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## **OREGON MILITARY DEPARTMENT EMPLOYEE CHARGED WITH WIRE FRAUD AND MAKING FALSE STATEMENTS**

PORTLAND, Ore. – Dominic Caputo, 46, of Clackamas County, Oregon, was indicted today on allegations that, as a civilian program manager for the Oregon National Guard Oregon Sustainment Maintenance Site (OSMS), he submitted false reimbursement requests to the U.S. Army Communications-Electronics Command (CECOM) and misrepresented the operational status of equipment used to maintain a war-ready posture.

The court unsealed a five-count indictment alleging Caputo falsely certified that the refurbishment of equipment was complete or in-process. Caputo's certifications prompted CECOM to remit payment for more than 1,300 pieces of equipment at a cost of more than \$6 million to OSMS with the expectation the equipment was ready to be shipped to other military installations and put back into service, when it was not.

Caputo faces four counts of wire fraud, and one count of false statements in a document.

Caputo made his initial appearance in federal court today before U.S. Magistrate Judge Beckerman and was released pending trial. A 7-day jury trial is scheduled for November 20, 2018 before U.S. District Court Judge Anna J. Brown.

An indictment is only an accusation of a crime, and a defendant is presumed innocent unless and until proven guilty.

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