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8 Marine Corps Warfighting Publication (MCWP) 4-11.6, *Petroleum and Water Logistics Operations*,  
9 provides doctrinal guidance for bulk liquids support of the Marine air-ground task force (MAGTF).  
10 This publication is aligned doctrinally with MCDP 4, *Logistics*, and tactically with MCWP 4-1,  
11 *Logistics Operations*. It specifically addresses the techniques and procedures of bulk fuel and water  
12 support of the MAGTF in a joint/multinational environment. MCWP 4-11.6 is a follow-on publication  
13 of MCWP 3-17, *Engineer Operations*.

14 Water and fuel make up the greatest quantities of supply required by the MAGTF to conduct modern  
15 warfare. As petroleum or water requirements rise above individual or small unit needs, it becomes  
16 necessary to handle them in “bulk” form. Bulk handling calls for special equipment, product handling  
17 safeguards, and standing operating procedures (SOPs). Plant account/permanent facilities are often  
18 used at bases, camps, and air stations; however, deploying MAGTFs require special expeditionary  
19 systems such as the tactical fuel systems (TFSs). This publication addresses water and fuel as functional  
20 operations. For discussion of water and fuel supply classes, see MCWP 4-11.7, *MAGTF Supply*  
21 *Operations*.

22 Mission success depends on planning for the known and expecting the unknown. This is especially true  
23 when planning bulk liquids operations. Part I discusses bulk fuel operations and part II discusses bulk  
24 water operations. Commanders and their staffs at all levels must be concerned about maintaining water  
25 and fuel support through completion of the unit’s mission. To provide the most effective use of bulk  
26 liquids stocks and equipment, bulk liquids planners must be familiar with Marine Corps and  
27 Department of Defense (DOD) bulk liquids assets and responsibilities. To ensure adequate support,  
28 commanders and their staffs should address planning for these two commodities in all operation plans  
29 (OPLANs).

30 Petroleum and water are supplied as either packaged or bulk products. Packaged products differ from  
31 bulk products in one respect: the product is received along with the container in a packaged product.  
32 Fuel and water are combat-essential bulk commodities that are no longer only supplied by 5-gallon cans  
33 or packaged supply methods. Packaged methods require extensive shipping space and provide a  
34 reduced throughput capability when compared to “bulk” operations. The current Marine Corps and  
35 DOD policy is that packaged or drummed fuel (and water) is not the preferred method of providing  
36 bulk liquids. With the many drawbacks to using packaged or drummed products, the use of packaged  
37 or drummed fuel (and water) should be kept to a minimum.

38 Bulk liquids are defined as petroleum or water products that are normally transported by pipeline, rail  
39 tank car, tank truck barge, or tanker and stored in tanks or containers having a capacity of more than 55  
40 gallons. MAGTF commanders and staff planners need to be aware of and should consider the many  
41 options available in bulk liquids operations. Mission success may hinge on proper planning and  
42 handling of these complex and dynamic commodities.

43 This publication provides information on the bulk liquids mission, organization, and concept as well as  
44 guidance for the planning and conduct of bulk fuel and water support operations for commanders,  
45 staffs, subordinate commanders, and personnel in bulk liquid units.

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# **PART 1. BULK FUEL OPERATIONS**

## **CHAPTER 1. FUNDAMENTALS**

### **CONCEPT OF BULK FUEL OPERATIONS**

Bulk fuel support is a joint venture. While bulk fuel management for joint operations is the ultimate responsibility of the commander of the joint force, each Service is responsible for support of its forces and any other missions assigned by the joint commander. The actual procedures used to provide bulk petroleum support to the Services will depend on conditions in the area of operations (AO), e.g., a developed theater or an undeveloped theater. Bulk fuel operations should adhere to applicable environmental protection rules and regulations as contained in MCO P5090.2A, *Marine Corps Environmental Compliance and Protection Manual*. In the absence of local regulations guidance contained in the Overseas Environmental Baseline Guidance Document (OEBGD) should be referenced.

### **DEVELOPED THEATER**

A mature or developed theater will usually have host nation infrastructure assets available such as pipelines, storage facilities, and railways that will help support the bulk petroleum distribution system. Airbases, tactical airfields, and Service bed-down sites will be supported by host nation support (HNS) whenever tactically feasible. HNS will extend as far forward as possible.

### **UNDEVELOPED THEATER**

In the undeveloped theater, host nation or commercial bulk fuel facilities normally will not be available and tactical assets will have to be used. The bulk fuel supply system in the undeveloped theater may include limited tanker mooring systems, floating or submerged hoses, and tactical fuel systems.

### **RESUPPLY**

Bulk fuel resupply is managed in the unified commander Joint Petroleum Office (JPO) or sub unified commander subarea petroleum officer (SAPO). The combatant commander JPO coordinates all agreements concerning bulk fuel support between component commands and host nations. For the majority of places that Marine forces will be employed, Marines will have to make maximum use of their organic bulk fuel equipment. However, when available, host nation support (HNS) will be used to receive, store, and provide bulk fuel stocks to the maximum extent possible. Host nation (HN) assets will be used to augment US transportation and bulk fuel distribution capabilities. Once resupply lines of communications are established, the JPO will make preparations for resupply from continental US (CONUS) pushed stocks and/or from theater source stocks (i.e., contracted from theater refineries), as coordinated by either the joint task force (JTF) or the functional component commander.

1 **MARINE FORCES**

2 Marine forces can obtain initial petroleum supply support from operating stocks carried aboard  
3 maritime prepositioning ships (MPS), assault echelon and assault follow-on echelon (AFOE)  
4 shipping (including landing forces operational reserve material (LFORM)), and in-theater bulk  
5 petroleum war reserve stocks (BPWRS) stored in selected storage depots throughout the theater.  
6 Additionally, maximum use will be made of available host nation support bulk fuel supply  
7 systems and stocks as negotiated in standing host nation support agreements. Due to the lack of  
8 tanker offloading facilities in many areas, US Navy ship-to-shore capabilities may have to be  
9 utilized. Employment of the US Navy offshore petroleum discharge system (OPDS) and  
10 amphibious assault bulk fuel system (AABFS) in conjunction with the USMC AAFS may be  
11 required to meet Marine Corps needs. Arrangements for this are coordinated by the Marine  
12 component commander or Marine expeditionary force (MEF) and the functional component  
13 commander.

14 **INLAND DISTRIBUTION**

15 Depending upon the situation, inland distribution of bulk fuel will be by pipeline as much as  
16 possible, to include inland petroleum distribution system (IPDS) pipeline, and by line haul as  
17 required. Whenever possible, petroleum distribution to the airfields will be by tactical hoseline  
18 from the AAFS to the TAFDS. Mobile refuelers will be used if required to transport bulk fuel to  
19 the airfields.

20 Bulk fuel support will be provided on a “push” or “pull” basis, as required, to ensure the  
21 capability of continuous operations. The basic operating concept is to keep storage tanks full at all  
22 times. For Marine Corps retail bulk fuel operations, bulk fuel will be pumped/transported from  
23 the main AAFS tank farm to the combat service support detachment (CSSD) tank farms.

## CHAPTER 2. ORGANIZATION

On 1 July 1973, the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) assumed centralized management of bulk petroleum within the DOD. The Defense Energy Support Center (DESC), a component of DLA, was designated the executive agent (EA) of DoD bulk petroleum on 11 August 2004. DODD 5101.8, *DOD Executive Agent for Bulk Petroleum*. The combatant commanders have established JPOs to discharge staff petroleum logistic responsibilities within the theaters. Each Military Service is tasked with maintaining a petroleum office to manage bulk petroleum within the Services. This chapter discusses the operational organizations and capabilities of petroleum agencies throughout the DOD.

### ORGANIZATION AND RESPONSIBILITIES

#### Defense Energy Support Center

The DESC is responsible for procurement of bulk petroleum products and all DOD related energy services and maintains the product until it is delivered to the supported Service. To provide timely and efficient support to the Services, the DESC has established regions of responsibility. These regions are located in CONUS, US Pacific Command, US European Command, and the Middle East. These regions provide close contact and coordination with the Services. In CONUS, DESC personnel order products from contractors, distribute products to the Services, and perform contract administration. Overseas, DESC personnel provide product ordering and contract administration. The missions and general functions of the DESC regions are outlined in detail in DOD Manual (DODM) 4140.25-M, *Volumes I – IV, Department of Defense (DOD) Management of Bulk Petroleum Products, Natural Gas, and Coal*, and DOD Directive (DODD) 4140.25, *DOD Policy for Energy Commodities and Related Services*.

#### Unified Commands

In unified commands, staff planning and management for bulk petroleum is performed in the J-4 JPO. The JPOs are normally staffed by personnel from each Department level Military Service having a mission in the theater. The JPO coordinates the theater bulk petroleum operations and provides the interface between DESC and Service theater bulk petroleum managers. Service theater bulk petroleum managers provide Service bulk petroleum requirements to the JPO. The JPO consolidates the requirements for all the Services and schedules deliveries for the theater. The JPO advises the theater commander and staff on bulk petroleum logistic planning and policy matters. When required, the JPO advises the combatant commander on the allocation of bulk petroleum products and facilities.

Bulk petroleum management for the entire theater is the ultimate responsibility of the commander of the unified command through the JPO. The unified command may also establish SAPOs at the subunified command level to provide in-country or regional staff management functions.

#### Joint Bulk Fuel Support

During joint operations, bulk fuel management for the entire force is the ultimate responsibility of the joint force commander. Daily management is accomplished by the JPO or JTF petroleum staff office, in coordination with the inland distribution manager, Service retail managers, DESC,



1 and applicable host nation activities. The joint force commander makes the final decision on  
2 appropriate way to accomplish bulk fuel storage and distribution to include the mix of Service  
3 tactical equipment, DESC contract support, and host nation support. Services are responsible for  
4 providing retail bulk fuel support to its forces. Retail bulk fuel is fuel that is held primarily for  
5 direct support (DS) to an end-use customer, i.e., aircraft, vehicles, etc.

## 6 **Joint Task Force**

7 Bulk petroleum management in operations is similar to that in unified commands. The JTF  
8 commander normally establishes a petroleum office within the J-4. This office coordinates the JTF  
9 bulk petroleum requirements with the unified commander JPO and the JTF components. Additional  
10 functions performed by the JTF petroleum office are to—

- 11 • Coordinate petroleum planning and operations within the JTF.
- 12 • Coordinate with the JPO for bulk petroleum requirements that must be obtained from in-  
13 country commercial sources.
- 14 • If required, establish a bulk petroleum allocation system within the JTF.

15 Normally, the JTF petroleum office will rely on the area unified command JPO for wholesale  
16 bulk petroleum management and support. Personnel for the JTF petroleum office are normally  
17 provided by the Services within the JTF.

## 18 **MILITARY SERVICES**

19 Each Service is responsible for providing retail bulk petroleum support to its forces. In addition,  
20 the Army is charged with the mission of providing overland petroleum support to all US land-  
21 based forces overseas except Navy ocean terminals. The Navy, in combination with DESC, is  
22 responsible for the management of Navy ocean terminals and for ship-to-shore petroleum  
23 support. In areas without an Army presence, either the dominant user (designated by the unified  
24 command) the JTF, DESC, and/or a combination of both will operate the bulk petroleum distri-  
25 bution systems.

## 26 **US Army**

27 The US Army staff management for petroleum planning and operations is in the United States  
28 Army Petroleum Center (USAPC), Office of the Deputy Chief of Logistics (ODCSLOG). Daily  
29 operational supply of bulk fuel in the Army is managed by the US Army Petroleum Center  
30 (USAPC). Principal duties of the USAPC include determining and consolidating Army fuel  
31 requirements, submitting procurement requests to DESC, and maintaining liaison with DESC and  
32 other Military Services on operational and policy matters affecting bulk fuel operations. At the  
33 Army theater level, the Theater Army Material Management Command (TAMMC) is the item  
34 manager for bulk fuel. In accordance with DOD 4140.25-M, the Army provides overland bulk  
35 fuel support to US land-based forces of all Services. The principal organization carrying out the  
36 bulk fuels distribution mission in the communications zone (COMMZ) is the petroleum group  
37 assigned directly to theater army. The petroleum group is responsible for the detailed petroleum  
38 distribution planning that is the basis for design, construction, and operation of the distribution  
39 system for the theater. The group is responsible for liaison with HN staffs to include coordination  
40 of allied pipeline and distribution systems. The petroleum group and its subordinate units operate  
41 the bulk fuel distribution system extending from ports of entry through the COMMZ and as far  
42 into the combat zone as practicable.

1 The Army is tasked with the mission of providing overland theater-level bulk fuel support to US  
2 land forces of all overseas DOD components except Navy ocean terminals. This mission includes  
3 providing the necessary force structure to construct, operate, and maintain overland pipelines in  
4 support of the wholesale theater bulk fuel mission. In areas without an Army presence, either the  
5 dominant user designated by the joint commander, DESC (by contract), or a combination of both  
6 will be tasked to operate bulk fuel distribution system.

## 7 **US Air Force**

8 Staff management responsibility for US Air Force bulk fuel is in the Fuels Policy Branch, Deputy  
9 Chief of Staff Logistics and Engineering. Air Force Fuels Division Detachment-29 is the control  
10 point for bulk fuel requirements and inventory management. It conducts liaison with DESC and the  
11 other Services on operational and policy matters affecting bulk fuel operations. At the Air Force  
12 major command level, the Command Fuels/Supply Officer provides staff and command supervision  
13 over bulk fuel operations. In-flight refueling operations are not considered bulk fuel operations and  
14 are the responsibility of the Air Mobility Command (AMC). Organizations requiring in-flight  
15 refueling support should coordinate directly with AMC.

## 16 **US Navy**

17 Department of the Navy staff management for bulk fuel is in the Navy Energy Office, Deputy  
18 Chief of Naval Operations, Logistics. The naval operational logistics support center (NOLSC) is  
19 the control point for bulk fuel requirements and inventory management. NOLSC duties include  
20 maintaining liaison with DESC and the other Services on operational and policy matters affecting  
21 bulk fuel operations. At the Navy major command level, fleet petroleum staff officers provide  
22 staff management on bulk fuel matters. In joint operations, the Navy supports the ship-to shore  
23 bulk fuel mission. The Navy is responsible for getting bulk fuel to the beach high water mark  
24 where the fuel is received by Army or Marine Corps bulk fuel units. The Navy's shore fuel  
25 expeditionary mission is filled entirely by Naval Reserve fuel units. These units are managed by  
26 NOLSC and the expeditionary support force. They are composed of 22-man units, capable of  
27 handling multiple missions including bulk and retail bag farm operations, truck, aviation  
28 refueling, OPDS, and augmentation of fixed fuel facilities. There are ten units in existence as of  
29 1994, equally distributed on both coasts.

## 30 **US Marine Corps**

31 Headquarters Marine Corps policy responsibility for bulk fuel resides in the Logistics Plans,  
32 Policies, and Strategic Mobility Section (LP), Commandant for Installations and Logistics.  
33 NOLSC is also the Marine Corps service control point for bulk fuel. At the major command  
34 level, the Marine component commander and/or MEF assistant chief of staff G-4, is responsible  
35 for bulk fuel management, planning, operations, and policy. The Marine component  
36 commander/MEF G-4 maintains liaison with the unified command JPOs, NOLSC, and other  
37 Military Services on matters concerning bulk fuel operations and policy. See table 2-1 for  
38 MAGTF responsibilities.

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**Table 2-1. Responsibilities**

<b>Responsibilities</b>	<b>MARFOR</b>	<b>MEF</b>	<b>DIV</b>	<b>MAW</b>	<b>FSSG</b>
Plan and estimate petroleum requirements in operational plans.	X	X	X	X	X
Coordinate bulk fuel operations to ensure economy of operations and prevent duplication of functions.		X			X
Monitor fuel stocks.	X	X	X	X	X
Coordinate requirements for host nation support with the combatant commander/JTF.	X	X			
Coordinate bulk fuel support for forces attached to the MEF.		X			
Request release of BPWRS JCS via from combatant commander.	X	X			
Allocate bulk fuel assets and stocks within the MEF.		X			
Identify bulk fuel shortfalls to the JTF or Marine Corps Forces.	X	X			
Plan for and establish TAFDS and HERS support at airfields.				X	
Establish internal fuel distribution procedures.		X	X	X	X
Establish quality control procedures for bulk fuel per MIL-STD 3004 and NAVAIR 00-80T-109.				X	X
Establish accounting procedures to record usage data.	X	X	X	X	X
Plan for and establish AAFS sites as required to support the MEF.	X	X			X
Coordinate ship-to-shore bulk fuel operations.	X	X			X
Plan for and establish distribution of bulk fuel to support the MEF.	X	X		X	X
Coordinate bulk fuel requirements with the MEF G-4. Ensure stocks are sufficient to reach and maintain stockage objectives.			X	X	X
Provide bulk fuel laboratory support to the MEF.					X
Coordinate bulk fuel supply for HN/other established airfields.	X	X		X	X

## 2 **Marine Corps Component Commander/MEF**

3 The Marine Corps component commander is responsible for wholesale logistic support at the  
4 Service, theater, combatant commander, and host nation level. The MEF is responsible for  
5 operational and tactical bulk fuel receipt, storage, and distribution. Accordingly, the MEF will  
6 work all retail logistics provisioning for the major subordinate commands. To this end, the MEF  
7 command element is responsible for requirements determination and operations in and forward of  
8 the rear combat zone; the Marine component commander is responsible for the communications  
9 zone and supported/supporting combatant commander coordination. All fuel operations in the  
10 MEF zone of action or amphibious objective area (AOA) will be coordinated by the MEF bulk  
11 petroleum officer. Linkage to the in-theater combatant commander JPO, DESC, host nation, and  
12 other Service components is a Marine component commander responsibility.

## 13 **Marine Aircraft Wing**

14 The MAW G-4 is responsible for bulk fuel planning and coordination. Within the MAW, fuel  
15 support is provided through the Marine wing support group (MWSG). The MWSG is comprised  
16 of both fixed wing (F/W) and rotary wing (R/W) Marine wing support squadrons (MWSSs). Bulk  
17 fuel operations in support of the MAW are performed by the fuel branch within the MWSS.  
18 These units provide refueling support for MAW aircraft and ground equipment. The MWSS fuel  
19 branch is responsible for the receipt, storage, distribution, and quality surveillance of bulk fuel in  
20 support of MAW operations. The fuel branch of a MWSS is capable of providing refueling  
21 support at two separate airfields simultaneously. The difference between the R/W and F/W fuel

1 branches is the table of equipment. (For current quantities, refer to the logistics management  
2 information system (LMIS).)

3 ***Marine Division***

4 The MARDIV is a fuel user, not a fuel provider. However, the MARDIV has limited organic  
5 bulk fuel assets to support their own units.

