

MEMORANDUM FOR SEE DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Safety Advisory 02-2 - Electric Blasting Cap Testing Distance

1. Reference TM 60A-1-1-31, Explosive Ordnance Disposal Procedures, Revision 1, Safety Precautions, General, 31 December 1997.

2. This Safety Advisory applies to the U.S. Army Engineering and Support Center, Huntsville (USAESCH) personnel and its contractors working on ordnance and explosives (OE) sites. This advisory is to reiterate the above listed reference. The below safety recommendations are an excerpt from this reference.

3. The change to TM 60A-1-1-31 now requires that testing of electric blasting caps for continuity be done 50 feet downwind from any explosives prior to connecting them to the firing circuit. This is a change from the previous 25 feet. Electric blasting caps in approved containers must still be separated at least 25 feet from all other explosives until they are needed for priming.

4. This Safety Advisory is intended to serve as a reminder for the Electric Blasting Cap Testing Distance.

5. Comments or questions about this Safety Advisory, please call 256-895-1589.

FOR THE DIRECTOR OF ORDNANCE
AND EXPLOSIVES DIRECTORATE:

Chief, OE Safety Group for
Ordnance and Explosives Directorate

CEHNC-OE-S (200-1c)

SUBJECT: Safety Advisory 02-2 - Electric Blasting Cap Testing
Distance

DISTRIBUTION:

Commander, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, ATTN: CESO-E
441 G Street, SW, Washington, DC 20314-1000

Commander, U.S. Army Engineer District, Sacramento, ATTN:
CESPK-CO-CA Monterey Project Office, Presidio of Monterey,
CA 93944-5000

Commander, U.S. Army Engineer District, St. Louis, ATTN:
CEMVS-ED-P 1222 Spruce Street, St. Louis, MO 73103-2833

Commander, U.S. Army Engineer District, Rock Island, ATTN:
CEMVR-ED-DO Clock Tower Building, P.O. Box 2004, Rock Island,
IL 61204-2004

Commander, U.S. Army Engineer District, Honolulu, ATTN:
CEPOH-EC-E Building 252, Fort Shafter, HI 96858-5440

Commander, U.S. Army Engineer District, Baltimore, ATTN:
CENAB-EN-HI Room 10700C, P.O. Box 1715, Baltimore, MD
21203-1715

Commander, U.S. Army Engineer District, Los Angeles, San Diego
Project Office, 16885 West Bernardo Drive, Suite 300B,
San Diego, CA 92127

Commander, U.S. Army Engineer District, Los Angeles,
P.O. Box 10048, Fort Irwin, CA 92310-0048

Commander, U.S. Army Engineer District, Omaha, ATTN: CEWO-ED-GI
106 S. 15th Street, Omaha, NE 68102-1618

Commander, U.S. Army Engineer District, Fort Worth, ATTN:
CESWF-SO P.O. Box 17300, Fort Worth, TX 76102-0300

Commander, U.S. Army Engineer District, New England
CENAE-CO-EA-SC Impact Area Ground Water Study, Building 2816,
Room 228, Camp Edwards, MA 02542

Commander, U.S. Army Engineer District, Louisville, ATTN:
CERLR-ED-E-B, 600 Martin Luther King Place, Louisville, KY
40201-0059

OE Safety Specialists

OE-DC Read

OE-CX Read

OE-S Read

OE Read

ED Read/File

_____/SafetyAdvisory 02-2