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Huntsville Center Personnel Support Hurricane Relief Effort

HUNTSVILLE, Ala.— Emergency response efforts associated with hurricanes in the Gulf Coast region are critical because of the “great need and sense of urgency required to perform tasks that are related to sustainability of life,” said Tommy Hunt, a civil engineer and volunteer from the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) Engineering and Support Center in Huntsville. Hunt deployed to Louisiana Sept. 2 in support of the Hurricane Katrina Relief effort.

The Center has received 25 specific duty requests for the relief effort. They range in scope from logistics to roofing specialists and quality assurance representatives, according to Sue Baber, from the Centers’ security office. Forty-four civilians have volunteered and more are anticipated as the need grows for assistance. Twelve people have been assigned to specific jobs and will deploy as soon as resources becomes available. The remainder of the assignments will also be filled promptly, Baber said.

Hunt anticipates his duties will be varied and demand an enormous level of responsibility. First responders will support engineering and construction for a full range of housing needs; from immediate sheltering, to temporary housing and permanent structures to support the FEMA (Federal Emergency Management Agency) emergency response effort,” he said. “The civil, electrical, mechanical, and environmental engineers will have varied responsibilities within this enormous

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