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SUBJ/NUCLEAR TRAINED SAILOR APPLICATIONS TO OFFICER COMMISSIONING PROGRAMS AND MODIFICATION TO FY-19 NUCLEAR LIMITED DUTY OFFICER IN-SERVICE PROCUREMENT BOARD PROCESS//

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AMPN/ REF A IS NAVADMIN 070/13, NUCLEAR TRAINED SAILOR APPLICATIONS TO OFFICER COMMISSIONING PROGRAMS. REF B IS OPNAVINST 1420.1B, ENLISTED TO OFFICER COMMISSIONING PROGRAMS APPLICATION ADMINISTRATIVE MANUAL. REF C IS NAVADMIN 090/17 FY-19 ACTIVE-DUTY LIMITED DUTY OFFICER AND CHIEF WARRANT OFFICER IN-SERVICE PROCUREMENT BOARDS.//

RMKS/1. This NAVADMIN supersedes reference (a) and continues the requirement for Sailors assigned to a Nuclear Training Command or holding a Nuclear Navy Enlisted Classification (NEC) (335X, 336X, 338X, 339X) applying to a non-nuclear officer commissioning program to obtain conditional release from Nuclear field duty.

2. To obtain a conditional release, a Sailor must submit an Enlisted Personnel Action Request (NAVPERS 1306/7) to the Nuclear Propulsion Program Management Branch (OPNAV N133) via their detailer in Enlisted Nuclear/Submarine Assignment Division (PERS-403).

Applicants must obtain a conditional release prior to submitting their application for a non-nuclear officer commissioning program.

All other requirements for application to officer commissioning programs are listed in reference (b).

3. Officer accession boards are only to consider nuclear enlisted applicants with a conditional release included in their program application with the exception of those applicants listed in paragraphs 4 and 5 below.

4. Conditional releases for the Seaman to Admiral-21 Program-Nuclear Option (STA-21(N)) and Nuclear Limited Duty Officer (LDO) Program are no longer required.

5. Reference (c) announced the requirements for the FY-19 LDO In-service Procurement Board (ISPB). For Nuclear-trained applicants, the guidance in reference (b) and reference (c) for the LDO ISPB is modified as follows:

a. The requirement of reference (c), paragraph 4.b.(2) to obtain a conditional release for the Nuclear LDO program is

cancelled by this message.

b. The Nuclear LDO ISPB will be convened as a separate administrative board in conjunction with the Submarine Major Command Board in November 2017.

c. The Nuclear LDO application must be postmarked by 1 October 2017. Addendums will not be accepted.

d. Applicants for the Nuclear LDO program are required to only complete pages 1, 2, 6 and 10 of the Officer Program Application (OPNAV 1420/1 (Rev 01-08)) application. The commanding officer/officer in charge endorsement located on page 10 of OPNAV 1420/1 (Rev 01-08) must contain the following statement: "Applicant meets all requirements outlined in OPNAVINST 1420.1B, NAVADMIN XXX/17 (use the NAVADMIN # for this message), and the physical fitness standards of OPNAVINST 6110.1J."

e. The three-person interview appraisal board with associated appraisal sheets and medical documentation of color vision test are not required.

f. All Nuclear LDO applicant packages will be forwarded from the Enlisted Boards Branch (PERS-803) to OPNAV N133 for collating and staffing to Naval Reactors for screening prior to being presented to the Nuclear LDO ISPB.

g. Sailors selected for Nuclear LDO will still require a separate technical interview at Naval Reactors to receive a commission. Those Sailors who do not successfully complete a final technical interview will maintain their enlisted status and not be commissioned as LDOs. Technical interviews will be scheduled by Nuclear Placement and Assignments (PERS-422) and selectees notified via separate correspondence.

h. Applications submitted prior to the release of this NAVADMIN containing additional information no longer required do not need to be resubmitted.

6. Point of contact is LCDR Christopher Carter, Nuclear Enlisted Program Manager, N133D, at (703) 604-5493 or via e-mail at nxag_N133d(at)navy.mil.

7. Released by Vice Admiral R. P. Burke, N1.//

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