6 ***Force Service Support Group***

7 The FSSG provides bulk fuel supply support for the sustainment of the MEF. They provide all  
8 bulk fuel support that is beyond the organic capabilities of supported units. Bulk fuel planning  
9 and coordination is performed in the FSSG G-3. To conduct bulk fuel operations, the FSSG uses  
10 bulk fuel assets located within the engineer and motor transport organizations.

11 ***Engineer Support Battalion.*** The ESB is responsible for providing general bulk fuel support to  
12 the MEF to include receipt, storage, distribution, and quality surveillance. The ESB has one bulk  
13 fuel company to provide this support. When supporting MAGTF airfields, the ESB is responsible  
14 for fuel distribution to the airfield. The bulk fuel company of the ESB provides coordination and  
15 control with the MAW for transfer of bulk fuel to the airfields.

16 ***Transportation Support Battalion.*** Transportation and distribution of bulk fuel for the MEF is  
17 provided by the general support (GS) company and DS company in the transportation support  
18 battalion.

## CHAPTER 3. TACTICAL FUEL SYSTEMS

Marine Corps bulk fuel equipment has to meet a wide spectrum of requirements from ship-to-shore operations to aircraft refueling. To meet these requirements, the Marine Corps has developed a family of tactical fuel systems (TFSs). Each system is designed and configured specifically to support a unique mission requirement using similar components. The ability to alter fundamental system configurations and interchangeability of components allows the creation of limitless combinations of tailored systems to meet mission requirements.

The Marine Corps family of TFSs were originally designed and deployed in the 1950s to replace the 55 gallon drum and 5 gallon fuel can as the primary method for Marine Force's bulk fuel support. The basic design of collapsible fuel tanks, trailer mounted pumps, fuel hoses and valves, filtration vessels and miscellaneous components has provided a solid foundation for the evolution of the family of TFSs to meet the ever changing operational and tactical fuel support requirements of the MAGTF. Today the family of Tactical Fuel Systems provides a wide range of storage tank sizes ranging from 500-gallons to 50,000-gallon capacities with receipt and pumping rates ranging from 125 gallons per minute (GPM) to 600 GPM.

### AMPHIBIOUS ASSAULT FUEL SYSTEM

The AAFS is the largest of the TFSs. Consisting of many assemblies, the AAFS is used to receive, store, transfer, and dispense all types of fuel. The AAFS supplies bulk fuel to all elements of a MAGTF including distribution by hoseline to airfields. The system can receive fuel from offshore vessels, railcars, tank trucks, bulk storage tanks, pipeline/hoseline, and drums. Fuel is stored and can be transferred to another storage site or dispensed to individual containers, vehicles, tank trucks, and other fuel systems.

### Composition

Six assemblies compose the AAFS:

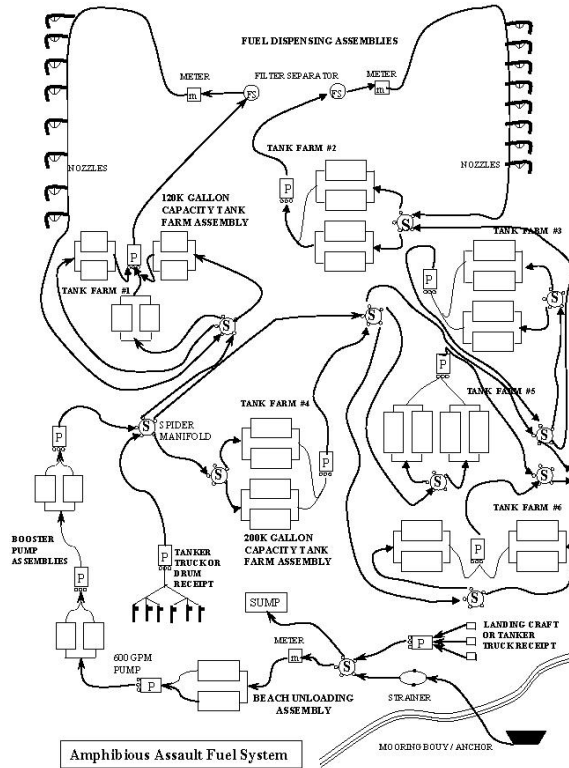
- Beach unloading assembly.
- Receiving assembly.
- Two booster station assemblies.
- Two adapting assemblies.
- Two dispensing assemblies.
- Six tank farm assemblies.

Each AAFS has one beach unloading assembly used for receiving fuel during ship-to-shore operations. Two booster station assemblies in each AAFS are used when the distance between storage sites is greater than the pumping distance. The AAFS storage capacity comes from the six tank farms. One receiving assembly in each AAFS provides the capability to receive fuel from multiple sources. Two dispensing assemblies in each AAFS provides the capability to dispense fuel. The AAFS has two adapting assemblies to make the system compatible with commercial and other Services' fuel systems. Versatility is an important part of the AAFS. It can be deployed as a whole or tailored to meet mission requirements.

The AAFS storage capacity is 1,120,000 gallons made up from its six tank farms. The AAFS has approximately 5 miles of 6-inch assault hose and uses 600-GPM pumping capabilities. Using

1 quick-connect, cam-lock fittings, the AAFS can be assembled without tools and is compatible  
2 with the other Marine Corps TFSSs.

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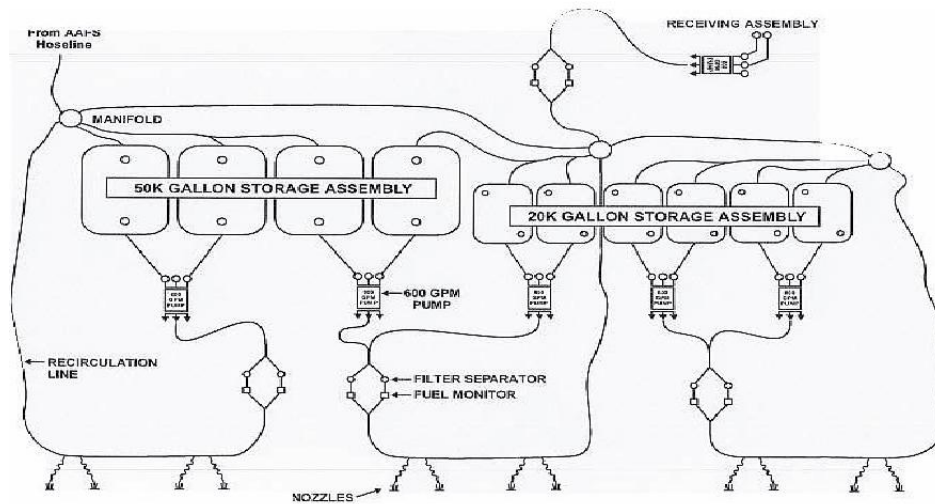
6 **Figure 3-1 Amphibious Assault Fuel System.**

## 7 **TACTICAL AIRFIELD FUEL DISPENSING SYSTEM**

8 The Tactical Airfield Fuel Dispensing System (TAFDS) (USMC TAMCN B0675) is similar in  
9 design to the AAFS tank farm. This system is used for receiving, storing, transferring, and  
10 dispensing aviation fuel in support of expeditionary airfields. This system is air transportable and  
11 versatile and can be quickly assembled. Compatible with other Marine Corps TFSSs, the TAFDS  
12 can receive fuel from almost any source with the appropriate adapters. Fifty-five gallon drums  
13 may be defueled using the drum-unloading portion of the TAFDS. With the single fuel on the  
14 battlefield concept, the TAFDS will be able to supply aviation and ground fuel for airfields.

15 The TAFDS consists of six 20,000 gallon and four 50,000 gallon collapsible tanks for a storage  
16 capacity of 320,000 gallons. Each TAFDS rates seven pumps of either 350 or 600 GPM. With  
17 its designed pumping rate and equipment to set up 12 dispensing points, the TAFDS has a  
18 multiplane fueling capability. The TAFDS may also be used to replenish tank vehicles.  
19 Filtration of the fuel to meet naval air requirements is accomplished using filter separators and  
20 fuel quality monitors. The TAFDS is used for hot or cold aircraft refueling.

## TACTICAL AIRFIELD FUEL DISPENSING SYSTEM (TAFDS)

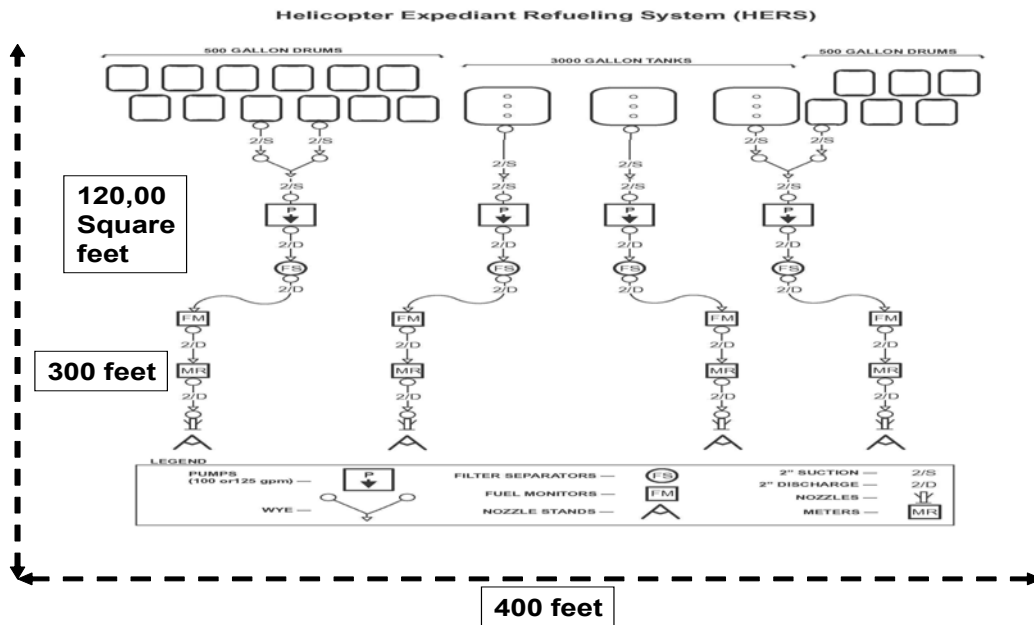


1 FUEL DISPENSING AREA

2 **Figure 3-2 Tactical Airfield Fuel Dispensing System.**

## 3 **HELICOPTER EXPEDIENT REFUELING SYSTEM**

4 The Helicopter Expedient Refueling System (HERS) (USMC TAMCN B1135) is designed for  
5 support of helicopter operations in advanced areas and remote sites. It is normally used at  
6 forward arming and refueling points (FARPs). Versatility, easily transportable, and a quick setup  
7 are the key elements of the HERS. Equipped with 2-inch hoses and adapters, the HERS is  
8 compatible with other Marine Corps TFSS. The HERS has a maximum capacity of 18,000  
9 gallons from 18 500-gallon drums and three 3,000-gallon collapsible tanks. The HERS has four  
10 100/125 GPM pumps and enough components to set up four refueling points. It may be deployed  
11 as a whole or in part to meet operational requirements. Due to the limited storage capacity and  
12 the flow rate of the HERS (100 GPM), the HERS is best used for attack helicopters to increase  
13 their range, but can be used to support utility helicopters as well.



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**Figure 3-3 Helicopter Expediant Refueling System.**

4 **EXPEDIENT REFUELING SYSTEM**

5 The expedient refueling system (ERS) was designed for support of ground vehicles in advanced  
6 positions. Easily transportable and highly mobile are key elements of the ERS. The ERS is  
7 normally used with 500-gallon collapsible fuel drum or 3,000 gallon bag and consists of either a  
8 100 or 125 GPM pump and with hoses and fittings for two refueling points. All components  
9 within the ERS have 2-inch couplings. The ERS does not have filtration equipment and should  
10 not be used for aircraft refueling.

11 **SIXCON**

12 The Marine Corps liquid storage, transporting, and dispensing system, is commonly called a  
13 SIXCON. Certain SIXCONs are used to store, transport, and dispense fuel. A SIXCON is  
14 transportable by air or ground. Components of the fuel SIXCON system are a fuel pump module  
15 and five fuel tank modules. The modules form a fuel distribution source that can be transported  
16 as a unit or individually.

17 **Fuel Pump Module**

18 The SIXCON fuel pump module (USMC TAMCN B1580) consists of a 125 GPM pump, 100  
19 GPM filter separator, 100 GPM fuel quality monitor, meter assembly, and hose reel. The fuel  
20 pump was designed to dispense fuel from several types of fuel tanks, for defueling, or for filtering  
21 aircraft or ground fuels. The rate of transfer for the SIXCON pump module is up to 100 GPM.



1 **Fuel Tank Modules**

2 Each SIXCON fuel tank module (USMC TAMCN B2085) is made of stainless steel and has a  
3 capacity of 900 gallons. It is encased by a standard 8' X 8' X 20', International Organization for  
4 Standardization (ISO) container. The fuel tank is equipped with all the hoses and adapters to  
5 connect the tanks to the pump unit.

6 **Accessories**

7 SIXCON modules are interconnected using special horizontal and vertical ISO connectors. Fuel  
8 is transferred via 2-inch hoses with dry-break couplings. This allows rapid assembly and  
9 disassembly without loss of fuel or damage to the environment.

10 **Cyclic Resupply**

11 SIXCON modules are assigned to all elements of the MAGTF. These organizations may  
12 implement a cyclic resupply procedure where full modules are exchanged for empty ones.  
13 SIXCONs may also be assigned to using organizations for minimal fuel handling at the operator  
14 level.

15 **M970 MOBILE REFUELER**

16 The M970 5,000-gallon mobile refueler (USMC TAMCN D0215) provides aircraft  
17 refueling/defueling and over-the road transportation of bulk fuel. It is assigned to both the  
18 aviation combat element (ACE) and the combat service support element (CSSE). Within the  
19 ACE, the M970 is organic to the MWSS and is used primarily to refuel aircraft. Within the  
20 CSSE, the M970 is organic to the transportation support battalion and is assigned to CSSE motor  
21 transport and/or engineer detachments. The CSSE uses the M970 to transport bulk fuel between  
22 storage sites or directly to the customer.

23 **TACTICAL PETROLEUM LABORATORY-MEDIUM**

24 The tactical petroleum laboratory, medium (TPLM) (TAMCN B0695) provides the essential  
25 testing components integrated into an ISO container to monitor the critical physical and chemical  
26 characteristics of aviation and ground fuels. There are 16 tests that can be conducted in  
27 accordance with the American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM). JP-4, JP-5, JP-8,  
28 diesel, and their commercial grade equivalents can be tested for composition and quality against  
29 minimum standards as specified in Military Handbook (MIL-HDBK)-200, *Quality Surveillance*  
30 *Handbook for Fuel, Lubricants and Related Products*. The TPLM can also test captured fuels.

31 **USMC AIRCRAFT BULK FUEL HANDLING SYSTEMS**

32 Air-to-air refueling or transfer of bulk aviation fuel can both extend the range of aircraft and  
33 provide a means for the MAGTF to "air deliver" jet fuel to forward operating sites (jet fuel can  
34 also be used as diesel fuel). Table 3-1 is a listing of I/II MEF bulk fuel equipment.

1 **USMC KC-130R Transport**

2 The primary mission of the KC-130R Transport is air-to-air refueling. It can air-to-air refuel both  
3 tactical Marine fixed-wing aircraft and CH-53 helicopters. The KC-130R can also land at distant  
4 airfields carrying up to 10,000 gallons of jet fuel.

5 **Tactical Bulk Fuel Distribution System (TBFDS)**

6 The TBFDS consists of fuel range extension tanks, hoses, and couplings that can be loaded  
7 internally on a CH-53 helicopter. This system can be used to extend the operating range of the  
8 CH-53 or allow for helicopter delivery of fuel to distant forward areas. The TBFDS configured  
9 CH-53 can refuel aircraft at FARPs or refuel diesel engine ground vehicles and equipment. This  
10 system is installed and operated by aircrew personnel. It contains three 800 gallon tanks, for a  
11 maximum storage capacity of 2,400 gallons.

12 **The Aviation Refueling Capability**

13 The ARC (D0210) is a self-propelled 5,000 gallons commercial refueler modified for Marine  
14 Corps use. The ARC provides a mobile aviation refueling capability to the MAW. The ARC has  
15 been procured through a General Services Administration contract. The fielding of the ARC and  
16 a subsequent off road aviation refueling system enable the Marine Corps to phase the aged M970  
17 semi-trailer out of the inventory. The M970 was fielded in the 1970s, with a follow on buy in  
18 1994, and is experiencing readiness problems. The ARC provides the M970 basic capabilities  
19 with several technological advancements, however the ARC has limited off-road capabilities.  
20 Therefore each MAW must still maintain three M970 per MWSS.

21 **JOINT SERVICE INTEROPERABILITY**

22 Joint support to the MAGTF may include providing or receiving fuel support from other Services,  
23 foreign forces, or commercial sources. The MAGTF command element (CE) is responsible for  
24 coordinating bulk fuel support for the MAGTF. Joint bulk fuel interoperability is addressed in  
25 Joint Pub 4-03, *Joint Bulk Petroleum and Water Doctrine*.

26 **US Navy Ship-to-Shore Systems**

27 Initial phases of amphibious or maritime prepositioning force operations may require bulk fuel  
28 delivery from ship-to-shore. Both amphibious ships and maritime prepositioning ships squadrons  
29 (MPSRONs) employ floating hose lines to provide bulk fuel issue via ship-to-shore operations.  
30 Additionally, the OPDS can be employed to support and sustain MAGTF or JTF operations  
31 ashore.

32 ***Amphibious Assault Bulk Fuel System (AABFS)***

33 The AABFS provides a fuel line from the supplying ship to the high water mark ashore where the  
34 fuel lines are connected to shore-based bulk fuel systems of the landing force. The AABFS  
35 consists of buoyant, 6-inch (diameter) reinforced rubber hose lines up to 10,000 feet in length.  
36 Two or more buoyant lines can be connected to achieve greater distances between the ship and  
37 the shoreline. However, they require floating booster stations to do fuel transfer when the  
38 distance is more than 5,000 feet. Buoyant hose systems are employed to support the initial phases  
39 of amphibious landings. An AABFS can be installed in 4 to 6 hours under favorable surf  
40 conditions.

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**Table 3-1. I MEF/II MEF Bulk Fuel Equipment**

Unit	AAFS	TAFDS	HERS	500-Gal Drums	Pump SIXCON	Tank SIXCON	M970	TPLM
FSSG	8	0	0	56	~52	188	20	2
MWSS F/W (2)	0	12	4	In HERS	4	18	20	0
MWSS R/W (2)	0	8	14	In HERS	2	12	20	0
TOTAL	8	20	18	56	~58	218	60	2

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3 *Legend: ~ (approximately)*4 **OPDS**

5 The OPDS is designed to discharge petroleum products to USMC AAFS, US Army tactical  
6 petroleum terminals (TPTs), or US Army inland petroleum distribution system (IPDS) pipelines.  
7 The OPDS can be installed up to 4 statute miles offshore and supports ship-to-shore fuel  
8 replenishment rates of up to 1.2 million gallons per day (based on a 20-hour operating day). The  
9 OPDS can produce delivery rates of 1,000 GPM.

