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ATTENTION OF


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MEMORANDUM FOR CHIEFS, OPERATIONS AND NATURAL RESOURCES
MANAGEMENT, MAJOR SUBORDINATE COMMANDS AND DISTRICT COMMANDS

SUBJECT: Business Line Data Update – Fiscal Year 2017 Operations and Maintenance
Business Information Link (OMBIL)

1. October is the designated month for all business lines to review and verify OMBIL data for completeness and accuracy. All data for Fiscal Year 2017 should be entered in the system and verified by close of business, 31 October 2017.
2. As a reminder, OMBIL is the primary record for all O&M business line data and, as such, it is imperative that the data be accurate and current. OMBIL data are used for many different purposes, including decisions concerning facility development, budget development and defense, tracking performance measures, preparation of briefings and fact sheets, asset management, etc. It is used to populate information on the Gateway and numerous other internal and external websites. It provides a source of data, both inside and outside the Corps, for general information, industry directories, news articles, Recreation.gov, the CorpsLakes website, Recreation Information Data Base (RIDB), and many other uses. Inaccurate and/or incomplete data not only reflects poorly on the Corps and renders a disservice to the public, but could also jeopardize the viability of our O&M missions.
3. This is not a new requirement. Staff within each Operations business line should be well-trained and aware of the process and tools available for accomplishing this annual update. Above all, these data must comport with the definitions contained in the OMBIL Data Input and Report Users Manual. Please ensure that persons updating the data have access to and knowledge of the data field definitions. The definitions for all of these data fields are found at <https://ombil.usace.army.mil/WebHelp/ombil.htm>.
4. With your continued leadership to reinforce the importance of OMBIL data and to provide "quality assurance", our information systems will continue to support our mission.


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