

## DEFENSE COMMISSARY AGENCY HEADQUARTERS 1300 E AVENUE FORT LEE, VIRGINIA 23801-1800

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NOTICE TO THE TRADE – DeCA NOTICE 19-20

SUBJECT: Vendor Stocking Initiative Update

The purpose of this notice is to provide an update to Industry on DeCA's initiative to explore alternatives to the current vendor stocking program. For the purpose of this announcement, vendor stocking is defined as those services for FDS products not currently provided by the DeCA commercial activity contractor or under DSD orders/deliveries.

In an effort to address shelf stocking shortages, DeCA initiated a test to utilize a third party to accomplish vendor stocking at Joint Expeditionary Base Little Creek, Virginia, (reference attached NTT 18-29.)

Beginning April 1, 2019, DeCA will expand the test by utilizing a third party to accomplish the stocking of FDS brand name chill, frozen, and dry grocery products at the following Commissary locations:

- Fort Myer
- Fort Riley
- McGuire AFB
- Peterson AFB

The stocking of milk, eggs, and fresh chicken are not included as a part of this program.

Point of contact for this initiative is Mr. Jay Hudson, Principal Deputy Director, Store Operations, (804) 734-8000 extension 48127, or <a href="mailto:jay.hudson@deca.mil">jay.hudson@deca.mil</a>.

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Attachment: As stated