10 If the ship standoff distance is less than 2 statute miles, dual lines can be used which results in  
11 faster product transfer.

12 The OPDS includes the initial fuel tanker (ship) that provides the initial delivery of fuel (up to 15  
13 million gallons) and the mooring apparatus for itself and follow-on tankers. The OPDS employs  
14 either a 4 point moor or a single anchor leg mooring with surface buoy to allow the ship to moor  
15 and “weather vane” in the prevailing winds in a 360-degree arc.

16 The system is installed by Military Sealift Command civilian crews with the assistance of naval  
17 support personnel. Besides underwater divers and support personnel from an amphibious  
18 construction battalion, the system requires side-loadable warping tugs and/or powered or non-  
19 powered causeway sections to conduct the installation.

20 **US Army Petroleum Systems**

21 Theater support may be provided from US Army fuel sources. Fuel support, which includes  
22 interface with Marine Corps TFSs, must be planned and coordinated in advance. The selection of  
23 specific systems depends on the projected requirements. The US Army theater fuel manager  
24 coordinates fuel delivery requirements. When operating with the US Air Force, the US Army can  
25 airdrop fuel in quantities up to 10,000 gallons in support of operating forces. Fuel support  
26 equipment employed may include TPTs, IPDS, or line haul vehicles.

27 **US Air Force Air-based Petroleum Systems**

28 Refueler aircraft and aircraft equipped with aerial bulk fuel delivery systems (ABFDS) may be  
29 required to support MAGTF operations. Support capability ranges from air delivery of packaged  
30 fuel (500-gallon collapsible drums) to bulk fuel pumped from transport aircraft or aircraft internal  
31 tanks. See table 3-2. Wet-wing refueling/defueling methods may be prescribed for special

1 mission support operations. These methods may range from the transfer of jet fuel from a  
2 delivery aircraft to receiving tactical storage systems or into a receiving aircraft.

3 **Table 3-2. Aircraft Fuel Delivery Capability**

Type Aircraft	500-Gal Drum Delivery Model and Gallon Capacity	Wet-Wing Delivery Model and Gallon Capacity
C-130	5,000	4,400
C-141	9,000	12,500
C-5A/B	27,000	29,000

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## CHAPTER 4. BULK FUEL PLANNING

Normally, bulk fuel capabilities are spread throughout the MAGTF. This is especially true of bulk fuel distribution capabilities. But with the smaller forces of today, there is often a benefit to consolidating the bulk fuel assets. For example, if a mobile refueler was controlled by a central organization, it could be used to support several units and would be used to the maximum extent possible. This would not be true if each unit had its own mobile refueler. The MAGTF has also provided central organizations within the ACE and the CSSE for its bulk liquids storage requirements.

To be effective, the overall bulk fuel effort needs to be planned and coordinated at the MAGTF level as early as possible. The planning and coordination effort must continue throughout the operation.

### PLANNING REQUIREMENTS FOR BULK FUEL

Planning for bulk fuel support can be a complex and challenging task. Time, space, distances, terrain, resources, and the operating environment are all planning factors that have to be considered. There are six major elements of bulk fuel planning requirements, sourcing and procurement, transportation, storage, distribution, and equipment.

#### Requirements

Determining bulk fuel requirements is one of the most important planning elements for bulk fuel support. Requirements have to be determined before any of the other elements can be effectively considered. Requirements will be the main factor in deciding equipment, personnel, and stockage objectives.

#### Sourcing and Procurement

Determining the source and provider of bulk fuel stocks to the MAGTF or Marine forces varies greatly depending on the situation. Before deploying, the planner needs to coordinate fuel sources and establish resupply procedures.

#### Transportation

Planning for bulk fuel transportation involves movement of fuel from the fuel source to the Marine Corps bulk fuel sites. This is usually a wholesale function that will be arranged in coordination with the JPO, MAGTF fuels officer, and the theatre area support command. Transportation methods include ships, railcars, tank trucks, pipeline, and aircraft.

#### Storage

Planning for bulk fuel storage requires a consideration of requirements, stockage objectives, and the frequency of resupply. The joint commander prescribes bulk fuel supply levels for the theater in days of supply (DOS). Marine component and/or MAGTF commanders prescribe supply levels for Marine forces based on requirements and equipment availability. When operating in a

1 joint environment, the Marine Corps planners must plan for the supply levels of all organizations  
2 that it may be supporting.

### 3 **Distribution**

4 Distribution consists of transporting fuel from the bulk storage site to the using units. Distribution  
5 can also be called the retail end of the transportation system.

### 6 **Equipment**

7 The bulk fuel equipment required to support the mission is based on the other five elements for  
8 bulk fuel planning. Planning for bulk fuel equipment must include both stationary and mobile  
9 bulk fuel equipment.

## 10 **PLANNING CONSIDERATIONS**

11 The bulk fuel supply system must be designed according the mission, terrain, and climate. The  
12 planner must consider the following:

- 13 • The capability of installations and/or unit (to include host nation) to provide the required  
14 support.
- 15 • The time to construct an operational bulk fuel system.
- 16 • The requirements for bulk fuel storage facilities, offshore unloading facilities,  
17 pipeline/hoseline, and distribution points.
- 18 • The availability of bulk fuel units and other units needed to construct, install, operate, and  
19 maintain the bulk fuel system.
- 20 • The terrain, since this impacts both the ability to install the bulk fuel system and fuel usage  
21 factors.

## 22 **PLANNING FOR JOINT BULK FUEL OPERATIONS**

23 The supported combatant commander and/or the joint commander is responsible for the overall  
24 planning of bulk fuel logistical support. The unified or joint command plan is the basis for all  
25 subordinate bulk fuel support plans. This plan establishes concepts, objectives, assigns missions,  
26 and allocates available resources. Operation plans submitted to the joint staff will include a  
27 petroleum appendix to the logistics annex in the format prescribed in Chairman of the Joint  
28 Chiefs of Staff Manual 3122.03A, Joint Operation Planning and Execution System (JOPES),  
29 Volume II, Planning Formats and Guidance. Once the concept is approved by the joint  
30 commander, the Service components then prepare the implementing bulk fuel support plan.  
31 During operations, the joint staff and the Service bulk fuel planners revise the basic plans as  
32 required to support the mission.

### 33 **Army Petroleum Group**

34 Normally, the Army petroleum group or designated dominant Service is responsible for theater  
35 bulk fuel planning and the theater inland petroleum distribution plan. This planning is done in  
36 concert with the component Services' bulk fuel plans. The theater inland petroleum distribution  
37 plan is prepared and published as an annex to the theater logistic support plan.

## 1 **Compatibility**

2 During joint operations, the compatibility between the Services' bulk fuel systems is a key factor.  
3 Compatibility must be addressed during the planning cycle with emphasis on the following  
4 interfaces:

- 5 • Ship-to-shore offload facilities.
- 6 • Land-based distribution systems and mobile refueling equipment.

## 7 **MARINE CORPS BULK FUEL PLANNING**

8 The Marine Corps must maintain the ability to deploy rapidly to a variety of environments and  
9 tactical situations. Once in place, our forces must be able to operate with a full spectrum of bulk  
10 fuel support. A key factor to successful bulk fuel planning is early coordination between the fuel  
11 planners and the operators. To develop an effective fuel plan, the planners must have a good  
12 understanding of concept of operations and the tactical equipment being used.

### 13 **Determine Requirements**

14 The first step is to collect fuel requirement estimate data from each element of the MAGTF so the  
15 planner can get an estimate of the fuel requirements for Marine forces. While this is not intended  
16 to be an exact figure, it does need to be as accurate as possible because of the large impact fuel  
17 requirements have on other planning elements.

### 18 ***Automated Systems***

19 Data provided by automated systems must be validated.

### 20 ***Time Phasing***

21 An equally important function of bulk fuel requirements identification is time phasing. Bulk fuel  
22 requirements must be time-phased to coordinate transportation, storage, and distribution. Time  
23 phased requirements begin with a determination of daily requirements in the objective area. This  
24 includes daily demand, storage capacity, throughput capability, and time delay from initial  
25 request until delivery.

### 26 ***Methods of Computing Fuel Requirements***

27 All MAGTF elements are responsible for estimating their fuel requirements and submitting them  
28 in a timely manner. Fuel requirements should be computed at the staff level based on historical  
29 data, equipment density, time, and operational tempo. Fuel planners need to provide specific  
30 guidance to the units on the procedures to be followed. The guidance should provide data  
31 concerning hours-per-day, gallons per hour, resupply times, DOS on hand, and operational  
32 tempo. The bulk fuel staff officers will review requirements submissions for accuracy.

33 Most units in the Fuel community have developed automated tools such as spreadsheets to assist  
34 in the fuel planning. These tools should be available from the MEF bulk liquids sections or the  
35 Marine Corps Detachment, Fort Lee, Virginia.

36 Aviation fuel requirements are computed using aircraft characteristic manuals. . This method  
37 takes into account the operational tempo, sortie rates, sortie lengths, and fuel rates for each type  
38 of aircraft. It is also recommended that aviation fuel requirements be computed at the staff level  
39 based on the aircraft density and the operational tempo provided from the G-3/S-3. The bulk fuel

1 staff officers will review requirements submissions for accuracy.

## 2 **Notional MAGTF Bulk Fuel Requirements**

3 Notional fuel requirements are often used during planning, especially before an equipment list has  
4 been generated or compiled. Notional fuel requirements are based on established fuel  
5 consumption rates and hours per day for equipment in participating units.

6 Notional requirements are for initial planning only and should never be used for detailed planning  
7 or for procuring fuel stocks. Table 4-1 is the notional fuel requirements for various MAGTFs.  
8 The data is from MAGTF II, Logistics Automated Information System.

9 **Table 4-1. MAGTF Notional Fuel Requirements (Gallons)**

Force Size	Daily Fuel Requirements (Assault Rate)	Daily Fuel Requirements (Sustained Rate)
MEF	1,204,856	950,010
MEB	563,868	443,738
MEU	63,842	48,145

## 10 **Sourcing and Procurement**

11 Marine planners must be aware of the various agencies and procedures for procuring bulk fuel.  
12 The source of bulk fuel procurement is as varied as the possible missions and objectives that  
13 could be assigned a MAGTF. After analyzing fuel requirements, the Marine planner turns to the  
14 theater petroleum manager or joint staff to coordinate fuel sourcing and transportation

## 15 **Transportation**

16 Transportation planning may include commercial contracted hauling, railway tankers, shipping,  
17 other Service assets and pipeline availability. MAGTF planners should look at all available  
18 transportation assets in the area and plan for adequate tactical transportation assets to be deployed  
19 in a timely manner. These transportation assets are also key elements in determining the fuel  
20 support equipment and personnel required. If the fuel source is close and transportation is readily  
21 available, the planner may not have to provide as much storage capacity. If the lines of  
22 communication (LOCs) are long and resupply is not timely, the planner may have to increase the  
23 stockage objective which means storage equipment will have to be increased.

24 Transportation often represents the greatest challenge to the logistical field due to the high  
25 demand for transportation assets.

## 26 **Storage**

27 The fuel planner must consider storage and distribution assets required and personnel to operate  
28 and maintain them. Storage requirements are based on the anticipated usage by a supported unit  
29 and the stockage objective as established by the commander. Stock levels to be stored will  
30 depend on consumption rates, resupply methods, transportation assets, and distribution systems.  
31 Storage methods, land requirements, and security are the key factors in storage planning. It is  
32 important that the bulk fuel storage equipment be scheduled for delivery to the operating area in



1 order to allow for installation of the storage systems in time to support the transportation  
2 schedule.

### 3 **Distribution**

4 Distribution is often the most difficult of the bulk fuel missions. Equipment, time-phased  
5 requirements, and distance are the main factors affecting distribution. Distribution problems will  
6 normally become more complex the longer the operation, the greater the consumption rates, and  
7 the farther inland the MAGTF goes. Resupply concepts of unit versus supply point distribution  
8 will also affect the type and amount of resources needed to support bulk fuel distribution to the  
9 MAGTF.

## 10 **WAR RESERVE REQUIREMENTS AND STOCKS**

### 11 **Bulk Petroleum War Reserve Requirements**

12 To ensure the supply of petroleum products in the initial phases of a contingency, the unified  
13 commands and the Services develop requirements to size petroleum war reserve stocks properly.  
14 The BPWRR is based on the need to support specific contingency operations until normal LOCs  
15 are established and resupply arrangements are in place. The Joint Staff develops guidelines,  
16 approved by the Office of the Secretary of Defense, on DOS and appropriate assumptions on  
17 secure sources of resupply. These guidelines are provided to the Services and combatant  
18 commanders and serve as the basis for determining requirements. Using these guidelines, the  
19 Services develop and apply structured, auditable methods of computing BPWRR for each  
20 approved theater/command OPLAN.

### 21 **Bulk Petroleum War Reserve Stocks**

22 BPWRS is the on hand product designated to satisfy BPWRR. This stockage is in addition to the  
23 peacetime operating stock for each location. Commanders of unified commands are authorized to  
24 release or reallocate BPWRS in emergency situations. BPWRS are usually stored in theater and  
25 are monitored by the appropriate combatant commander JPO/SAPO.

### 26 **MEF BPWRR**

27 The MEF computes BPWRR based on the time period, contingency location, and type of product  
28 required. The Joint Staff also establishes prepositioning objectives for regions and areas  
29 worldwide in the form of combat days of petroleum supply to be maintained in accordance with  
30 DODD 4140.25. These objectives consider such factors as wartime tanker sailing times, in  
31 theater distribution times, attrition factors, and appropriate safety levels. As a result, the amount  
32 of bulk fuel BPWRR (DOS) that the MEF can register varies depending on the theater in which  
33 the MEF is operating. The MEF will usually have less than 60 DOS of bulk fuel as  
34 accompanying supplies or BPWRS, and resupply will begin at a date earlier than D+60.

### 35 ***Consolidated Defense Fuel Support Points (DFSPs)***

36 The DESC consolidates Military Service BPWRR for storage at DFSPs and assigns  
37 maximum and minimum storage levels in the inventory management plan (IMP). In  
38 consonance with approved stock fund operating plans and budgets, it is possible that the

1 entire amount of BPWRS that the MEF is authorized in a particular theater may not be sourced.  
2 If the Marine forces have a bulk fuel shortfall, Marine component commander will notify the  
3 appropriate unified commander's JPO. The document that identifies the amount of BPWRS that  
4 are allocated to the MEF is the DESC IMP. The IMP contains the MEF BPWRR by location and  
5 identifies the BPWRS that are sourced to meet that requirement. The Marine component G-4 and  
6 MEF bulk liquids section maintain current copies of IMP, and it is also available via the classified  
7 SECRET Internet Protocol Router Network (SIPRNet).

8 ***Prepositioned BPWRS***

9 DESC will attempt to preposition BPWRS at the terminal location nominated by the Military  
10 Service. Where storage or operational conditions are limited, DESC will locate stocks, at the  
11 most appropriate alternate terminal, following coordination with the unified command and the  
12 requiring Military Service. Malpositioned stocks shall be counted against the total BPWRR.  
13 However, these stocks may not be counted as days of support available at the point of planned use  
14 during assessment of operation plans capability.

# 1           **CHAPTER 5. BULK FUEL THEATER OPERATIONS**

2   In theater operations, the MAGTF commander may be part of a developed or undeveloped  
3 theater. Bulk fuel support concerns and requirements are addressed according to the development  
4 stage of a theater. The three main objectives of bulk fuel support are supplying fuel when needed,  
5 distributing fuel where needed, and providing fuel resupply on time. When the MAGTF is  
6 involved in a sustained operation ashore, bulk fuel operations are deployed in three phases:  
7 development, lodgment, and buildup.

## 8           **DEVELOPED THEATER**

9   In a developed theater, an existing bulk fuel distribution system is usually available to help  
10 support Marine Corps forces. The existing system helps offset the requirements for Marine Corps  
11 TFSs. A developed theater usually consists of tanker unloading facilities, terminals, pipelines,  
12 pump stations, dispensing facilities, and rail tank car facilities.

13 Actual procedures for accomplishing the delivery of bulk fuel to the user will vary between  
14 theaters. These facilities will normally be operated by civilian personnel or the theater Army.  
15 However, Marine Corps bulk fuel units could be tasked with operating the facilities, particularly  
16 during the early phases of operations before the theater Army has all its assigned forces.

### 17          **Pipeline System**

18 In a developed theater, the pipeline system usually extends into the Army corps rear with hoseline  
19 extensions into Army corps storage sites and Marine Corps force combat service support areas  
20 (FCSSAs) and airfields. When practical, branch lines from the pipeline are used to supply major  
21 users such as Marine Corps CSSDs and MWSSs. If required (and if available), the  
22 pipeline/hoseline system is supplemented by military tank trucks and commercial vehicles.

### 23          **Theater Stockage Objectives**

24 In a developed theater, most of the theater stockage objectives are usually held in fixed facility  
25 storage tanks. This reduces the quantity of bulk fuel that the Marine Corps would need to store in  
26 tactical bulk fuel systems. Theater stockage objectives will vary between theaters depending on  
27 planned operational contingency anticipated usage rates. Marine forces stockage objective held  
28 in tactical fuel systems will depend on resupply times from theater storage and the daily fuel  
29 requirement.

## 30          **UNDEVELOPED THEATER**

31 Providing fuel support in an undeveloped theater presents many problems not faced in a  
32 developed area. TFSs have to be brought into the area and mooring facilities, storage facilities,  
33 pipeline, and/or hoselines have to be installed. During the early stages of an operation, forces  
34 have to rely on their organic equipment and personnel. As the operation progresses, additional  
35 equipment and personnel are brought in to expand the fuel system. A TFS capable of supporting  
36 the mission is developed in the area when practical. Initial fuel storage facilities should be  
37 expanded when possible so floating storage (tankers or barges) holding reserve fuel for shore  
38 units may be released.

1 Any available commercial or host nation support will be considered for use as part of the bulk  
2 fuel system. Use of these systems and their bulk fuel products should be obtained through DESC  
3 contracts, local purchase procedures, or through host nation support agreements.

#### 4 **Minimum Bulk Fuel Stockage Objective**

5 The minimum bulk fuel stockage objective for the undeveloped theater is 15 DOS. This includes  
6 bulk fuel stored in tactical equipment and offshore shipping or floating dumps. Fuel is distributed  
7 from beach storage by hoseline, tank vehicles, helicopters, and any other means available. As the  
8 fuel system is developed, it will consist of hoses and collapsible storage tanks. The primary  
9 method of receiving bulk fuel in the undeveloped theater will be ship-to-shore operations using  
10 Navy shipping with the AABFS or the OPDS, tanker vehicles, barges, or any other suitable  
11 transportation asset.

