

Statement of Mr. Alex A. Beehler  
Nominee to be Assistant Secretary of the Army for Installations, Energy and  
Environment  
Senate Armed Services Committee.  
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Mr. Chairman, Ranking Member Reed, and Distinguished Members of the  
Senate Armed Services Committee,

Thank you for providing me the opportunity to appear before your Committee  
today as you consider my nomination to serve as the Assistant Secretary of Army for  
Installations, Energy & Environment (IE&E). I also thank President Trump and Secretary  
Mattis for their faith and support in nominating me for this position. It is a great honor  
and privilege.

I also thank and recognize my wonderful wife, Stephanie, who is here today, for  
her lifetime of support, and our two wonderful children, Alexandra and Abigail, who are  
watching the hearing online.

As my background reflects, I believe in public service, and I believe the highest  
form of public service is that provided by uniformed military who voluntarily place  
themselves in harm's way, defending our country so that the rest of us can lead lives out  
of harm's way. If confirmed as Assistant Secretary of the Army (IE&E), I will do my part  
in supporting the well-being of our soldiers and their families, ensuring that necessary  
mission testing and training capabilities on our installations are not compromised, and  
helping enhance the resiliency and modernization of military operations through  
innovative, effective approaches and public-private partnerships.

If confirmed, I will synchronize these goals with the priorities established by  
Secretary Mattis, Secretary Esper, and Lieutenant General Dahl and his successor,

achieving IE&E's mission with integrity and collaboration. If confirmed, I also will draw upon my five-year experience with the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for Installations & Environment, where I encountered many of the same issues and processes I likely would face as the Army IE&E ASA. In addressing issues, I will seek to draw upon both the breadth and depth of our civilian and military personnel, and foster a cooperative team atmosphere as much as possible. I also will strive for substantive results, eliminating unnecessary processes and bureaucracy when within my authority, so IE&E's activities do not waste time or money.

In sum, if confirmed, I will work closely with the Department and Army leadership, my counterparts in the other Services, and this Committee to support our fighting men and women.

I look forward to responding to your questions. Thank you.