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Blue Grass Chemical Activity

Lieutenant Colonel Steven G. Basso

Commander, Blue Grass Chemical Activity

LTC Steven G. Basso graduated from Texas A & M University, College Station, Texas with a Bachelor of Science degree in Economics and was commissioned an officer in the United States Army Chemical Corps in 1994. He recently received his Masters degree in National Security and Strategic Studies from the Naval War College, Newport, R.I.

LTC Basso's military education includes the Chemical Officer Basic Course, the Toxic Agent Training Course, Air Movement Operations, Armor Captain Career Course, the Combined Arms & Services Staff School, the Chemical Technical Escort Course, and the Naval War College Command & Staff Course.

He began his military assignment as a Battalion Chemical Officer then as Support Platoon Leader, in 3/321 Field Artillery Battalion, before moving on to the 101st Chemical Company as the Company Executive Officer, and Battalion S1 for the 83rd Chemical Battalion while at Fort Bragg, N.C. LTC Basso's next assignment took him to Korea where he was the Battalion Assistant S3 for the 23rd Chemical Battalion, before going to Fort Polk, La as the Battalion S4 for the 83rd Chemical Battalion then as Company Commander with the 7th Chemical Company, Fort Polk, La. He subsequently deployed as the Company Commander with the 7th Chemical



Company, Operation Noble Eagle, to Kandahar, Afghanistan, then onward to Tallil, Iraq. Following his deployment to the Theater of Operations, he went on to Hohenfels, Germany where he served as the Senior Chemical observer/controller (COC) for the Combat Maneuvers Training Center before assuming command of the Chemical, Biological Radiological, Nuclear and Explosive (CBRNE) Company, Campbell Barracks, Heidelberg, Germany. Upon his departure from Germany, he returned to the 83rd Chemical Battalion, where he served as the Battalion S3, before moving on as the Brigade S3 shortly before his redeployment as Brigade Executive Officer, Maneuver Enhancement Brigade, Bagram, Afghanistan. LTC Basso returned from deployment to attend the Naval War College, Newport, R.I., and upon completion of his studies, he redeployed to Afghanistan where he

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served as the J3 for the Combined Joint Task Force (CJTF) Paladin for the US Army Joint Improvised Explosive Device Defeat Organization (JIEDDO).

LTC Basso assumed Command of the Blue Grass Chemical Activity, Richmond, Ky., 14 June 2010.

LTC Basso's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal (2nd Award), Meritorious Service Medal (3rd Oak Leaf Cluster), Army Commendation Medal

(1st Oak Leaf Cluster), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal (5th Oak Leaf Cluster), Joint Meritorious Unit Award, Meritorious Unit Commendation, National Defense Service Medal (2nd Award), ACMCS, Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, Global War on Terrorism Service Medal, Korean Defense Service Medal, Humanitarian Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon and the Overseas Service Ribbon.