#### 12 **Tactical Hoseline**

13 Large users such as tactical airfields are supplied by tactical hoseline when possible. The tactical  
14 hoseline and/or pipeline will extend as far forward as possible, usually into the Army corps rear  
15 area, to reduce mobile transport requirements. Although hoses are the most rapid and easily  
16 deployed system, a more permanent system is normally installed if the system must stay in place  
17 for long periods. When possible, the rear area communications zone, corps support, and force  
18 service support areas will be established. In the early stages, the theater may only consist of a  
19 JTF support area, MEF forward area with CSSDs, or Army division support area, and later an  
20 Army corps support area. The rear area communications zone may never be formed depending  
21 on the duration of the operation.

#### 22 **Air Lines of Communications**

23 In the early stages of an undeveloped theater, there is often a requirement to support forces with  
24 airlines of communications (ALOC). The Air Force Air Mobility Command provides this  
25 support with C-130, C-141, C-5A, and C-17 aircraft. Requirements for ALOC support are  
26 coordinated through channels established in the OPLANs. If the forces advance using air assets,  
27 then normally the ALOC is required to support them. The following types of aerial bulk fuel  
28 support are available from the AMC:

#### 29 ***Packaged Products***

30 The 5-gallon fuel cans and 55-gallon drums may be internally loaded in cargo aircraft for delivery  
31 to airfields near the units being supported.

#### 32 ***Airdrop***

33 When suitable aircraft loading and unloading areas are not available, fuel may be airdropped or  
34 delivered by low-altitude parachute extraction systems. 500 gallon collapsible drum can be  
35 transported internally or externally to deliver fuel

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1 **Aerial Bulk Fuel Delivery System (ABFDS)**

2 The Air Force and Marine Corps has aircraft specially equipped with internal collapsible tanks  
3 and a pump for deliveries of bulk fuels into areas where suitable landing sites are available.

4 **Wet Wing Refueling**

5 The C-130, C-141, C-5A, and C-17 aircraft have internal pumps for defueling. Using Marine  
6 Corps or Army ground equipment (hoses and nozzles), these aircraft can deliver aviation fuel into  
7 Marine Corps or Army storage containers located at suitable landing areas. Refer to table 3-2,  
8 page 3-3.

9 **Tactical Bulk Fuel Delivery System**

10 This system is installed and operated by aircrew personnel. It contains three 800 gallons tanks,  
11 for a maximum storage capacity of 2,400 gallons. It can be used at forward sites to dispense fuel  
12 to other aircrafts or ground vehicles.

13 **PHASES OF BULK FUEL OPERATIONS**

14 During sustained operations ashore, tactical bulk fuel equipment must be deployed to provide  
15 support to the MAGTF. To best support the MAGTF, bulk fuel operations should be conducted  
16 in three phases: development, lodgment, and build-up.

17 **Development**

18 Due to the high consumption and limited bulk fuel capabilities, the development phase is often  
19 the most critical phase of bulk fuel operations. The commander and staff need to look closely at  
20 the fuel range of the vehicles going ashore, the time-phased resupply available, and the equipment  
21 available to support the MAGTF during this phase. The development phase may be initiated as  
22 an airborne, airmobile, amphibious assault, or an uncontested debarkation at a friendly port.

23 The first units of the MAGTF entering an operational area will probably carry only enough bulk  
24 fuel for immediate purposes. Resupply of these units must begin rapidly. During initial  
25 deployment, fuel will probably be provided in prepackaged containers (drums and cans), 500 gal  
26 tanks, SIXCONs, and mobile refuelers and delivered to the AOA by surface or air from offshore  
27 amphibious ships. These items must be continually recovered and sent back to the source to be  
28 reused. All bulk fuel resources within the AOA must be considered and exploited during this  
29 phase.

30 **Lodgment**

31 The lodgment phase involves the establishment and expansion of bulk fuel transportation,  
32 storage, and distribution systems. Shore basing the MAGTF, arrival of AFOE, and sustainment  
33 operations will increase the demand beyond the capabilities of those systems deployed during the  
34 development phase. Larger bulk fuel systems will have to be established ashore to handle the  
35 requirements of the MAGTF.

## 1 **Build-up**

2 Once the lodgement phase is established, build-up of the bulk fuel systems can begin. The  
3 mission and the commander's intent as to required stockage objective on the ground will dictate  
4 the final requirement for the bulk fuel systems.

## 5 **BULK FUEL OPERATIONS WITHIN THE MAGTF**

6 The MAGTF Master Plan states that future Marine Corps forces will be lighter with additional  
7 emphasis on expeditionary capabilities. The emphasis on these capabilities include a refinement  
8 of over-the-horizon amphibious assault capabilities, increased flexibility of maritime  
9 prepositioning forces, fast and flexible schemes of maneuver for the ground combat element  
10 (GCE), and development of an ACE composed predominantly of short takeoff and vertical  
11 landing aircraft.

12 Expeditionary operations will require compatible concepts of bulk fuel support. One concept that  
13 may not be compatible is the "large footprint on the beach." This concept takes time to establish  
14 and it limits flexibility. If bulk fuel supply operations are to be conducted with only a minimal  
15 buildup ashore, the emphasis should be on proper planning and operational management.  
16 Employing the most compatible concept along with accurate planning and efficient operations  
17 should ensure that units ashore should not run out of fuel nor should they be saddled with excess  
18 bulk fuel stocks and equipment.

19 The MAGTF may require a partial system, complete system or multiple fuel systems. When  
20 using a partial system, commanders need to ensure they have adequate equipment to perform the  
21 unit's bulk fuel mission. For example, if the mission only requires one tank farm from an AAFS  
22 but also has a requirement or possibility for ship-to shore operations, the beach unloading  
23 assembly must also be taken.

## 24 **Command Element**

25 The CE in conjunction with the CSSE plans and coordinates bulk fuel support for the MAGTF.  
26 The CE will coordinate the MAGTF bulk fuel concept with the theater plan to ensure that the  
27 MAGTF is prepared to meet any special bulk fuel tasking from the theater commander.  
28 Additional tasks for CE could include such things as coordinating area support to other Services.

29 Normally, the CE will consolidate all the MAGTF fuel requirements and submit them to the  
30 appropriate component headquarters or the JTF. Even though daily bulk fuel management is  
31 done within the other MAGTF elements, the CE should ensure economy of effort for bulk fuel  
32 support. The CE is also responsible for setting the MAGTF bulk fuel stockage objective and for  
33 allocation of bulk fuel within the MAGTF if requirements exceed availability, this is usually done  
34 by a bulk petroleum allocation report (POLALOT), see appendix B. The CE will ensure that all  
35 bulk fuel reporting requirements established in the OPLANs are met.

## 36 **Combat Service Support Element**

37 The CSSE is responsible for bulk fuel support and daily management of bulk fuel equipment with  
38 the exception of tactical aviation fuel systems. In order for the CSSE to carry out this  
39 responsibility, exercise and operational plans should address procedures and coordination  
40 requirements for fuel support in detail. The CSSE then consolidates the requirements and passes  
41 them to the CE for sourcing. Depending on the size of the MAGTF and the size of the  
42 geographical area, the CE may task the CSSE with sourcing the consolidated requirements with

1 theater agency. MAGTF elements that receive direct fuel support from the CSSE must  
2 coordinate their fuel and support requirements (fuel deliveries, storage, etc.).  
3 Normally, bulk fuel management is the responsibility of CSSE G-3/S-3 and G-4 supply support.  
4 CSSE bulk fuel units can range from a complete bulk fuel company (or companies) to a small  
5 section, depending on the mission.

## 6 **Aviation Combat Element**

7 The ACE is responsible for bulk fuel support and daily management of bulk fuel for all tactical  
8 aviation fuel systems at the airfields and FARPs. These responsibilities are performed by the  
9 ACE G-4/S-4 or within the airfield operations division of the MWSS. The ACE provides bulk  
10 fuel support to all organizations within the boundaries of the airfield. This includes support to  
11 other Services' aircraft if directed in the theater bulk fuel plan.

12 For ground equipment fuel support, the ACE is primarily equipped to be self-sufficient. If  
13 ground fuel support requirements within the boundaries of an airfield exceed the ACE  
14 capabilities, the CSSE should provide any additional support requested.

15 Bulk fuel sourcing and support procedures for the ACE airfields vary depending on the situation.  
16 If the airfields receive bulk fuel directly from theater sources, the CE may task the ACE with  
17 coordinating its fuel requirements directly with the theater agency. If the airfield receives fuel  
18 support from the CSSE, the ACE will coordinate its fuel requirements directly with the CSSE.

## 19 **Ground Combat Element**

20 The GCE is primarily a bulk fuel user, not a provider. However, the GCE does have mobile fuel  
21 equipment to provide DS to division units. The GCE coordinates fuel support requirements with  
22 the CSSE that is providing DS. Normally the GCE will use SIXCONs and mobile refuelers for  
23 fuel support to its end users (i.e., tanks, vehicles, etc.). If GCE fuel requirements exceed the  
24 GCE's fuel support capability, the GCE will request fuel support from the CSSE.

## 25 **BULK FUEL SUPPORT FOR THE MAGTF**

### 26 **Resupply**

27 The MAGTF bulk fuel distribution system is a push-pull resupply system. Bulk fuel is moved  
28 forward (pushed) throughout the MAGTF bulk fuel system based on storage space available and  
29 anticipated customer demands. The basic principle is to keep storage tanks full. The customers  
30 request (pull) fuel from the bulk fuel system based on their demands. The CE monitors the push  
31 and pull sides of the resupply system to ensure fuel movement throughout the system is  
32 coordinated with the operation plans. For example, if a CSSD with a fuel storage system moves  
33 to another location, its fuel stocks are drawn down so it can move its equipment. In that case, the  
34 CE would not push fuel to the CSSD empty storage. During the drawdown, the CE would ensure  
35 continuous fuel support the units being supported by that CSSD.

### 36 **Bulk Fuel Storage**

37 Normally, bulk fuel for MAGTF operations is stored ashore in tactical fuel systems. A bulk fuel  
38 company can install and operate four AAFS with a storage capacity of 4,480,000.

1 Aircraft are not normally brought ashore until adequate fuel stocks are available. However,  
2 refueling operations may commence by relying on afloat storage once the ship-to-shore pumping  
3 rate meets the daily requirement. Another option is to have the aircraft refuel from ships or  
4 theater airfields not in the AOA, thus reducing the shore-based requirement.

5 At issue is the tradeoff between start dates for shore-based air operations and the risk of a fuel  
6 cutoff. Any interruption in sea-based fuel support would create a fuel shortage without adequate  
7 fuel ashore.

## 8 **MARITIME PREPOSITIONING SHIPS**

9 The rapid offloading and availability of bulk fuel are essential to MPS operations. Notionally,  
10 each MPSRON currently carries four AAFS, five TAFDS, and six HERS embarked in 8x8x20  
11 foot containers. The TFSs are spread-loaded among the various ships so that each ship has a bulk  
12 fuel capability. They must be established ashore before the ships can offload their cargo fuel.  
13 Therefore, the AAFS and TAFDS are embarked in a manner that allows them to be one of the  
14 first items of equipment offloaded. MPS have the capability to carry cargo bulk fuel. Depending  
15 on the type of ship, each MPSRON can carry up to 2.5 million gallons of JP5, and up to 114,000  
16 gallons of motor gasoline (MOGAS).

## 17 **Fuel Offload**

18 The MPS can offload fuel through a single 6-inch hoseline at 600 GPM from a distance of up to 2  
19 miles. They can also offload fuel at pierside or instream. At the flow rate of 600 GPM, it takes  
20 approximately 36 hours to offload the JP-5 and 5 hours to offload the MOGAS from a single ship.  
21 For the offload of both MOGAS and JP-5, separate lines and storage facilities are required. Fuel  
22 is pumped ashore through the ABLTS that is carried aboard the MPS. The system consists of  
23 10,000 feet of 6-inch diameter hose mounted on a powered hose reel. For installation, the hose  
24 reel is loaded on a landing craft utility or a side-loadable warping tug and is normally installed  
25 from the beach to the ship. The shore end of the hose is connected to the AAFS with the beach  
26 interface unit supplied by the amphibious construction battalion. Under favorable conditions, the  
27 hoseline system can be installed in 8 to 10 hours and retrieved in 10 to 16 hours.

## 28 **Unloading Fuel Systems**

29 Early unloading of the fuel systems allows for installation to begin while the rest of the  
30 equipment is being offloaded. All fuel-consuming equipment being offloaded should be filled on  
31 the ships before offload. This will reduce the immediate need for shore-based fuel support.  
32 Mobile refuelers should also be filled before offloading so they can provide required fuel support  
33 ashore. Once the ship has offloaded its cargo, it can then be positioned to deploy the hose reel  
34 and offload its cargo fuel to the AAFS. In the time it takes to offload the equipment from the ship  
35 and deploy the hose reel, the AAFS installation should be to the point that it can start receiving  
36 fuel. During site selection for MPS, operations planners need to consider terrain requirements  
37 and locations for the bulk fuel systems and the ship-to-shore fuel transfer.

## 38 **BULK FUEL REPORTS**

39 Bulk fuel reporting requirements and procedures will vary depending on the exercise and/or  
40 operation. Appendixes B and C are examples of bulk fuel reports that may be required of the



- 1 MAGTF in a joint environment. The example in Appendix B is from the Defense Message
- 2 System (DMS).

# 1           **CHAPTER 6. BULK FUEL INVENTORY MANAGEMENT**

2   The management of fuel inventories involves a full range of actions associated with  
3   orders/requisitions, receipt, transfer, issue, and storage of fuel. Bulk fuel support must be planned  
4   so product quantities are maintained to support planned operations. The major objectives of an  
5   inventory management program are to—

- 6   • Ensure that all orders, receipts, transfers, issues, losses, gains, and adjustments are properly  
7    documented.
- 8   • Maintain accountable records on all products.
- 9   • Ensure that an audit trail of fuel transactions is performed.
- 10  • Maintain control over the physical environment to ensure that proper product storage can take  
11    place with minimal losses.
- 12  • Ensure that fuel losses are held to a minimum

## 13           **REFERENCES**

14   The requirements and procedures for the accountability of petroleum products are in DODM  
15   4140.25-M. Control and Accountability of Petroleum and Related Products and Coal. These  
16   references provide policy and guidance for the accountability of petroleum products by Marine  
17   Corps activities.

18   Regardless of the type of fuel equipment being used, units must maintain accounting procedures  
19   and records as accurately as possible. This applies to tactical situations using mobile refueling  
20   equipment and TFSs. Accounting for fuel in fixed facilities and commercial mobile equipment is  
21   fairly accurate. However, when bulk fuel units perform a physical inventory for TFSs, the  
22   physical inventory becomes more difficult and less accurate due to the use of collapsible tanks  
23   and miles of tactical hose that may be employed. The key to more accurate accounting for TFSs  
24   is for commanders to ensure that local bulk fuel SOPs address unit procedures and requirements  
25   for fuel accountability when using TFSs.

## 26           **INVENTORY MANAGEMENT PROCEDURES**

27   DOD fuel is purchased and owned at the wholesale level by DESC for direct delivery to the  
28   customer. When the Service orders and receives fuel from a DFSP or a DFSC contract, a “sale”  
29   may take place if the fuel is transferred to single-user unit. If the fuel is transferred to multi-user  
30   unit and that unit or site holds DESC-owned (i.e., capitalized) fuel, a “sale” takes place once the  
31   fuel is issued into the individual piece of equipment or aircraft.

32   Whether a Service is holding wholesale or retail bulk fuel stocks, certain rules of accounting  
33   apply to all Services. All bulk fuel holding activities should maintain a property book or logbook  
34   inventory record and a physical inventory record. Property book records are an administrative  
35   (check book) record that provides an audit of all receipts, transfers, and issues and provide an  
36   estimate of the fuel inventory on hand. They are kept on a daily basis. Physical inventory is a  
37   physical measurement of the actual fuel on hand using volume correction to 60 degrees  
38   Fahrenheit. A physical inventory is conducted periodically (daily, weekly, monthly) depending  
39   on the situation. If the difference between the property book records and the physical inventory  
40   exceed the allowable loss/gain, it must be reported through the chain of command.

# 1 **FUEL ACCOUNTABILITY**

2 As with all supplies, the commander considers the accountability of bulk fuel essential.  
3 Commanders are also aware that procedures and requirements for bulk fuel accountability will  
4 vary depending on the operation, the type of fuel equipment being used, and the situation (i.e.,  
5 combat, training exercise, joint operations, etc.). To ensure proper and sound accounting  
6 procedures are being followed, the commander and staff need to ensure that accounting  
7 procedures are contained in operation plans and exercise letters of instruction.

8 However, due to the nature of fuel, certain losses will occur as a result of evaporation,  
9 transportation, storage, and handling. Allowable tolerances have been established for these losses  
10 and gains by the American Petroleum Institute (API) and adopted by the DOD. There are many  
11 variables involved in accounting procedures to be followed. However, the following procedures  
12 are common and apply to all bulk fuel operations.

- 13 • Access to all bulk fuel stocks must be controlled.
  - 14 • The quantity and quality of fuel receipts should be validated prior to off-loading.
  - 15 • The unit of measurement for all fuel receipts is the US gallon corrected for volume to 60  
16 degrees F.
  - 17 • Discrepancies must be documented and reported which are in excess of allowable  
18 losses/gains.
- 19 Only authorized personnel should make fuel issues.

## 20 **Reports**

21 Status reports, daily, weekly, monthly fuels issue reports, and monthly bulk fuel accounting  
22 summaries are used to maintain accountability of bulk fuel receipts, issues, and stocks on hand.

23 Report content should include the following:

- 24 • Opening and closing balances.
- 25 • Total issues.
- 26 • Total receipts.
- 27 • Physical inventory.
- 28 • Property book inventory.
- 29 • Loses/gains.
- 30 • Any other applicable information regarding accounting or operational capability.

31 Daily status reports are done per local commander's SOP. This normally will include the bulk  
32 petroleum contingency report (REPOL).

## 33 **REPOL**

34 See appendix D for an example of the REPOL.

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# 1           **CHAPTER 7. BULK FUEL QUALITY SURVEILLANCE**

2   Quality surveillance is the process of determining and maintaining the quality of petroleum and  
3   related products so that these products are suitable for their intended use. The quality of petroleum  
4   products is controlled at origin by the DESC. After receipt of the petroleum products, each Service is  
5   responsible for continued surveillance to maintain the quality of petroleum products.

## 6   **QUALITY SURVEILLANCE PROGRAM**

7   To meet specifications set by DOD, petroleum products undergo quality surveillance from time of  
8   purchase until used. The JPO, responsible to the theater commander, ensures there is a quality  
9   surveillance program within the command and monitors and assists Service components in this  
10  program. The theater Army command is responsible for setting up and maintaining a quality  
11  surveillance program to support theater Army users. Each Service component is responsible for  
12  establishing and maintaining a quality surveillance program for Service held petroleum stocks.

