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488th soldiers honored for service

Fort Polk, La. --- Soldiers of the 488th Quartermaster Company, Force Provider Platoon, will be honored today for their service in support of Operation Enduring Freedom from June to December 2002.

The platoon includes plumbers, electricians, laundry and shower specialist, fuelers, cooks, water specialist, generator mechanics and heat/air condition mechanics.

The awardees are:

1st Lt Sandy Mosley-Kuria
Sgt. Trip Bolding
Sgt. Gary Lyons
Sgt. Jeremy Smith
Spec. Kevin Moon
Spec. Erin Bankston
Spec. James Menard
Spec. Tania Smith
Spec. Luis Gonzalez

Spec. Aleya Johnson
Pfc. Charles Gilley
Pfc. Jeremy Davidson
Pfc. James Bridges
Pfc. Clinton Rankin
Pfc. Erick Jones
Pfc. Michael Schaffer
Pfc. Matthew Matson

A platoon-sized unit usually supports the set-up and maintenance of a single Force Provider module. Force Provider is a deployable modular base camp for deployed soldiers.

The Force Provider platoon set-up and maintained five modules in Kandahar, Afghanistan, as well as set up part of two modules in Bagram, Afghanistan. This is usually the work of six platoons.

Force Provider Platoon supported approximately 5000 soldiers, marines, airmen, coalition forces and civilians. The platoon completed more than 1500 maintenance jobs and services, delivered 568,000 gallons of water, distributed 355,000 gallons of fuel, laundered 5000 bundles of laundry monthly and prepared countless meals.

All soldiers will be receiving the Army Commendation Medal during today's ceremony. The ceremony is at the Warrior Brigade Gym.

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