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Reference: Letter of Appointment, SAME IGE Project: Avoiding PFAS Information Overload: Targeted Training

for Operational Entities

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The Society of American Military Engineers (SAME) thanks you for your submission of your SAME Industry Government Engagement (IGE) project: *Avoiding PFAS Information Overload: Targeted Training for Operational Entities* and your willingness to serve as the Project Manager for this effort.

The intended outcome(s) for this project are:

- Enable DOD, other Public personnel, and contractors to effectively address PFAS issues by providing accurate, concise, tailored, and digestible PFAS knowledge. PFAS factors into many aspects of the operation, expansion, restoration, and closure of military bases, and the PFAS "problem" is a significant issue that will not be "solved" in the near term. DOD personnel and contractors will need to investigate, assess options, and implement remedies over the coming years, which will represent a significant expenditure of funds and manpower for the DOD. To ensure this effort is focused and forward thinking, specific PFAS knowledge will be needed for those involved to be successful and provide value and efficiency to the DOD's efforts.
- Potential follow-on scope:
 - Best management practices (BMPs) for avoiding future impacts (e.g., use of practice foams, containment, capture).
 - Equipment decontamination for conversion to fluorine free foams.
 - Optimizing drinking and wastewater treatment for lower life cycle costs (LCC).

Your work on this project will be in conjunction with the Environmental Community of Interest. As such, work closely with the Community and the Community Chair, Rick Wice, for any assistance or resources you may need.

Jeff Davis volunteered to serve as the XC Project Champion for this project. The XC Project Champion is the *keeper of the XC's intent* and ensures XC's intent is clearly communicated and met. Additionally,

the XC Champion removes obstacles and holds IGE PM accountable for progress and ultimately impact. You are encouraged to coordinate with Jeff as soon as practical.

Prior to commencement of this project, provide the IGE Program Manager (PgM), Rob Biedermann, with a scope document addressing the following:

- Project management plan to include:
 - o Further defined project scope of work
 - Major tasks and milestones
 - Overview project timeline noting milestones and schedule completion dates
- Impact or intended outcome(s) (if different or expanded from the above noted)
- Current or requested parties and/or individuals required (industry, government, academic, SAME COI, etc.)
- Funding or other resource needs (if any)

The undersigned will inform you when the review of the scope document is complete.

Thank you for accepting this appointment. SAME appreciates your efforts to impact this issue and looks forward to your results. Contact the undersigned with any questions or resource requests.

Sincerely,

Rob Biedermann

Industry-Government Engagement Program Manager

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Rick Wice, Chair, Environmental COI, SAME Jeff Davis, Appointed Director, SAME Cindy Lincicome, President-Elect, SAME Richard Delaney, Vice President, SAME Joe Schroedel, Executive Director, SAME