### 13  **Marine Corps Quality Surveillance Program**

14  A vigilant quality surveillance program implemented by properly trained personnel is necessary to  
15  protect the original product quality. The fuel systems of modern aircraft and ground vehicles will not  
16  function properly if fuel is contaminated with dirt, water, other fuel, or any foreign matter. Actions  
17  will be taken to ensure that the product conforms to established technical specifications. These  
18  actions include preventive maintenance of equipment, mandatory use of filter separators for aviation  
19  fuels (and highly recommended for ground fuels), daily recirculation and visual examination of the  
20  product, proper storage, handling, and drainage of water bottoms, and monitoring proper  
21  concentrations of additives. The MIL-STD 3004 and the NAVAIR 00-80T-109 are the approved  
22  references for quality surveillance.

### 23  **Bulk Fuel Personnel**

24  The bulk fuel officer (military occupational specialty (MOS) 1390) or the bulk fuel staff  
25  noncommissioned officer (MOS 1391) is responsible for establishing procedures that will ensure the  
26  quality of bulk fuel products that are stored and issued. All fuel handling personnel are responsible  
27  for following established procedures and ensuring they take the required steps to deliver clean fuel to  
28  vehicles and aircraft.

29  An effective quality surveillance program requires properly trained personnel. Every Marine involved  
30  in handling petroleum should be suitably trained in quality control. The activity having physical  
31  possession of a product is responsible for quality surveillance.

## 32  **PETROLEUM TESTING CAPABILITIES**

### 33  **Tactical Petroleum Laboratory, Medium**

34  Each TPLM is capable of conducting the full spectrum of fuel testing as required by the Marine  
35  Corps.

1 **Aviation Petroleum Test Kit**

2 **B2 Test Kit**

3 **Flash Point Test Kit**

4 **Combined Contaminated Fuel Detector Kit**

5 **Deterioration Limits**

6 Bulk fuel deteriorates when subject to long periods of storage. Therefore, it is important that bulk  
7 fuel be issued on a first-in, first-out basis or as quality surveillance indicates. Deterioration occurs  
8 when one or more characteristics of product changes to a level outside the specification limits.  
9 Examples of deterioration are weathering, oxidation, or loss of additives.

10 Deterioration limits are tolerances established to permit use of products that do not fully meet  
11 specifications. When petroleum products do not meet the deterioration limits, quality surveillance  
12 personnel report the facts and circumstances and recommend alternative use or disposition to the  
13 commanding officer. If appropriate, proposed recovery measures are also reported.

14 **Types of Tests**

15 Various types of fuel have critical properties and requirements that must be maintained.  
16 Tests determine a product’s physical and chemical properties. Each petroleum product has a  
17 specification that lists chemical and physical requirements of the fuel. The specifications listed  
18 in tables 7-1 and 7-2 are common government owned fuels in use by the military today.

19 **Table 7-1. Aviation Fuel Specifications**

AVIATION FUELS	JP-4	JP-5	JET A	JET A-1	JET B	JP-8	100/130
MIL- SPEC	MIL- DTL-5624	MIL-DTL- 5624	ASTM-D- 1655	ASTM-D- 1655	ASTM-D- 1655	MIL- DTL- 83133	MIL-G- 5572
NSN	9130-00- 256-8613	9130-00- 273-2379	9130-00- 359-2026	9130-00- 753-5026	9130-00- 111-7350	9130-00- 131-5816	9130-00- 179-1122
Density (lbs./gal)	6.4	6.8	6.8	6.7	6.4	6.7	6.0
Flash Point (xF)	-20	140	100	100	-20	100	-25
Freeze Point (xF)	-72	-51	-40	-53	-58	-53	-76
API Gravity (max)	57.0	48.0	51.0	51.0	57.0	51.0	
API Gravity (min)	45.0	36.0	37.0	37.0	45.0	37.0	-
NATO/ASCC Symbol	F-40	F-44	F-35	F-34	F-40	F-34	F-18
Specific Gravity (typical)	0.769	0.817	0.817	0.805	0.769	0.805	0.703
Vapor Pressure (psi)	2.0-3.0	-	-	2.0-3.0	-	3.0 max	-
Viscosity at -40xC, CS (est.)	3.6	16.5	15	15	3.6	15	1.2

<b>BTU per Gal. (min)</b>	115,000	120,000	119,000	119,000	115,000	119,000	109,000
<b>BTU per Lbs. (min)</b>	18,400	18,300	18,400	18,400	18,400	18,400	18,700
<b>FSII</b>	Yes	Yes	Optional	Optional	Optional	Yes	No
<b>Corrosion Inhibitor</b>	Yes	Yes	Permitted	Permitted	Permitted	Yes	Optional

1 **Table 7-2. Ground Fuel Specifications**

<b>Ground Fuels</b>	<b>Moter Gasoline</b>	<b>DF-1</b>	<b>DFM</b>	<b>DF-2</b>
<b>MIL-SPEC</b>	VV-G-190	A-A-52557	MIL-F-16884	A-A-52557
<b>NSN</b>	9130-00-264-6128	9130-00-286-5286	9140-00-273-2377	9140-00-286-5294
<b>Density (lb/gal)</b>	6.2	6.9	7.0	6.9
<b>Flash Point (xF)</b>	-30 (approx)	100	140	125
<b>Freeze Point (xF)</b>	-75 (approx)	41 (approx)	30	34 (approx)
<b>API Gravity (max)</b>	71	-		42
<b>API Gravity (min)</b>	47	-		33
<b>NATOIASCC Symbol</b>	F46/F49/F50	F-54	F-76	F-54
<b>Cetane Number</b>	-	45	45	45
<b>Cloud Point xf-max</b>	-	-60	30	Spec by user
<b>Pour Point xf-max</b>	-	Spec by user	20	Spec by user
<b>Viscosity min</b>	-	1.4cSt	1.8cSt	2.0cSt
<b>Viscosity max</b>	-	3.0cSt	4.5cSt	4.3cSt
<b>Sulfur % max</b>	0.10	0.5	1.00	0.5
<b>Operating Temp. Range</b>	-	-25 to 32	-	-
<b>Flash Point F-min</b>	-	-	140	-
<b>AF Reference</b>	TO 42B 1-1-1	TO 42B 1-1-1	TO 42B 1-1-1	TO 42B 1-1-1

2 **Correlation Testing**

3 Correlation samples are sent to a supporting laboratory once a month to verify the accuracy of local  
4 tests.

5 **Daily/Weekly Testing**

6 Fuel units conduct weekly/daily testing using the applicable test equipment and the CFD. All  
7 personnel in the MOS 1391, Petroleum Supply Specialist, are qualified to use the test kits.

8 **RECLAMATION**

9 Reclamation is the process of restoring or changing the quality of an unsuitable product to meet  
10 quality assurance specifications. Fuel can be reclaimed for use by downgrading, blending, purifying,  
11 or the removal of water.

12 Fuel that cannot be used for its intended purpose may be used as a lower grade of the same or similar  
13 product if it meets that product's specifications.

14 The most common causes of off-specification fuel are contamination and deterioration.  
15 Contamination occurs when one or more grades or types of products are inadvertently mixed, or a  
16 product contains foreign matter such as dirt, dust, rust, water, or emulsions. Once a product has been  
17 identified as being off-specification, the following reclamation procedures can be taken:

- 1 • Downgrading. Approval for an off-specification or contaminated product for other than its  
2 intended use.
- 3 • Blending. Predetermined quantities of two or more similar products are mixed to produce a  
4 petroleum product or intermediate grade or quality.
- 5 • Purification. The removal of contaminating agents by filtration or dehydration.
- 6 • Dehydration. The removal of water by a filtering or settling process. Water in most light  
7 products will settle out if allowed to stand undisturbed for 12 to 24 hours.
- 8 • Inhibiting. Adding or restoring additives.
- 9 • Disposal. As per local SOP.

## 10 **Captured Fuel**

11 Captured fuel should be exploited when ever possible to reduce the logistical burden, but only after  
12 testing by a qualified person. The intended use of captured fuel will dictate the extent of testing.

## 13 **SIGNIFICANCE OF MILITARY FUEL TESTS**

### 14 **Knock Values**

15 Knock values indicate whether a fuel will burn uniformly and evenly in a cylinder without preignition  
16 or detonation. The knock values are expressed as octane numbers for automotive type engine  
17 gasoline and as a combination of octane and performance numbers for aviation gasoline. These  
18 values are determined by comparing the knocking tendency of fuel samples to those of standard test  
19 fuels of known knock values in a standard test engine. Fuel of inadequate knock value will reduce the  
20 power output of all types of engines. If used for more than brief periods, it could cause overheating  
21 of the engine, burned or melted pistons and cylinders, and lubrication failure.

### 22 **Cetane Number**

23 The ignition quality of a diesel fuel, which is based on a scale resembling that of an octane number, is  
24 expressed as a cetane number. This number indicates the length of time (ignition lag) between  
25 injection of the fuel and combustion. The cetane number requirement varies with the type of diesel  
26 engine. Large and slow speed units in stationary installations do not require diesel fuel with cetane  
27 ratings above 40 smaller, high speed engines (1000 rotations per minute or more) require fuel of a  
28 higher cetane number. In the absence of test engines, cetane numbers are approximated from the  
29 calculated cetane index.

### 30 **Color**

31 Color is primarily used as an aid for identifying fuels such as aviation and automotive gasolines that  
32 have characteristic colors. Failure of fuel to meet its color requirement may indicate the possibility of  
33 contamination or deterioration. Darkening of the color of jet fuel may indicate the formation of  
34 insoluble gums.

### 35 **Corrosion**

36 Quantitative and qualitative tests for corrosion indicate whether products are free of corrosion  
37 tendencies. The quantitative test determines total sulfur content. This is important, particularly when

1 a product is to be burned in lamps, heating appliances, or engines. The qualitative test shows if fuel  
2 will corrode the metal parts of fuel systems.

### 3 **Existent Gum**

4 As the name implies, gum is the sticky, tacky, varnish-like material that is undesirable to have in fuel  
5 systems. Existent gum is the nonvolatile residue present in gasoline or jet fuels after they have been  
6 tested. The results indicate the quantity of gum deposit that may occur if the product is used  
7 immediately but do not indicate the possibility of gum formation when the product is stored. When  
8 present in excess, gum clogs fuel lines, filter and pump screens, and carburetor jets; causes manifold  
9 deposits and sticky intake valves; and reduces the knock value of gasoline.

### 10 **Potential Gum**

11 Potential gum (sometimes called oxidation stability) is determined by a test that indicates the  
12 presence of gum-forming materials and the relative tendency of gasolines and jet fuels to form gums  
13 after a specified period of accelerated aging. This value is used as an indication of the tendency of  
14 fuels to form gum during extended storage.

15 Retention of the original properties of a fuel after prolonged storage is known as the stability of the  
16 fuel. When added to fuels, chemical inhibitors retard gum formation but will not reduce gum that has  
17 already been formed. The effects of the potential gum are similar to those described for existent gum.  
18 Gum may be expressed as the “induction period” (sometimes called the breakdown time). This is a  
19 measure of the time in minutes that elapse during the accelerated test until the fuel rapidly absorbs  
20 oxygen. For aviation gasoline and jet fuel, the potential gum may be expressed as the potential for  
21 accelerated gum. This is the gum plus the lead deposits (from lead fuels) measured at the end of a  
22 specified accelerated aging (oxidation) period.

### 23 **Flashpoint**

24 The flashpoint is the lowest temperature at which vapors rising from a petroleum product or when  
25 exposed to test flame under specified conditions will ignite momentarily (flash) on application. The  
26 flashpoint of a petroleum product indicates the fire hazard in handling and storing it. It applies to fuel  
27 oils, diesel fuels, JP-5, kerosene, and solvents. It is not used for JP-4. The flashpoint test also  
28 indicates the combination of a product. For example, the presence of very small quantities of  
29 gasoline will make the flashpoint of a diesel fuel considerably lower than the minimum operating  
30 level of supply. The flashpoint of new lubricating oil is used primarily for identification and  
31 classification. The flashpoint of the oil must be above the operating temperature of the engine in  
32 which it is to be used.

### 33 **Cloud and Pour Points**

34 The cloud point is the temperature at which wax crystals (normally held in solution or water) in an oil  
35 separate, causing the oil to appear cloudy or hazy. In wick-fed systems, the wax crystals may clog the  
36 wick. Both wax crystals and water may block filter passages in fuel systems. The pour point of an oil  
37 indicates its behavior at low temperature. The fact that an oil has a specific pour point is no guarantee  
38 that it can be handled or is a satisfactory lubricant at that temperature.



1 **Distillation**

2 This process is used to measure the volatility of a petroleum product. The lower boiling fractions of  
3 gasoline indicate the starting ability of a gasoline engine at a given temperature and the engine's  
4 ability to warm up quickly. An excessive amount of highly volatile constituents in gasoline may  
5 cause vapor lock. Conversely, a gasoline with an excessive amount of "heavy ends" may not  
6 completely burn in the combustion chamber. This may cause damage through excessive dilution of  
7 crankcase oil. Specifications designate minimum and maximum percentages of fractions to be  
8 evaporated at specified temperatures, as well as initial and final boiling points. A gasoline with a  
9 high end point and a high percentage of residue may be contaminated with fuel oils or other oils. A  
10 fuel oil with a considerably lower initial boiling point flashpoint than normal may be contaminated  
11 with gasoline.

12 **Viscosity**

13 Viscosity is the measure of a liquid's resistance to flow. Specified minimum and maximum flow  
14 rates are required for all fuel oils and lubricating oils. A fuel oil's viscosity determines how the oil  
15 will flow to the burners, the extent to which it would be atomized, and the temperature at which the  
16 oil must be maintained to be atomized properly.

17 **Reid Vapor Pressure**

18 The vapor pressure of a fuel, which indicates the tendency to vaporize, is determined by the Reid  
19 vapor test. For any given gasoline, vapor pressure increases with temperature. Gasolines must have a  
20 certain vapor pressure to ensure adequate starting and accelerating qualities.

21 **Carbon Residue**

22 The carbon residue test indicates the carbonizing properties of a lubricating or burner oil. However,  
23 carbon residue from lubricating oils is not directly related to carbon formation in the engine. This test  
24 gives an indication of the type of carbon formation (loose or flaky or hard and flinty). It is used  
25 primarily as an identify and control test in conjunction with other specification tests. After distilling  
26 90% of diesel fuel, the carbon remaining in the 10% residue must be low enough to avoid carbon  
27 deposits. High carbon fuels should be checked carefully for carbon formation.

28 **Bottom Sediment and Water**

29 Petroleum products may gain sediment and water during storage and handling. This can adversely  
30 affect the performance of the equipment in which the products are used.

31 **Aviation Fuels**

32 Contamination by bottom sediment and water can often be detected visually. As a general rule,  
33 aviation fuel must be clean and bright and contain no free water. The terms clean and bright do not  
34 refer to the natural color of the fuel; the various grades of the fuel have dyes added. Jet fuels are not  
35 dyed and could be any color from water white to amber. Clean means the absence of any cloud,  
36 emulsion, readily visible sediment, or entrained water. Bright refers to the shiny appearance of clean  
37 dry fuels. A cloud, haze, specks of sediment, or entrained water indicate that the fuel is unsuitable,  
38 pointing to a breakdown of fuel handling equipment. Steps should be taken to find the trouble  
39 immediately. All the following information is also applicable to automotive fuels.

1 **Cloudy or Hazy Fuel**

2 Cloudy or hazy fuel usually indicates water, but it may also indicate excessive amounts of fine  
3 sediment or finely dispersed stabilized emulsion. Fuel containing either is not acceptable. When  
4 clean and bright fuel cools, a light cloud may form indicating that dissolved water has precipitated  
5 out. A precipitation cloud represents a very slight amount of fresh water. However, even a slight  
6 amount of fresh water is not desirable in aviation fuel. Fuel that shows some precipitation may not be  
7 clean and cannot be accepted or used. Filter separator elements should be replaced and water and  
8 emulsion should be removed from the source tank. A filter/separator can be used to remove the  
9 precipitation by recirculation or by draining the fuel upstream.

10 **Sediment in Fuel**

11 Specks or granules of sediment indicate particles in size range greater than 0.8 microns. An  
12 appreciable number of such particles in a sample indicate a failure of the filter/separator, or a dirty  
13 sample container. Even with the most efficient filter/separator and careful fuel handling, an  
14 occasional visible particle will be noted. The sediment ordinarily noted is an extremely fine powder,  
15 rouge, or silt. In a clean sample of fuel, sediment should not be visible. If sediment continues to be  
16 noted, appropriate surveillance tests and corrective measures must be applied to the fuel handling  
17 systems.

18 **Diesel Fuels and Burner Oils**

19 To avoid fuel pump and injector difficulties, diesel fuels must be clean and should not contain more  
20 than a trace of foreign substances. Excessive sediment and rust in burner oils will plug the burner tip,  
21 and the fuel will not atomize properly. Water can cause ragged operation and may corrode the fuel  
22 handling system. The types of equipment and burner oils will determine the amount of sediment  
23 permissible in the fuel.

24 **Lubricating Oils**

25 Care should be taken to avoid contaminating lubricating oils with water. Water will hasten de-  
26 composition of many oils, wash out additives, cause the oil to emulsify, and lead to engine failure. In  
27 used lubricating oils, sediment and water may have been caused by poor maintenance, failure of  
28 screens, or by condensation of combustion products.

29 **Ash**

30 The ash in oil is determined by burning off the organic matter and weighing the remaining inorganic  
31 matter. Straight mineral oils usually contain a small trace of ash. Oils containing metallic salts as  
32 additives will have larger amounts of ash. Increased amounts of ash indicate contamination with  
33 inorganic matter such as sand, dust, and rust. Increased ash in straight mineral oils may indicate  
34 contamination with additive type oils. The ash in diesel fuels must be very low because any abrasive  
35 substances may damage the internal metal surfaces of the engines and may form deposits on working  
36 surfaces. Residual fuel oils should also have low amounts of ash to prevent corrosion or  
37 embrittlement of fire boxes and boiler tubes.

38 **Foam Stability**

39 All oils will foam to some extent when agitated. The foam that is formed in oils that contain  
40 additives is often very stable. Instead of breaking up quickly, the foam tends to build up, and oil is  
41 lost through the breather outlets and other openings in the engine crankcase. Therefore, additive-type  
42 motor oils are frequently treated with antifoam agents to eliminate potential foam problems. The

1 foam test requires agitating the oil until the foam is formed and then noting the time required for the  
2 foam to break up and disappear.

