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Sturgis' Headquarters, Headquarters Battery 881st Troop Command changes command

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STURGIS, S.D. (12/3/11) – Capt. Sarah Jensen, of Rapid City, is the new commander of the South Dakota Army National Guard's Headquarters, Headquarters Battery (HHB) 881st Troop Command, in Sturgis.

Jensen received command of the HHB Dec. 3, 2011, from Capt. Donald Johnson, of Sioux Falls, who had commanded the unit since Sept. 2010.

"I am proud to be part of a Battalion that puts Soldiers and their families first," Jensen said after accepting command of the 26 member National Guard unit.

In civilian life, Jensen is employed by STARBASE of South Dakota Inc. as director of Rapid City/Project NOVA Honor and STARBASE 2.0. She has been a member of the SD Army National Guard for 15 years.

Johnson, the departing commander, is being assigned to the 196th Maneuver Enhancement Brigade, Sioux Falls, as the new civil affairs officer.

"I am thankful for the opportunity to have led this group of Soldiers," Johnson said after the ceremony. "I look forward to the many challenges in my new position and wish the best for everyone in the 881st Troop Command."

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111203-A-ZZ000-001: Capt. Sarah Jensen (right), Headquarters, Headquarters Battery (HHB) 881st Troop Command commander, receives the company guidon from Lt. Col. Mike Harder, 881st battalion commander, during the change of command ceremony for the HHB 881st Troop Command, Dec. 3, 2011. The passing of the guidon is a time honored tradition signifying the responsibility associated with the command. (SDNG photo by Sgt. Louie Clement) (RELEASED)

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