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management

and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Administrative Reporting Exemptions for Certain Radionuclide Releases" (FRL6309-3) received on March 15, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2267. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; State of Iowa" (FRL6310-7) received on March 12, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2268. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of State Air Quality Plans for Designated Facilities and Pollutants; Allegheny County, Pennsylvania; Control of Landfill Gas Emissions from Existing Municipal Solid Waste Landfills" (FRL6311-3) received on March 12, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2269. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Transportation Conformity Rule Amendment for the Transportation Conformity pilot Program" (FRL6309-6) received on March 12, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2270. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Approval and Promulgation of Implementation Plans; Georgia: Approval of Revisions to the Georgia State Implementation Plan" (FRL6306-2) received on March 11, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2271. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Phase 2 Emission Standards for new Nonroad Spark-Ignition Nonhandheld Engines At or Below 19 Kilowatts" (FRL6308-6) received on March 11, 1999; to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.

EC-2272. A communication from the Administrator of the Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Recourse Loan Regulations for Mohair" (RIN0560-AF63) received on March 16, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2273. A communication from the Administrator of the Farm Service Agency, Department of Agriculture, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Recourse Loan Regulations for Honey" (RIN0560-AF62) received on March 16, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2274. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Azoxystrobin; Pesticide Tolerance" (FRL6064-6) received on March 11, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2275. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Dicloran; Extension of Tolerance for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL6065-6) received on March 11,

1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2276. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Maneb (manganous ethylenebisdithiocarbamate); Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL6067-9) received on March 11, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2277. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Pendimethalin; Extension of Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL6063-9) received on March 11, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2278. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Propiconazole; Establishment of Time-Limited Pesticide Tolerances" (FRL6068-4) received on March 11, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2279. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Propiconazole; Extension of Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL6064-2) received on March 11, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2280. A communication from the Director of the Office of Regulatory Management and Information, Environmental Protection Agency, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Tebufenozide; Pesticide Tolerances for Emergency Exemptions" (FRL6065-2) received on March 11, 1999; to the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry.

EC-2281. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's report entitled "National Plan of Integrated Airport Systems, 1998-2002"; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2282. A communication from the Secretary of Commerce, transmitting, pursuant to law, the Department's report on the Baldrige National Quality Program's first 10 years; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2283. A communication from the Secretary of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, a report on safety considerations for transporting hazardous materials via motor carriers in close proximity to Federal prisons; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2284. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Airbus Model A310 and A300-600 Series Airplanes Equipped With General Electric CF6-80C2 Engines" (Docket 96-NM-66-AD) received on March 15, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2285. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 737-100, -200, -300, -400, and -500 Series Airplanes" (Docket 98-NM-375-AD) received on March 15, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2286. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Revision of Class E Airspace; Oakdale, LA" (Docket 94-ASW-03) received on March 04, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2287. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments" (Docket 29475) received on March 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2288. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Standard Instrument Approach Procedures; Miscellaneous Amendments" (Docket 29474) received on March 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2289. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Bell Helicopter Textron, Inc. Model 214B and 214B-1 Helicopters" (Docket 94-SW-23-AD) received on March 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2290. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 747 Series Airplanes" (Docket 98-NM-76-AD) received on March 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2291. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; The New Piper Aircraft, Inc. PA-23, PA-24, PA-28, PA-32, and PA-34 Series Airplanes" (Docket 98-CE-110-AD) received on March 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2292. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; International Aero Engines AG (IAE) V2500-A1 Series Turbofan Engines" (Docket 98-ANE-76-AD) received on March 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2293. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; British Aerospace Jetstream Model 3101 Airplanes" (Docket 98-CE-100-AD) received on March 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2294. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Eurocopter France Model SA. 315B, SA. 316B, SA. 316C, SA. 319B, and SE. 3160 Helicopters" (Docket 97-SW-14-AD) received on March 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2295. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 757-200 Series Airplanes" (Docket 98-NM-238-AD) received on March 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2296. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Systems Model MD-900 Helicopters" (Docket 98-SW-34-AD) received on March 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2297. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Boeing Model 747 Series Airplanes" (Docket 97-NM-254-AD) received on March 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2298. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; British Aerospace Jetstream Model 3101 Airplanes" (Docket 98-CE-99-AD) received on March 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2299. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Airworthiness Directives; Raytheon Aircraft Company 17, 18, 19, 23, 24, 33, 35, 36/A36, A36TC/B36TC, 45, 50, 55, 56, 58, 58P, 58TC, 60, 65, 70, 76, 77, 80, 88, and 95 Series Airplanes" (Docket 98-CE-61-AD) received on March 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2300. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Amendment to Class E Airspace; Neosho, MO" (Docket 99-ACE-11) received on March 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

EC-2301. A communication from the Program Analyst, Office of the Chief Counsel, Federal Aviation Administration, Department of Transportation, transmitting, pursuant to law, the report of a rule entitled "Establishment of Class E Airspace; Crockett, TX" (Docket 99-ASW-03) received on March 4, 1999; to the Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation.

## REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

The following reports of committees were submitted:

By Mr. CHAFEE, from the Committee on Environment and Public Works, with an amendment in the nature of a substitute:

S. 507: A bill to provide for the conservation and development of water and related resources, to authorize the Secretary of the Army to construct various projects for improvements to rivers and harbors of the United States, and for other purposes (Rept. No. 106-34).

By Mr. HELMS, from the Committee on Foreign Relations:

Special Report entitled "Legislative Activities Report of the Committee on Foreign Relations" (Rept. No. 106-35).