### 3 **Gravity**

4 Accurate determination of the gravity of petroleum is necessary for converting measured volumes to  
5 volumes of the standard temperature of 60 degrees. Gravity is a factor governing the quality of crude  
6 oils. However, the gravity of a petroleum product is an uncertain indication of its quality. Combined  
7 with other properties, gravity can be used to give approximate hydrocarbon composition and heat of  
8 combustion. The gravity scale most used in the US is the API gravity. A change of gravity may  
9 indicate a change of composition caused by mixing grades of products.

### 10 **Water Reaction**

11 This test determines the presence of water-miscible components in aviation gasolines and turbine  
12 fuels, and the effects of these components on the fuel-water interface.

### 13 **Fuel System Icing Inhibitor Test**

14 This is a quantitative test used to determine the concentration of the fuel system icing inhibitor in jet  
15 fuel. The FSII additive (ethylene glycol monomethyl ether-glycerol) prevents ice formation in aircraft  
16 fuel systems. Testing is performed by many methods; i.e., colorimetric, sensor refractometer, freezing  
17 point, and titration. The potassium dichromate-sulfuric acid titrimetric procedure is the method  
18 preferred by the Air Force.

### 19 **Water Separator Index Modified (WSIM)**

20 The WSIM test measures the ease with which a fuel releases dispersed or emulsified water. Fuels  
21 having a low WSIM rating will prevent filter/separators from functioning properly.

### 22 **Particulate Contaminant**

23 Excessive sediment will clog fuel lines and internal fuel filters on aircraft. Sediment may also cause  
24 wear on metal parts and, when burned, may form deposits causing premature engine failure. The two  
25 tests for particulate contaminant in aviation turbine fuels are the milipore test and the color  
26 comparison standards test (the Air Force method).

### 27 **Undissolved Water**

28 Undissolved (free) water in aviation fuels can encourage the growth of microorganisms and  
29 subsequent corrosion in aircraft tanks. It can also lead to icing of filters in the fuel system. Free  
30 water is controlled in ground fueling equipment by filter/separators. The Aqua-Glo test is a quick and  
31 accurate way to determine the amount of free water in liquid petroleum products. The procedure is  
32 found in ASTM D-3240-91 (2001), *Standard Test Method for Undissolved Water in Aviation Turbine*  
33 *Fuels*. Water in fuel can cause the following severe problems:

- 34 • Corrosion of tanks, equipment, and lines due to the formation of hydrogen sulfide, an extremely  
35 corrosive compound.
- 36 • Removal of FSII from aviation turbine fuels.
- 37 • Clogging of fuel lines and filters, particularly at high altitudes.
- 38 • Support of micro biological growth sometimes found in water and fuel interface in jet tanks.

## **PART II. BULK WATER OPERATIONS**

### **CHAPTER 8. FUNDAMENTALS**

Potable water supply has always been a critical factor on the battlefield. A lack of water can demoralize and debilitate personnel. Three of the four major causes of death in the Civil War were due to contaminated water. With the discovery of bacteria, scientists began to understand that contaminated water caused diseases and infected wounds. A lack of water can also determine the outcome of a war. In 1915, the British commander at Gallipoli, LtGen Sir Frederick Stopford, and his commander, who was actively involved in the landing at Sulvia Bay, believed that the shortage of water was the major cause for their failure to take the heights before the Turks occupied them in force.

#### **IMPROVEMENTS TO WATER SUPPORT**

The Marine Corps is constantly seeking to improve its water support capability to meet the needs of the Marine Corps and if necessary the needs of other Services. Consumption factors have been developed to assist in planning for adequate water support and new equipment has been developed to purify all sources of water, to include NBC contaminated water. Through the latest technology, quality, and expedient training, the bulk water units are better prepared to provide Marines a most valuable commodity—water.

#### **CONCEPT OF BULK WATER OPERATIONS**

The basic concept of bulk water support is to source or produce water as close to the user as possible. This requires proper planning of the water point selection for bulk water, if required, and purification, storage, and distribution of bulk water.

#### **Bulk Water Support Responsibility**

Bulk water support is normally a Service responsibility. However, during joint operations, the joint force commander may assign the Services areas of responsibility for water support. Areas of responsibility are usually assigned based on the predominant user concept. This means that the greatest volume user in an area would provide bulk water support above and beyond the organic Service capabilities to all forces operating in the area. The actual procedures used to provide bulk water support to the Services will depend on conditions in the AO.

#### **Deployments**

In most deployments, Marine Corps forces will be capable of partial or complete water self-sufficiency using organic water equipment and host nation or commercial support. In geographic regions with adequate surface water resources, the commander is likely to establish multiple water points in the vicinity of his forces.

## 1 **Production and Storage**

2 The production of water is the purification of existing water sources into potable water. The  
3 extent to which a water point is developed depends primarily on the time, materials, and the  
4 Marines available to do the work. Water storage should be sufficient to meet the daily demands  
5 and allow water production to continue. Having adequate water storage avoids frequent time-  
6 consuming start-ups and shutdowns of the water production equipment.

## 7 **Distribution**

8 In most situations, water distribution is the weak link of the water support system. Getting water  
9 from the production and storage sites to the user can be equipment and manpower intensive.  
10 Water should be produced as close to the end user as possible. Marine forces must make efficient  
11 use of all available assets in conducting water distribution operations. Getting water from the  
12 storage site to the using units can involve utilizing all organic water distribution assets.

## CHAPTER 9. WATER EQUIPMENT

Marine Corps water equipment has to meet a wide range of requirements, from providing support for near shore operations to supporting inland operations. To meet these requirements, the Marine Corps has developed various water equipment end items and the family of water supply support system. USMC equipment has the capability to purify both fresh water and salt water. However, the Marine Corps does not have an organic well drilling capability. The MAGTF must be augmented by elements from the naval construction force in order to have this capability.

### WATER EQUIPMENT END ITEMS

#### Shower Unit

The shower unit (TAMCN B0055) consists of six separate, identical, and interchangeable shower modules with interconnecting hoses, electric feed water and drain pumps, and a drain hose. The unit has a self-contained, oil-fired boiler water heater capable of providing 120 degree F water at a rate of 20 GPM.

#### Field Laundry Unit

The laundry unit (TAMCN B1226) is a pallet-mounted, self-contained unit. It consists of a washer, dryer, extractor, and air compressor mounted on two pallets. The unit provides the capability to launder all washable fabrics worn by individual Marines and bulky organizational items with a maximum output of 120 pounds per hour.

#### 125 GPM Pump Set

The 125 GPM pump set is a compact, base-mounted, portable water pump. It is comprised of a single stage centrifugal pump directly connected to an air-cooled diesel engine.

#### 3,000 Gallon Collapsible Tank

The 3K tank is a collapsible tank designed for easy application in the field. It has a 3,000-gallon capacity and may serve as a temporary or semi-permanent water storage facility. The 3,000-gallon collapsible tank is transportable by land and air.

#### Reverse Osmosis Water Purification Unit (ROWPU)

The ROWPU is an ISO frame-mounted, portable water purification system. It is powered by a 30-kilowatt-generator set. The ROWPU can purify almost any type of water, to include fresh, brackish, and salt water. It can also purify water that has been exposed to nuclear, biological, chemical (NBC) contaminants. The ROWPU is capable of producing up to 600 gallons per hour (GPH) of potable water.

#### Tactical Water Purification System

The tactical water purification system (TWPS) is a skid-mounted, generator-powered system capable of producing potable water from any available raw water source at a rate of 1,200-1,500

1 gallons of water per hour in expeditionary environments. The TWPS will replace the aging  
2 ROWPU at a 1:2 ratio.

### 3 **Medium Freshwater Purification Unit 3,000 Lightweight Military** 4 **Tactical**

5 The medium freshwater purification unit) is a frame-mounted, skid-based, diesel-operated,  
6 diatomite type unit capable of purifying fresh water. It can purify up to 3,000 GPH from a  
7 freshwater source.

### 8 **Water Quality Analysis Set - Purification**

9 Water quality analysis set – Purification consists of the equipment necessary for testing water  
10 quality. It is self-contained in a portable, waterproof suitcase.

### 11 **M149 Water Trailer**

12 The M149 Water Trailer has a 400-gallon stainless steel water tank. A manhole is located on the  
13 top of the water tank for filling and cleaning. There are four faucets and a drain faucet for  
14 dispensing water. The trailer can be towed at a speed of 50 miles per hour (mph) on the highway  
15 and 30 mph cross-country.

### 16 **SIXCON**

17 Specific SIXCON modules are designed for potable water distribution only. Its main function is  
18 to provide a source of potable water to remote locations. A SIXCON is transportable by air or  
19 ground. Water SIXCON modules are similar to fuel SIXCON modules and have a capacity of  
20 900 gallons. Components of the water SIXCON system are a pump module and five water tank  
21 modules. The modules form a water distribution source that can be transported as a unit or  
22 individually. Table9-1 shows MPS and MEF allowances for water equipment.

### 23 **FAMILY OF WATER SUPPLY SUPPORT SYSTEMS**

24 To provide flexible and responsive water support, the Marine Corps has developed a family of  
25 water supply support systems. Each system is designed and configured specifically to support a  
26 unique mission using similar components. The ability to alter fundamental system configurations  
27 and interchangeability of components allows the creation of limitless combinations of tailored  
28 systems to meet mission requirements. The family of water supply support systems consists of  
29 20 TAMCNs. Current allowances of these items can be found in the unit's table of organization  
30 and equipment.

## CHAPTER 10. WATER SUPPORT PLANNING

The key to successful water support is innovative and flexible planning. Planning for water support may range from a MAGTF contingency operation in areas without a pre-established water support base to an operation involved in allied/host nation support where water support is partially supplied. For contingency operations, water planners must ensure that water units are structured to allow situation-dependent growth and maturity. This flexibility is a key to the MAGTF commander's ability to support the operation.

Water support planning is a continual process that involves the matching of an operational scenario to prepositioned supplies and equipment. Planning for water support must ensure that the MAGTF can perform its mission in the time required. Water support units and equipment need to be time phased in the AO so that water support and preventive medicine units arrive on time to provide adequate and continuous water support during an operation.

### PLANNING GUIDANCE

Water planners at all levels must include water supply procedures and guidance in exercise and operation plans. The water supply procedures are set forth in FM 10-52, *Water Supply in Theatres of Operations*, FM 10-52-1, *Water Supply Point Equipment and Operations*, Navy Medical (NAVMED) P-5010-5, *Preventive Medicine Manual (Navy)* or in Technical Bulletin Medical (TB MED) 577, *Occupational and Environmental Health Sanitary Control and Surveillance of Field Water Supplies (Army)*. Planners also need to ensure that the force structure has adequate resources for water production, storage, and distribution.

Water support planning is a continual process that begins with the identification of the force size and planned deployment rate. Time-phased water requirements are then determined and units are selected and scheduled for deployment based on the requirements.

Some specific areas that are critical to effective water support planning are as follows:

- Development of detailed water production, storage, and distribution plan..
- Identification of water support requirements for other Services, allied forces, or host nation labor forces, as directed.
- Water quality procedures.

### WATER REQUIREMENTS

Planning for water support begins with determining water requirements. Water requirements will depend upon the environment, the tactical situation, and the size of the force. Water requirements are flexible. They may not be the same each day. Some requirements such as cooking may be indefinite while others may only be for a specific period of time.

### CONSUMPTION REQUIREMENTS

A number of water consumption requirements are based on the size of the force. These are as may include but are not limited to the following:

- Drinking



- 1 • Field feeding
- 2 • Heat treatment
- 3 • Laundering
- 4 • Centralized hygiene
- 5 • Personal Hygiene
  
- 6 • Hospitals-level medical treatment
- 7 • Division-level medical treatment
- 8 • NBC decontamination
- 9 • Engineer construction
- 10 • Vehicle maintenance
- 11 • Aircraft maintenance

## 12 **Region**

13 Water consumption depends on the region. For specific regional requirements see tables 10-1  
14 through 10-4.

## 15 **Requirements Determination**

16 A number of computations must be made to determine supply, purification, and storage  
17 requirements for water.

### 18 ***Supply Requirement***

19 To compute the total daily water requirement of the force, multiply the actual personnel strength  
20 by the proper consumption factor. The total, expressed as gallons per day, includes ten percent  
21 for evaporation and waste loss.

### 22 ***Purification Requirement***

23 The amount of purification equipment to support the daily requirement has to be determined. To  
24 do this, divide the total daily requirement by the daily production capability of one purification  
25 unit. Under normal conditions, water purification equipment is operated twenty hours per day.  
26 However, many other factors affect the water production. Planners should coordinate with the  
27 equipment operators to get an accurate estimate of the water production capability.

### 28 ***Storage Requirement***

29 Temperate and, tropical, regions usually do not require large amounts of water to be stored. In  
30 arid regions, large quantities of potable water must be stored. The storage requirement is based  
31 on resupply times, daily requirements, and the DOS requirement established by the MAGTF  
32 commander.

### 33 ***Essential Consumption***

34 When enough potable water cannot be produced to meet all the requirements, all but essential  
35 consumption must be reduced. Essential water requirements include drinking, personal hygiene,  
36 field feeding, medical treatment, heat casualty treatment, and in arid regions, vehicle and aircraft  
37 maintenance. Consumption rates under these conditions are classified as “minimum”, enough for  
38 a force to survive up to one week. Requirements exceeding one week are classified as  
39 “sustaining.” In this classification, nonessential consumption includes that for centralized  
40 hygiene, laundry, and construction.

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**Table 10-1. Water Requirements for Temperate Zones**

Company	Daily Gallons-Per-Man Requirements	
	Sustaining	Minimum
Function		
Drinking	1.5	1.5
Personal Hygiene	1.7	0.3
Field Feeding	0.3	0.8
SUBTOTAL	3.5	2.6
+ 10% WASTE	0.4	0.3
TOTAL	3.9	2.9

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Regimental Landing Team	Daily Gallons-Per-Man Requirements	
	Sustaining	Minimum
Function		
Drinking	1.5	1.5
Personal Hygiene	1.7	1
Field Feeding	2.8	0.8
Medical Treatment	0.4	0.4
SUBTOTAL	6.4	3.7
+ 10% WASTE	0.6	0.4
TOTAL	7	4.1

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<b>Battalion</b>	<b>Daily Gallons-Per-Man Requirements</b>	
Function	Sustaining	Minimum
Drinking	1.5	1.5
Personal Hygiene	1.7	1
Field Feeding	2.8	0.8
SUBTOTAL	6	3.3
+ 10% WASTE	0.6	0.3
TOTAL	6.6	3.6

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<b>MEF</b>	<b>Daily Gallons-Per-Man Requirements</b>	
Function	Sustaining	Minimum
Drinking	1.5	1.5
Personal Hygiene	1.7	1
Field Feeding	2.8	0.8
Level-1 Medical Treatment	0.4	0.4
Level-2 Medical Treatment	0.7	0.7
SUBTOTAL	7.1	4.4
+ 10% WASTE	0.7	0.4
TOTAL	7.8	4.8

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**Table 10-2. Water Requirements for Tropical Zones**

<b>Company</b>	<b>Daily Gallons-Per-Man Requirements</b>	
Function	Sustaining	Minimum
Drinking	3.0	3.0
Personal Hygiene	1.7	0.3
Field Feeding	0.3	0.8
Heat Casualty Treatment	0.2	0.2
Subtotal	5.2	4.3
+10% Waste	0.5	0.4
Total	5.7	4.7
<b>Battalion</b>	<b>Daily Gallons-Per-Man Requirements</b>	

Function	Sustaining	Minimum
Drinking	3.0	3.0
Personal Hygiene	1.7	1.0
Field Feeding	2.8	0.8
Heat Casualty Treatment	0.2	0.2
Subtotal	7.7	5.0
+10% Waste	0.8	0.5
Total	8.5	5.5

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<b>Regimental Landing Team</b>	<b>Daily Gallons-Per-Man Requirements</b>	
Function	Sustaining	Minimum
Drinking	3.0	3.0
Personal Hygiene	1.7	1.0
Field Feeding	2.8	0.8
Heat Casualty Treatment	0.2	0.2
Medical Treatment	0.4	0.4
Subtotal	8.1	5.4
+10% Waste	0.8	0.5
Total	8.9	5.9

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<b>MEF</b>	<b>Daily Gallons-Per-Man Requirements</b>	
Function	Sustaining	Minimum
Drinking	3.0	3.0
Personal Hygiene	1.7	1.0
Field Feeding	2.8	0.8
Heat Casualty Treatment	0.2	0.2
Level-1 Medical Treatment	0.4	0.4
Level-2 Medical Treatment	0.9	0.9
Subtotal	9.0	6.3
+10% Waste	0.9	0.6
Total	9.9	6.9

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**Table 10-3. Water Requirements for Arctic Zones**

<b>Company</b>	<b>Daily Gallons-Per-Man Requirements</b>	
Function	Sustaining	Minimum
Drinking	2.0	2.0
Personal Hygiene	1.7	0.3
Field Feeding	0.3	0.8
Subtotal	4.0	3.1
+10% Waste	0.4	0.3
Total	4.4	3.4

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<b>Battalion</b>	<b>Daily Gallons-Per-Man Requirements</b>	
Function	Sustaining	Minimum
Drinking	2.0	2.0
Personal Hygiene	1.7	1.0
Field Feeding	2.8	0.8
Subtotal	6.5	3.8
+10% Waste	0.7	0.4
Total	7.2	4.2

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<b>Regimental Landing Team</b>	<b>Daily Gallons-Per-Man Requirements</b>	
Function	Sustaining	Minimum
Drinking	2.0	2.0
Personal Hygiene	1.7	1.0
Field Feeding	2.8	0.8
Medical Treatment	0.4	0.4
Subtotal	6.9	4.2
+10% Waste	0.7	0.4
Total	7.6	4.6

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<b>MEF</b>	<b>Daily Gallons-Per-Man Requirements</b>	
Function	Sustaining	Minimum
Drinking	2.0	2.0
Personal Hygiene	1.7	1.0
Field Feeding	2.8	0.8
Level-1 Medical Treatment	0.4	0.4
Level-2 Medical Treatment	0.7	0.7
Subtotal	7.6	4.9
+10% Waste	0.8	0.5
Total	8.4	5.4

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**Table 10-4. Water Requirements for Arid Zones**

<b>Company</b>	<b>Daily Gallons-Per-Man Requirements</b>	
Function	Sustaining	Minimum
Drinking	3.0	3.0
Personal Hygiene	1.7	0.3
Field Feeding	0.3	0.8
Heat Casualty Treatment	0.2	0.2
Vehicle Maintenance	0.2	0.2
Subtotal	5.4	4.5
+10% Waste	0.5	0.5
Total	5.9	5.0

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<b>Battalion</b>	<b>Daily Gallons-Per-Man Requirements</b>	
Function	Sustaining	Minimum
Drinking	3.0	3.0
Personal Hygiene	1.7	1.0
Field Feeding	2.8	0.8
Heat Casualty Treatment	0.2	0.2
Vehicle Maintenance	0.2	0.2
Subtotal	7.9	5.2
+10% Waste	0.8	0.5
Total	8.7	5.7

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<b>Regimental Landing Team</b>	<b>Daily Gallons-Per-Man Requirements</b>	
Function	Sustaining	Minimum
Drinking	3.0	3.0
Personal Hygiene	1.7	1.0
Field Feeding	2.8	0.8
Heat Casualty Treatment	0.2	0.2
Vehicle Maintenance	0.2	0.2
Level Medical Treatment	0.4	0.4
Centralized Hygiene	1.8	0.0
Construction	0.5	0.0
Aircraft Maintenance	0.2	0.2
Subtotal	10.8	5.8
+10% Waste	1.1	0.6
Total	11.9	6.4

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MEF	Daily Gallons-Per-Man Requirements	
	Sustaining	Minimum
Function		
Drinking	3.0	3.0
Personal Hygiene	1.7	1.0
Field Feeding	2.8	0.8
Heat Casualty Treatment	0.2	0.2
Vehicle Maintenance	0.2	0.2
Level-1 Medical Treatment	0.4	0.4
Level-2 Medical Treatment	2.8	2.8
Centralized Hygiene	1.8	0.0
Construction	1.5	0.0
Aircraft Maintenance	0.2	0.2
Laundry	2.1	0.0
Subtotal	16.7	8.3
+10% Waste	1.7	0.9
Total	18.4	9.5

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# CHAPTER 11. WATER SUPPORT OPERATIONS

Effective water support is essential to mission accomplishment. The water support mission is to get potable water to each Marine. Each Service is responsible for its water support. However, the Army is the theater manager for water support and may provide backup water support when the Services' requirements exceed their capabilities. When a Service requires backup water support, the supported Service must provide detailed water requirements to the Army planners. The Army will provide GS water support to other Services in the theater as required. Field Manual (FM) 10-52, *Water Supply in Theater of Operations*, provides detailed information on Army roles and responsibilities for water support in the theater. The TAMMC monitors water priorities and allocation procedures and provide the JTF commander with water supply data. During JTF operations, the JTF commander may assign water support responsibilities on an area basis. Under this "predominant user concept", the predominant Service in an area may be tasked to provide water support to all Services operating in that area above and beyond that Service's organic capabilities.

