APPENDIX A

CLASS IV SUSTAINMENT SHIPMENT PROCEDURES

A. PURPOSE

Due to the physical characteristics and shipping requirements of Class IV, Construction Materials, (e.g., barrier and construction), this appendix establishes general transportation procedures whereby the default mode of shipment, for inter-theater movement of Class IV sustainment, will be by surface, with air shipment of Class IV sustainment by the Defense Transportation System requiring approval based on the receiving Combatant Commander’s (CCDR) established Airlift Clearance Authority (ACA) challenge and clearance parameters and movement prioritization requirements (refer to this regulation, Part II, Chapter 304, Paragraph A. 2 for responsibilities, authorities, and coordination requirements relating to sustainment cargo shipments).

B. SCOPE

The scope of this policy is limited to Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) managed Class IV materiel (e.g., lumber, plywood, wire, pickets, sand bags, and bastions) that is forward stocked at one of the DLA Defense Distribution Depots located in a geographic Commander’s (CDR)’s theater.

C. CLASS IV SUSTAINMENT SHIPMENT PROCESS

1. Geographic CDRs will:
   a. Establish, and provide to Service ACAs, challenge and clearance parameters and prioritization requirements for Class IV sustainment shipments to their Area of Responsibility (AOR).
   b. Establish procedures for the review, validation, and approval of requests for airlift of Class IV sustainment. If approved, airlift of Class IV will be coordinated with the United States Transportation Command and the theater Joint Deployment Distribution Operations Center to ensure that material is delivered to the Aerial Port of Embarkation (APOE).

2. In addition to the responsibilities, authorities, and coordination requirements relating to sustainment cargo shipments discussed in this regulation, Part II, Chapter 304, Paragraph A. 2, Service components will:
   a. Establish procedures to incorporate specified requirements and prioritization guidance as identified by the CDR (see Paragraph C.1 above) into Service ACA processes.
   b. Identify requirements, and provide the necessary justification, for requests for the priority shipment of Class IV sustainment materiel, (i.e., specific Class IV sustainment that requires airlift to meet specified operational requirements).

3. DLA Distribution Centers (DDC) will ensure that all DLA-managed Class IV shipments have been validated and approved for airlift prior to initiation of shipment movement to either the Consolidation and Containerization Point (CCP) or APOE.
D. RESPONSIBILITIES

1. **CDR:**
   a. Establish, and provide to Service ACAs, challenge and clearance parameters and prioritization requirements for sustainment shipments to their AOR.
   b. Establish procedures for the review, validation, and approval of requests for airlift of Class IV sustainment shipments.
   c. Review, evaluate, and approve inter-theater Class IV sustainment airlift requests.
   d. In Accordance With (IAW) the policies set forth in Chapter 5 of Department of Defense Manual 4140.01, DOD Supply Chain Materiel Management Procedures: Operational Requirements, coordinate with DLA to identify additional Class IV materiel to be forward stocked at the theater Defense Distribution Depot.

2. **Services.** In addition to the responsibilities, authorities, and coordination requirements relating to sustainment cargo shipments discussed in this regulation, Part III, Chapter 304, Paragraph A. 2, Service components will:
   a. Establish procedures to incorporate specified requirements and prioritization guidance as identified by the CDR (see Paragraph C.1) into Service ACA processes.
   b. Ensure that business rules in the Financial Air Clearance and Transportation System (FACTS) have been established IAW this regulation, Part II, Chapter 202, Paragraph, Y.3.c.(1)(e) and this appendix.
   c. Identify requirements, and provide the necessary justification, for requests for the priority shipment of Class IV sustainment materiel, (i.e., specific Class IV sustainment that requires airlift to meet specified operational requirements).
   d. Coordinate with DLA to identify Class IV materiel to be forward stocked at theater Defense Distribution Depots.

3. **DLA:**
   a. IAW this regulation, Part II, Chapter 202, Paragraph, Y.3.c.(1).(e), ensure that surface transportation is the default mode for all DLA-managed Class IV sustainment shipments, with air shipment requiring approval based on the receiving (e.g., supported) CDR’s established ACA challenge and clearance parameters and prioritization requirements.
   b. DDC will ensure that all DLA-managed Class IV shipments have been validated and approved for airlift prior to initiation of shipment movement to the CCP or APOE.
   c. Ensure that DLA shipping systems (e.g., Distribution Standard System and Distribution Planning and Management System) send Advanced Transportation Control Movement Documents to the FACTS) for air-eligible DLA-managed Class IV sustainment shipments.