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CONNECTICUT NATIONAL GUARD TO HOST RIBBON CUTTING CEREMONY FOR NEW FUEL CELL AND CORROSION CONTROL FACILITY

HARTFORD, Conn. – Maj. Gen. Thaddeus J. Martin, Adjutant General and Commander of the Connecticut National Guard, announced that a ribbon cutting ceremony will be held for a new Fuel Cell and Corrosion Control Facility at Bradley Air National Guard Base in East Granby on Wednesday, July 26, 2017 at 1:00 p.m.

This event is open to the media. Media will be permitted base entry beginning at 12:00 p.m.

See the next page to coordinate for access.

The federally-funded, \$14.3 million project was awarded to Cutter Enterprises, LLC in Vernon, Connecticut. The new facility supports the Connecticut National Guard's fleet of eight C-130 aircraft.

Specifically, the 29,600-square foot facility provides specialized hangar space for fuel cell maintenance and corrosion treatment for C-130 Hercules aircraft. It is one of many ongoing facilities projects developed to transform Bradley Air National Guard Base after moving toward a fleet of C-130s in 2013.

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“After welcoming home hundreds of our Airmen from the first large-scale C-130 deployment in Connecticut National Guard history, we are privileged to celebrate the achievement of yet another milestone,” Maj. Gen. Martin said. “The ongoing base upgrades are part of our goal to provide our Guardsmen with state-of-the-art facilities to ensure overall mission success.”

Access/Media Parking: Available. Media wishing to attend must coordinate with Maj. Mike Petersen at 860-883-5336 or michael.t.petersen.mil@mail.mil.

Directions to 100 Nicholson Road, East Granby, CT 06105:

From I-91, Northbound and Southbound: Take exit 40 (Bradley International Airport, 20 West). Follow Route 20, take 4th exit (20W, East Granby, Granby) bear right. At the first light, turn onto Bradley Park Road. Go to the end of the road and take a right on Nicholson Road. Stop at the guard post, give your name and present a valid form of government identification. The guard will provide directions from there.

From the Northwest Corner: Take Rte. 318E (from Rte. 44 between Winsted and New Hartford) to Rte. 219N to Rte. 20E to Bradley International Airport. Turn left onto Bradley Park Road. Go to the end of the road and take a right on Nicholson Road. Watch for signs to the Air National Guard Base. Stop at the guard post, give your name and present a valid form of government identification. The guard will provide directions from there.

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