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U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Change of Command Scheduled for July 25

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CHARLESTON, S.C. --- Lt. Col. Alvin B. Lee will assume command of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Charleston District, in a change of command ceremony on July 25 at 10 a.m., at the Citadel Alumni Center in Charleston, South Carolina. The public is invited to attend.

Lt. Col. Lee replaces Lt. Col. Peter W. Mueller, the current commander of the Charleston District, who completes his two-year term as district engineer from July 6, 2001, through July 24, 2003. Lt. Col. Mueller's new assignment will be at the U.S. Army Personnel Command in Alexandria, Va.

The Charleston District is one of five districts in the South Atlantic Division and covers the State of South Carolina. As district engineer, Lee is responsible for planning, engineering and constructing water resource projects in the state and administering laws for the protection of navigable waterways and regulatory actions for the state. He oversees approximately 160 employees who are stationed not only in the district's headquarters building in Charleston, but also at three field offices in Conway, Columbia, and the Cooper River Rediversion Project at St. Stephens.

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Lee is a 1985 distinguished military graduate of Georgia Southern University. In addition to a bachelor's degree in Business Administration, he holds a master's degree in Engineering Management from St. Martin's College in Lacey, Washington. He is also a graduate of the Engineer Basic and Advanced Officer courses, Combined Arms Services Staff School, and the Command and General Staff College.

During his 18 years of military service, Lee has served with engineer units in the 1st Armored Division in Fuerth, Germany, and the 36th Engineer Group in Ft. Benning, Ga. He held command of the C/317th Engineer Battalion Mechanized, 3rd Brigade, 24th Infantry Division in Ft. Stewart, Ga., and the U.S. Army Cold Regions Research and Engineering Laboratory's Alaska Projects Office. He also served as an instructor at the U.S. Army Infantry School.

Additionally, Lee was the Deputy Resident Engineer at the Corps' Alaska District in Fairbanks, Alaska; and most recently, the Deputy Commander Forward at Corps' Omaha District Rock Mountain Area Office.

His awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, and the National Defense Service Medal.

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Note: The media is asked to call the Charleston District Public Affairs Office at 329-8123 to confirm attendance, if possible.