

## **NEW ARMY ENERGY LEADER TO FOCUS ON ENERGY SECURITY, RENEWABLES AND PROVIDE FRESH STRATEGIC DIRECTION**

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WASHINGTON – The U.S. Army today announced the selection of Richard G. Kidd IV as the Senior Army Executive responsible for developing and implementing the Army’s strategic and operational energy policy. Kidd will also serve as the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Energy and Partnerships (DASA E&P).

Kidd will serve as the primary energy advisor to Ms. Katherine Hammack, Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations, Energy & Environment (IE&E). His selection as DASA E&P comes at a time of renewed emphasis on energy issues within the Department of Defense (DoD) and the federal government.

“We are delighted to have Mr. Kidd on our team,” said Hammack. “There is no doubt that with the experience and vision he brings, the Army will continue laying the groundwork to advance energy security and sustainability efforts in a meaningful and measureable way. With energy and renewables at the forefront of national policy, the time is right to have someone with his expertise.”

Kidd will work on achieving strategic energy security goals at home and abroad. “Achieving energy security is more than just a technology or a resource challenge, it’s also a challenge of leadership to unite a corporate vision that appropriately addresses energy and sustainability,” Kidd said. “I look forward to working with senior DoD officials such as Assistant Secretary Hammack, Ms. Sharon Burke, Director of Operational Energy Plans and Programs, Dr. Dorothy Robyn, Deputy Undersecretary of Defense for Installations and Environment, and with the private sector to develop effective and lasting partnerships.

“I’m honored to return to my Army roots and to assume this important role,” Kidd said. “With more buildings and more fuel burned in ground vehicles than any other federal entity, the Army has a tremendous opportunity to better use energy and expand operational flexibility through enhanced energy efficiency.”

Kidd previously served as Program Manager for the U.S. Department of Energy (DOE) Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP), where he oversaw the Federal Government’s implementation of sound, cost-effective energy management and investment practices to enhance the nation’s energy security and environmental stewardship.

Under Kidd’s leadership, the Army is placing a priority on ensuring there is always energy available to continue the Army mission uninterrupted, and that means reducing its energy use both overseas and at home.

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