## MAGTF WATER SUPPORT

MAGTFs may require water support for contingency operations in areas without a pre-established water support base to an operation involving allied/host nation support. MAGTFs provide water support on an area basis using supply point distribution. Water support operations comprise three areas—water purification, water storage, and water distribution.

## MAGTF WATER SUPPORT RESPONSIBILITIES

Normally the water supply system is an automatic resupply operation. Generally, its only limitations are water availability and the capability of receiving units. The forward movement of water is based on storage and distribution assets available.

## MAGTF Command Element

The command element is responsible for overall water support planning and operations for the MAGTF. When demand exceeds supply, the MAGTF commander establishes an allocation system and support procedures. The allocation system is based on priorities to support the tactical plan.

To accomplish its mission, the CE performs the following tasks:

- Ensures water production, storage, and distribution is sufficient to support the entire MAGTF and any other water missions assigned by the JTF commander.
- Submits required water data to the JTF or theater Army.
- Directs storage and distribution procedures and priorities.
- Provides inventory management of GS water supplies and sets allocations if required.
- Ensures economy of management of all water support equipment within the MAGTF.

## 1 **ACE, CSSE, and GCE**

2 All other elements of the MAGTF are responsible for planning, directing, and supervising their  
3 organic water support assets. Each element will ensure it has the capabilities to perform any  
4 water support tasking assigned by the MAGTF commander. Daily management of the water  
5 points and water distribution is the responsibility of the GCE, ACE, and CSSE. Water support  
6 requirements that are beyond the organic capabilities of an element will be addressed to the  
7 MAGTF CE for sourcing. Each MAGTF element has water purification, distribution, and storage  
8 capability. However, the CSSE has the preponderance of water support equipment. As a result,  
9 the CSSE must be prepared to provide GS to the other elements of the MAGTF as needed.

## 10 **WATER PURIFICATION**

11 Water purification is the first phase of water support operations. During the purification phase,  
12 water is drawn from the source and purified to potable water standards. Potable water is certified  
13 safe for human consumption. Water is purified with a ROWPU, a medium freshwater  
14 purification unit, or the tactical water purification system. Standards are verified by a member of  
15 an environmental protection medical unit or any corpsman with a water quality analysis kit and  
16 the knowledge of how to use it.

## 17 **WATER STORAGE**

18 Water storage is the second phase of water support operations. Storage is normally done at or  
19 very close to the purification sites. The goal of water storage is to keep one day of supply on  
20 hand. This will prevent a water shortage if several purification units go down at one time.  
21 Storage can be done using one or a combination of 500-gallon collapsible drum, SIXCON, 3,000,  
22 20,000, and 50,000-gallon tanks.

## 23 **WATER DISTRIBUTION**

24 Water distribution begins from the storage sight. Water distribution is often the critical link in  
25 water support operations. If this link fails, the Marine goes thirsty. It is important that units  
26 organize so they will have sufficient organic water distribution equipment to provide supply point  
27 distribution. . During the early phases of deployments and in emergency situations, packaged  
28 water will be the primary means of resupply in forward areas. As the CSSEs are established and  
29 LOCs are developed, units will begin pulling water from water points using organic 400-gallon  
30 water trailers and SIXCON water modules.

## 31 **Water Supply Operations in Arid Regions**

32 Water sources are either nonexistent or extremely limited in arid regions. The options available  
33 to the MAGTF will be limited to importing water, desalination of seawater, or development of  
34 new water supply sources. Units will need to make maximum use of organic water equipment for  
35 storage and distribution. Water purification teams and detachments will often be required to  
36 operate from the shore purifying seawater with ROWPUs. The family of water supply support  
37 equipment is used to store and distribute potable water to operating forces. Water moved forward  
38 is either stored in forward water supply points or issued to the using units. Water supply points  
39 are established as far forward as possible, considering the location of water sources, the location  
40 of using units, and the tactical plans. Based on resupply times and water availability, MAGTF

1 commanders will have to establish the required DOS for water to be held at each echelon.  
2 Operational and DS units will normally maintain a minimum of one DOS.  
3 Water supply operations are typically conducted in three phases to ensure effective and continual  
4 water support.

### 5 ***Development Phase***

6 This phase may begin as an air or amphibious assault or as an uncontested entry at a friendly port.  
7 The first MAGTF elements will probably be combat forces with little combat service support  
8 (CSS). Using canteens, 5-gallon cans, and other organic equipment, these forces carry only  
9 enough water for immediate survival purposes. Resupply must begin quickly by either air or  
10 from the sea. During this phase, packaged water will be primarily provided from offshore or  
11 from the air from nontheater support bases. Nonexpendable equipment used during this phase,  
12 such as 500-gallon drums and 5-gallon cans, must be recovered and reused. MAGTF  
13 commanders must exploit all water sources while keeping the impact on the local population to a  
14 minimum.

### 15 ***Lodgment Phase***

16 The arrival of follow-on forces in the AO will increase water requirements beyond the  
17 capabilities of aerial resupply except for forward deployed or isolated units. During this phase, in  
18 country water support systems must be established. CSS units will provide purification, storage,  
19 and distribution of water in support of the MAGTF. CSS units will exploit any source of water in  
20 the AO using organic water purification equipment.

### 21 ***Buildup Phase***

22 Once the lodgment is established, expansion of the logistics base begins. Additional water  
23 support units and equipment will arrive. The distribution system should be expanded to include  
24 tactical water distribution system whenever possible. Bulk water can be introduced into the AOA  
25 via joint logistics over-the-shore. Water points will be expanded and moved as far forward as  
26 possible.

## 27 **Water Supply Operations in a Nonarid Environment**

28 Water support operations in an undeveloped, nonarid environment include development,  
29 lodgment, and buildup phases, and are identical to those described in the arid environment. There  
30 are three distinct nonarid environments or regions; temperate, tropical, and arctic. See chapter 10  
31 for associated planning factors. Planning and operational considerations for each are discussed  
32 below:

### 33 ***Temperate Regions***

34 Temperate regions have seasonal variations that may affect water support operations such as hot  
35 summers and cold winters. These variations may have a significant impact on where water points  
36 may be located. In spring and fall, heavy rains may flood streams and rivers. In the summer  
37 water sources may be low preventing sufficient water flow for purification operations. These  
38 factors require careful consideration by water planners and coordination with meteorology and  
39 map/area reconnaissance when selecting water sites.

### 40 ***Tropical Regions***

1 Water sources in tropical regions are often contaminated with waterborne diseases and parasites.  
2 Although an abundance of water may be available in a tropical region, purification and treatment  
3 of raw water is required.

#### 4 **Arctic Regions**

5 Water supply points in arctic regions must have equipment to prevent or retard freezing.  
6 Equipment can include shelters and heaters. Water sources in arctic regions will present unusual  
7 problems. These problems can include ground and source water freezing and distribution  
8 problems due to poor mobility.

### 9 **HOST NATION CONSIDERATIONS**

10 HN water sources, facilities, and equipment should be used as much as possible. MAGTF water  
11 planners should assume that no HN water is available in arid regions. Minimal water sources and  
12 poor water quality may limit any operations that depend on HN support to meet the criteria set  
13 forth in NAVMED P-5010-5 or TB MED 577 for water quality standards. In the early stages of  
14 deployment, HN processed or bottled water may be used if it has been certified as potable by pre-  
15 ventive medicine personnel. However, in both developed and undeveloped theaters, MAGTF  
16 commanders and water planners must be aware of the following:

#### 17 **Article 54 of the Geneva Conventions**

18 This article “prohibits attacking, destroying, or rendering useless drinking water installations and  
19 supplies and irrigation works. In no event shall actions against these objects be taken which may  
20 be expected to leave the civilian population with such inadequate food or water as to cause its  
21 starvation or force its movement.”

#### 22 **Labor Force Personnel**

23 The HN must provide for the needs of its labor forces unless otherwise provided in host nation  
24 support agreements. In the absence of an agreement, US forces may have to assume some  
25 responsibility for the care of labor forces.

#### 26 **Refugees**

27 Article 55 of the Geneva Conventions states that the host country, as the territorial sovereign, is  
28 responsible for refugees on its territory. In the event its resources are strained by an influx of  
29 refugees, the host country may request assistance from US forces. US forces would have a legal  
30 responsibility to provide refugee care where they have occupied enemy territory and have  
31 established a military government.

#### 32 **Enemy Prisoners of War**

33 Article 26 of the Geneva Conventions requires the US to provide humane treatment to prisoners  
34 in its custody. This includes providing adequate water and food.

1 **APPENDIX A**

2 **Petroleum, Oils, and Lubricants Appendix**

3 The following is the format for the petroleum, oils, and lubricants (POL) appendix for combatant  
4 commander, JTF, and MAGTF OPLANs, and OPORDs.

5 Appendix 1 To Annex D

6 Petroleum, Oils, and Lubricants Supply

7 CLASSIFICATION

8 APPENDIX 1 TO ANNEX D TO OPLAN /// PETROLEUM, OILS, AND LUBRICANTS  
9 SUPPLY ( )

10 ( ) REFERENCES: LIST DOCUMENTS NECESSARY FOR A COMPLETE  
11 UNDERSTANDING OF THIS APPENDIX; INCLUDE CURRENT PETROLEUM STUDIES,  
12 JOINT AGREEMENTS, AND OTHER RELEVANT GUIDANCE AS APPLICABLE.

13 1. ( ) GENERAL

14 a. ( ) Purpose. State the purpose of this appendix.

15 b. ( ) Users. Describe the concept of petroleum supply operations by designating the users to  
16 be supported, including allied forces and civilian requirements, where applicable. Identify the  
17 agreements whereby support for the latter users would be undertaken.

18 2. ( ) CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

19 a. ( ) Availability and suitability of commercial petroleum products, petroleum storage, tanker  
20 unloading facilities, and petroleum distribution systems

21 within the area of operation.

22 b. ( ) Tanker offloading facilities and terminal facilities needed to meet US military  
23 requirements for petroleum support.

24 c. ( ) Concept of inland distribution.

25 d. ( ) Requirements for intertheater or intratheater movement of bulk petroleum to include  
26 points of origin, destination, type, and facilities available or required to receive this type product.  
27 List POL data by product. Upon fielding of new time-phased force and deployment data format,  
28 the JOPS produced listing will be used.

29 e. ( ) Requirement for local procurement of commercial petroleum products and petroleum  
30 distribution and storage services within the AO.

31 f. ( ) Establishment of a quality control activity within the AO.

32 3. ( ) RESPONSIBILITIES

33 a. ( ) Assign specific tasks to military organizations, including the component commanders,  
34 when appropriate.

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- 1           b. ( ) Delineate support responsibilities of the JPO, JTF, JTF component commanders,  
2 SAPOs, appropriate unified commands or their components, for the supply of petroleum,  
3 including responsibility for its transportation.
- 4 4. ( ) LIMITING FACTORS. Describe limitations that could adversely affect petroleum supply  
5 operations, such as inadequate air and ocean terminal capacity, lack of storage facilities,  
6 malpositioned storage, inadequate transportation, inadequate in-theater stocks, lack of alternate  
7 facilities, and similar logistic constraints.
- 8 ESTIMATE OF POL SUPPORT REQUIREMENTS. Refer to TAB A, if applicable. Describe  
9 methodology used to compute requirements if Service planning factors were not applicable or if  
10 unique factors were considered.

1 **APPENDIX B**

2 **Petroleum Allocation**

3 **DEFENSE MESSAGE SYSTEM**

4 The following is a message text format (MTF) report that is used to identify bulk petroleum  
5 allocations (POLALOT) when required. The report may be used by the combatant commander to  
6 the component commands and by the MEF to the major subordinate commands (MSCs). The  
7 report is only used when bulk petroleum stocks or support cannot meet all the requirements. For  
8 instructions and codes, refer to the DMS.

9 Bulk Petroleum Allocation

10 POLALOT

11 FM JTF/COMMARFOR  
12 TO II MEF  
13 CG MAW//G4/G3//  
14 CG MARDIV//G4/G3//  
15 CG FSSG//G3/G4//  
16 CC (AS REQUIRED)  
17 BT UNCLAS //N04020//  
18 EXER// OPER//  
19 MSGID/POLALOT/MEF G4/0001/NOV//  
20 REF//  
21 AMPN//  
22 NARR//  
23 PERID/150500Z/TO:160500Z/ASOF:141800Z//  
24 6POL /  
25 CMPCMD /FUELTP/PTY /UOVOLM/POLDELMD/DELPOS /  
26 MAW /JP5 /100K/GAL /TKRTRK /LZ BLUEBIRD /  
27 MAW /MUR / 5K/GAL /TKRTRK /LZ BLUEBIRD /  
28 FSSG /DF2 / 20K/GAL /BARGE /LZ BLUEDIRD /  
29 FSSG /MUR / 10K/GAL /TKRTRK /LZ FALCON /  
30 FSSG /JP8 / 50K/GAL /TKRTRK /LZ FALCON /  
31 FSSG /JP5 /600K/GAL /TKRTRK /ONSLOW BEACH /  
32 MARDIV /DF2 / 25K/GAL /TKRTRK /GRID 432756 /  
33 MARDIV /DF2 / 5K/GAL /TKRTRK /GRID 479832//  
34 BT #  
35

# APPENDIX C

## BULK PETROLEUM CONTINGENCY REPORT MESSAGE TEXT FORMAT REPORT

The following is a MTF report that is used to provide summary information on bulk fuel inventories, damage, and damage assessment on bulk fuel distribution systems. The bulk petroleum contingency report (REPOL) is normally submitted by the combatant commander JPO or SAPO. The MEF will submit REPOL feeder reports as required by the combatant commander to the appropriate agency.

### Bulk Petroleum Contingency Report

secret when filled out (insert date here)

A	B	C	D	E
<b>PART I</b>				
<b>LOCATION</b>				
insert town or city and grid				
	<b>ISSUED</b>	<b>RECEIPTS</b>	<b>ON-HAND</b>	<b>STORAGE</b>
<b>PRODUCT</b>	<b>LAST 24 HOURS</b>	<b>LAST 24 HOURS</b>	<b>INVENTORY</b>	<b>CAPACITY</b>
JP-8	0	0	0	0
AVGAS	0	0	0	0
Unleaded	0	0	0	0
<b>PART II Forecast</b>				
	<b>24 HOURS</b>	<b>48 HOURS</b>	<b>72 HOURS</b>	<b>96 HOURS</b>
JP-8	0	0	0	0
AVGAS	0	0	0	0
Unleaded	0	0	0	0
<b>PART III Equipment</b>				
				<b>STORAGE</b>
<b>TYPE SYSTEM (capacity)</b>	<b>ON HAND</b>	<b>IN-SERVICE</b>	<b>NOTES</b>	<b>PER</b>
AAFS (1.2 mil)	0	0		1,200,000
TAFDS - (320k)	0	0		320,000
TAFDS (120K)	0	0		120,000
HERS (9k/18k)	0	0		9k/18k
5K ARC	0	0		5,000
M970	0	0		5,000
<b>PART IV Personnel</b>				
	<b>O/H</b>			
Enlisted Petrl Supply Spec 1391	0			
M970 Driver/mech	0			
Petroleum Officer 1390	0			



PART V	Remarks
Prepared by: <b>Rank and name</b>	XXXXXXXXXXXX
Phone #: <b>valid/accurate ph#</b>	XXXXXXXXXXXX

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# APPENDIX D GLOSSARY

## ACRONYMS

1		
2		
3	AABFS .....	amphibious assault bulk fuel system
4	AAFS .....	amphibious assault fuel system
5	ABFDS .....	aerial bulk fuel delivery system
6	ACE .....	aviation combat element
7	AFOE .....	assault follow-on echelon
8	ALOC .....	air lines of communications
9	AMC .....	Air Mobility Command
10	AO .....	area of operations
11	AOA .....	amphibious objective area
12	API .....	American Petroleum Institute
13	ARC .....	aviation refueling capability
14	ASTM .....	American Society for Testing and Materials
15	BPWRR .....	bulk petroleum war reserve requirements
16	BPWRS .....	bulk petroleum war reserve stocks
17	CE .....	command element
18	CFD .....	contaminated fuel detector
19	COMMARFOR .....	Commander, Marine Forces
20	CONUS .....	continental United States
21	CSS .....	combat service support
22	CSSD .....	combat service support detachment

