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Depot public affairs specialist honored by CSEPP



Jim Hackett, CSEPP public affairs specialist for the depot, received the Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program (CSEPP) program manager's award at the National CSEPP Workshop in Louisville, Ky., Thursday, June 24.

Hackett received the award in recognition of many years as the public affairs representative on the Umatilla CSEPP exercise planning committee, the Army's representative at the Umatilla Joint Information Center and participation in the CSEPP media campaign undertaken by the Umatilla Public Information Group for several years.

"It's a great honor, and I was totally surprised when it was announced that I was one of the recipients," Hackett said. "I have been fortunate in more than 14 years of working with outstanding people in exercises at the depot and across the country, both on post and off post. The Chemical Stockpile Emergency Preparedness Program is a dynamic program, which was created by Congress in the late 1980s to provide maximum protection to people living next to chemical stockpile sites."

Hackett was among several recipients of the honor from CSEPP programs across the nation. Two other public information officers, Wade Mathews of Tooele County, Utah, and Steve Dover, Talladega County, Ala., were among the award recipients.

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