1	CSSE	.....	combat service support element
2	DFR	.....	defense fuel region
3	DESC	.....	Defense Energy Support Center
4	DFSP	.....	defense fuel support point
5	DLA	.....	Defense Logistics Agency
6	DOD	.....	Department of Defense
7	DOS	.....	day(s) of supply
8	DS	.....	direct support
9	EPA	.....	Environmental Protection Agency
10	ERS	.....	expedient refueling system
11	ESBn	.....	engineer support battalion
12	FARP	.....	forward arming and refueling point
13	FSII	.....	fuel system icing inhibitor
14	FSSG	.....	force service support group
15	F/W	.....	fixed wing
16	G-3	.....	Army or Marine Corps component operations staff officer
17			(Army division or higher staff, Marine Corps brigade or
18			higher staff)
19	G-3	.....	Army or Marine Corps component logistics staff officer
20			(Army division or higher staff, Marine Corps brigade or
21			higher staff)
22	GCE	.....	ground combat element
23	GPH	.....	gallons per hour
24	GPM	.....	gallons per minute
25	GS	.....	general support

1	HERS .....	helicopter expedient refueling system
2	HNS .....	host nation support
3	IDF .....	item data file
4	IMP .....	inventory management plan
5	IPDS .....	inland petroleum distribution system (Army)
6	ISO .....	International Organization for Standardization
7	JLTS .....	joint logistics over the shore
8	JP-4/5/8 .....	aviation fuel, “jet propulsion.”
9	JPO .....	joint petroleum office
10	JTF .....	joint task force
11	LFORM .....	landing forces operational reserve material
12	LMIS .....	logistics management information system
13	LOC .....	lines of communication
14	MAGTF .....	Marine air-ground task force
15	MARDIV .....	Marine division
16	MAW .....	Marine aircraft wing
17	MCO .....	Marine Corps Order
18	MEB .....	Marine expeditionary brigade
19	MEF .....	Marine expeditionary force
20	MEU .....	Marine expeditionary unit
21	MILHDBK .....	military handbook
22	MOGAS .....	motor gasoline
23	MOS .....	military occupational specialty

1	mpg .....	miles per gallon
2	MPS .....	maritime pre-positioning ship
3	MPSRON .....	maritime prepositioning ships squadron
4	MSC .....	Military Sealift Command
5	MTF .....	message text format
6	MWSG .....	Marine wing support group
7	MWSS .....	Marine wing support squadron
8	NAVAIR .....	Naval Air System Command
9	NBC .....	nuclear, biological, and chemical
10	NOLSC .....	naval operational logistics support center
11	OPA .....	Oil Pollution Act
12	OPDS .....	offshore petroleum discharge system
13	OPLAN .....	operation plan
14	OPORD .....	operation order
15	POL .....	petroleum, oils, and lubricants
16	POLALOT .....	petroleum allocation
17	POLRQMT .....	petroleum requirement
18	REPOL .....	bulk petroleum contingency report
19	ROWPU .....	reverse osmosis water purification unit
20	RSPA .....	Research and Special Programs Administration
21	R/W .....	rotary wing
22	S-3 .....	battalion or brigade operations staff officer (Army; Marine
23		Corps battalion or regiment)
24	S-4 .....	battalion or brigade logistics staff officer (Army; Marine

Corps battalion or regiment)

- 1
- 2 SAPO ..... subarea petroleum office
- 3 SIXCONs ..... six containers together
- 4 SOP ..... standing operating procedure
- 5 SPCCP ..... spill prevention control and countermeasures plan
- 6 TAFDS ..... tactical airfield fuel dispensing system
- 7 TAMCN ..... table of authorized material control number
- 8 TAMMC ..... Theater Army Material Management Command
- 9 TBFDS ..... tactical bulk fuel distribution system
- 10 TDS ..... total dissolved solids
- 11 T/E ..... table of equipment
- 12 TFS ..... tactical fuel systems
- 13 TPLM ..... tactical petroleum laboratory, medium
- 14 TPTs ..... tactical petroleum terminals
- 15 TWPS ..... tactical water purification system
- 16 US ..... United States
- 17 USAPC ..... US Army Petroleum Center
- 18 USCG ..... US Coast Guard
- 19 USMC ..... United States Marine Corps
- 20 WSIM ..... water separometer index modified

## II. DEFINITIONS

22 **additive** - An agent used for improving existing characteristics or for imparting new characteristics to  
23 certain petroleum products.

1 **aerial refueling** - The use of aerial tanker-configured aircraft to provide refueling service to  
2 helicopters, fixed-wing, and tilt-rotor aircraft in flight. Aerial refueling extends the range, time on  
3 station, mobility, and flexibility of MAGTF aircraft. (MCRP 5-12C)

4 **American Petroleum gravity** - An arbitrary scale expressing the gravity or density of liquid  
5 petroleum products. The measuring scale is calibrated in terms of degrees API. The gravity of any  
6 petroleum product is corrected to 60 degrees F. Also called **API gravity**.

7 **American Petroleum Institute** - The institute represents and is supported by the petroleum industry.  
8 It standardizes the tools and equipment used by the industry and promotes the advancement of  
9 research in the petroleum field. (FM 10-70-1)

10 **American Society for Testing and Materials** - A national scientific and technical organization  
11 formed for the development of standards or characteristics and performance of materials, products,  
12 systems, and services and the promotion of related knowledge. Also called **ASTM**.

13 **amphibious assault bulk fuel system** - The petroleum, oils, and lubricants discharge system  
14 used to support US Marine Corps amphibious assaults and maritime pre-positioning force  
15 operations. It consists of 5,000 or 10,000 feet of buoyant 6-inch hose deployed from a landing ship,  
16 tank in amphibious assaults, or a maritime pre-positioning ship in maritime prepositioning force  
17 operations. (JP 1-02) The US Navy system of flexible, buoyant hose used to effect ship-to-shore  
18 transfer of fuels. Five thousand feet of 6-inch hose connects amphibious shipping to shorebased fuel  
19 storage systems located at the high water mark. (MCRP 5-12C)

20 **amphibious assault fuel system** - The Marine Corps' primary fuel storage system used to support  
21 amphibious operations. This system is composed of a number of components capable of receiving,  
22 transferring, and dispensing MOGAS, diesel, or aviation fuels. The system can be set up in a wide  
23 variety of configurations to meet varying operational requirements. (MCRP 5-12C)

24 **amphibious objective area** - A geographical area (delineated for command and control purposes in  
25 the order initiating the amphibious operation) within which is located the objective(s) to be secured  
26 by the amphibious task force. This area must be of sufficient size to ensure accomplishment of the  
27 amphibious task force's mission and must provide sufficient area for conducting necessary sea, air,  
28 and land operations. Also called **AOA**. (JP 1-02)

29 **appearance** - Refers to the visual examination of fuels. The terms used to describe appearance are  
30 clear and bright, hazy and cloudy. (FM 10-70-1)

31 **barrel** - A common unit of measurement of liquids in the petroleum industry. It equals 42 US  
32 gallons.

33 **berm** - An earthen wall constructed around a fuel tank to contain potential fuel leaks or spills.

34 **blending** - Mixing on-specification fuel with off specification fuel to bring the latter to specification  
35 or use limits. Used as a method of reclamation.

36 **bottom sediment and water** - Amount of sediment and water in the bottom of fuel tanks.

37 **bulk fuel company** - A unit that performs all functions incident to the supply of class III and class III  
38 (A) to elements of a MAGTF, to include distribution to, but not within, air bases during an

1 amphibious assault and subsequent operations ashore; to ensure that class III (A) products distributed  
2 to supported air elements are of the required type, quality, and purity. (FMFRP 0-14)

3 **bulk liquid** - Fuel or water itself, not inclusive of the container or handling apparatus. A term also  
4 used to define quantities of fuel or water above either 55 gallons or 250/500 gallons; the former when  
5 handling product in 55-gallon metal drums is common, the latter when 250/500- gallon collapsible  
6 water drums or 500-gallon collapsible fuel drums are in use.

7 **bulk petroleum product** - Those petroleum products (fuels, lubricants) which are normally  
8 transported by pipeline, rail tank car, tank truck, barge, or tanker and stored in tanks or containers  
9 having a capacity of more than 55 gallons, except fuels in 500-gallon collapsible containers, which  
10 are considered to be packaged. (FM 10-70-1)

11 **class III** - Petroleum products (petroleum, oils and lubricants), often broken down into class IIIA for  
12 aviation fuel, and class III(W) for ground equipment fuel.

13 **combat service support detachment** - A separate task organization of combat service support assets  
14 formed for the purpose of providing rearming, refueling, and/or repair capabilities to the Marine air-  
15 ground task force or designated subordinate elements; e.g., a battalion conducting independent  
16 operations or an aircraft squadron operating at a remote airfield. The combat service support element  
17 normally provides the command element of a combat service support detachment. (MCRP 5-12C)

18 **contaminant** - A foreign substance in a product.

19 **Defense Energy Supply Center (DESC)** - An activity under the Defense Logistics Agency with the  
20 responsibility as the integrated material manager for wholesale bulk petroleum products until their  
21 delivery to the point of sale. This responsibility includes contract administration in an oversee area.  
22 (FM 10-70-1)

23 defense fuel supply point - Any military or commercial bulk fuel terminal storing products owned by  
24 Defense Logistics Agency. Also called **DFSP**. (FM 10-70-1)

25 Defense Logistics Agency - The agency, at the Department of Defense level, charged with providing  
26 the most effective and economical support of common supplies and services to the Military  
27 Departments and other designated Department of Defense components. It is the agency under which  
28 Defense Energy Supply Center operates. Also called **DLA**. (FM 10-70-1)

29 **drum** - Either 16- or 18-gage steel cylindrical containers (generally, 55-gallon size) or 250/500-  
30 gallon collapsible water containers/500-gallon collapsible fuel containers.

31 flash point - The temperature at which a fuel will “flash” when exposed to test flame flame diameter  
32 of approximately 1/8 inch, like a butane lighter flame adjusted as low as possible; also a test per-  
33 formed per Americal Society for Testing and Materials.

34 **force service support group** - The combat service support element of the Marine expeditionary force  
35 (MEF). It is a permanently organized Fleet Marine Force command charged with providing combat  
36 service support beyond the organic capabilities of supported units of the MEF. If supporting a force of  
37 force of greater size, additional assets are necessary to augment its capabilities. Although  
38 permanently structured with eight functional battalions, task organizations from those battalions  
39 would normally support MEF operations over a wide geographic area. (MCRP 5-12C)

40 **forward arming and refueling point** - A temporary facility, organized, equipped, and deployed by  
41 an aviation commander, and normally located in the main battle area closer to the area where



1 operations are being conducted than the aviation unit's combat service area, to provide fuel and  
2 ammunition necessary for the employment of aviation maneuver units in combat. The forward arming  
3 and refueling point permits combat aircraft to rapidly refuel and rearm simultaneously. Also called  
4 **FARP**. (JP 1-02)

5 **free water** - See "water."

6 **gallon** - A unit of measure of volume. A US gallon contains 231 cubic inches or 3.785 liters; it is  
7 0.83268 times the imperial gallon. One US gallon of water weighs 8.3374 pounds at 60 degrees  
8 F.(15.6 degrees C.).

9 **inventory** - Bulk tankage contents measured to current product level; includes tank bottoms and  
10 associated pipeline fill. (FM 10-70-1)

11 **joint operation** - An operation carried on by a force which is composed of significant elements of the  
12 Army, Navy, or the Marine Corps, and the Air Force, or two or more of these Services operating  
13 under a single commander authorized to exercise unified command or operational control over joint  
14 forces. Note: A Navy/Marine Corps operation is not a joint operation. (FMFRP 0-14)

15 **joint operations** — A general term to describe military actions conducted by joint forces or by  
16 Service forces in relationships (e.g., support, coordinating authority) which, of themselves, do not  
17 create joint forces. (JP 1-02)

18 **joint petroleum office** - An office established by the Joint Chiefs of Staff with petroleum logistics  
19 responsibilities in a unified command in overseas areas. Also called **JPO**. (FM 10-70-1)

20 **operating level of supply** - The quantities of materiel required to sustain operations in the interval  
21 between requisitions or the arrival of successive replenishment shipments. These quantities should be  
22 based on the established replenishment period (monthly, quarterly, etc.) (JP 1-02)

23 **petroleum** - Crude oil. Petroleum is a mixture of gaseous, liquid, and semisolids hydrocarbons  
24 varying widely in gravity and complexity. Petroleum can be removed as a liquid from underground  
25 reservoirs, and it can be separated into various fractions by distillation and recovery. Petroleum is a  
26 general term that includes all petroleum fuels, lubricants, and specialties.

27 **rear operations** - Military actions conducted to support and permit force sustainment and to provide  
28 security for such actions. (MCRP 5-12C)

29 **reverse osmosis** - The application of pressure to a concentrated solution which causes the passage of  
30 a liquid from the concentrated solution to a weaker solution across a semipermeable membrane which  
31 allows the passage of the solvent (water) but not the dissolved solids (solutes). The liquid produced is  
32 a demineralized water. (FM 10-70-1)

33 **sortie** - In air operations, an operational flight by one aircraft. (JP 1-02)

34 **specification** - Prescribed limits of control tests used to maintain uniformity of a specific product.  
35 (FM 10-70-1) storage capacity - Total of existing bulk tankage assigned for product storage. Capacity  
36 is measured to maximum fill level for each tank and includes nonrecoverable tank bottoms. (FM 10-  
37 70-1)

38 **subarea petroleum office** - A suboffice of a Joint Petroleum Office (JPO) established by the JPO to  
39 fulfill petroleum logistics responsibilities in a section of the geographical area for which the JPO is  
40 responsible. Also called **SAPO**. (FM 10-70-1)

1 **tactical airfield fuel dispensing system – 1.** An expeditionary system providing bulk fuel storage  
2 and dispensing facilities at airfields not having permanently installed fuel systems; also used to  
3 support fuel dispensing at established airfields. 2. A tactical aircraft refueling system deployed by a  
4 Marine air-ground task force in support of air operations at an expeditionary airfield or a forward  
5 arming and refueling point. Also called **TAFDS**. (MCRP 5-12C)

6 **tank** - A storage container for liquid products.

7 **tanker** - A seagoing vessel for transporting liquids. Coastal tankers have less draft (depth of a ship  
8 below the waterline) than oceangoing tankers. (FM 10-70-1)

9 **terminal** - A bulk facility for receipt, storage, transportation, and issue of petroleum products. The  
10 facility may be a base terminal for receipt and shipment of product by tanker, a pipehead terminal  
11 (head terminal) at the downstream end of the pipeline, or tank farm complex, tank farm manifold, and  
12 central pump station area. (FM 10-70-1)

13 **ullage** - The amount by which a container, storage tank, or storage facility falls short of being full.

14 **volume correction** - The correction of measured quantity of product, determined by gauging at ob-  
15 served temperature and gravity and reference to a gage table, to net quantity of product at 60 degrees  
16 F. after deducting bottom water and sediment. (FM 10-70-1)

17 **water** - An odorless, colorless, transparent liquid, solid (ice), or gas (steam), compound. Also called  
18 H<sub>2</sub>O.

19 **water, dissolved** - All fuel contains some water in solution, and amounts will vary with temperature.  
20 This type water is not separated from fuel by filter separators or other mechanical means.

21 **water, entrained** - “Free” water which is suspended throughout a fuel (or sample) and has not yet  
22 settled to the bottom of fuel container/tank.

1                                   **APPENDIX E. REFERENCES AND RELATED**  
2                                   **PUBLICATIONS**

3   **Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)**

4   Title 40, Part 112

5   **Department of Defense Publications**

6   **Directive (DODD)**

7   4140.25           DOD Policy for Energy Commodities and Related Services

8   **Manuals (DODM)**

9  
10 4140.25-M           Department of Defense (DOD) Management of Bulk Petroleum  
11                           Products, Vol. I-IV, Natural Gas and Coal

12 4140.25-M           Management of Bulk Petroleum Products, Storage, and  
13                           Distribution Facilities Vol. V

14 **Military Handbook (MIL-HDBK)**

15 200                   Quality Surveillance Handbook for Fuel, Lubricants  
16                           and Related Products

17 **Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff Manual (CJCSM)**

18 CJCSM 3122.03A      Joint Operation Planning and Execution System (JOPES) Volume II,  
19                           Planning Formats and Guidance

20 **Joint Publications (JPs)**

21 1-02                   DOD Dictionary of Military and Associated Terms

22 3-02                   Joint Doctrine for Amphibious Operations

23 4-0                    Doctrine for Logistics Support of Joint Operations

24 4-01.2                Sealift Support

25 4-03                   Joint Doctrine for Petroleum Operations

26 **Marine Corps Orders**

27 P5090.2               Environment and Protection

28 11240.66             Standard Licensing Procedure of Military Motor

29 P11000.8B

1	3501.4	MCCRES Vol. 3 Rotary Wing Squadron
2	<b>Marine Corps Doctrinal Publications (MCDPs)</b>	
3	4	Logistics
4	<b>Marine Corps Warfighting Publications (MCWPs)</b>	
5	4-1	Logistics Operations
6	4-11	Tactical Level Logistics
7	3-17	Engineer Operations
8	<b>Marine Corps Reference Publications (MCRPs)</b>	
9	4-11.5	SEABEE Operations in the MAGTF
10	5-12C	Marine Corps Supplement to the DOD Dictionary of Military and
11		Associated Terms US Army Publications
12	<b>Marine Corps Technical Manuals</b>	
13	TM 11275-15/4	Tactical Engineering Equipment Licensing Examiner's Manual
14	TM-3835/15-1	Installation Operation and Maintenance of AAFS and TAFDS
15	TM-4700-15/1	Ground Equipment Record Procedures
16	TM-9130-12	Fuel Handling Products
17	<b>US Navy Publications</b>	
18	<b>Naval Supply Systems Command Publication (NAVSUP)</b>	
19	PUB 558	Fuel Management Ashore
20	<b>Naval Air Systems Command Publication (NAVAIR)</b>	
21	00-80T-109	Aircraft Refueling Naval Air Training and Operating Procedures
22		Standardization (NATOPS) Manual
23	<b>Navy Medical Command Publications (NAVMEDs)</b>	
24	P-5010-5	Preventive Medicine Manual (Chapter 5, Water Supply Ashore)
25	P-5010-9	Preventive Medicine Manual (Chapter 9, Preventive Medicine
26		for Ground Forces) TM T9540-AE-0M1-020/Offshore Petroleum
27		Discharge System (OPDS)
28	<b>Naval Warfighting Publication (NWP)</b>	
29	3	Naval Terminology

- 1 **American Society for Testing and Materials Specifications**
- 2 D1250-80 (2002) Standard Guide for Petroleum Measurement Tables
- 3 D1655-04 Standard Specification for Aviation Turbine Fuels
- 4 D3240-91(2000) Standard Test Method for Undissolved Water in Aviation Turbine Fuels
- 5 **Federal Specification**
- 6 VV-F-800D Fuel Oil, Diesel
- 7 **Military Specifications**
- 8
- 9 MIL-DTL-5624T Turbine Fuel, Aviation, Grades JP-4 and JP-5
- 10 MIL-DTL-83133E Turbine Fuel, Aviation, Grade JP-8
- 11 **Army Field Manuals (FMs)**
- 12 10-52 Water Supply in Theater of Operations
- 13 10-52-1 Water Supply Point Equipment and Operations