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**Mr. Thomas J. Murphy**  
**Director**  
**Compensation & Pension Service**  
**Department of Veterans Affairs**  
**Veterans Benefits Administration**  
**Washington, DC 20420**

**Dear Mr. Murphy,**

**Enclosed you will find Citation Number 1139851, Docket Number 08-18 542, an appeal to the Department of Veterans Affairs Regional Office in Oakland, California for entitlement to service connection for diabetes mellitus due to herbicide exposure in Thailand during the Vietnam War.**

**The documents clearly states that herbicides, including Agent Orange, were mixed and sprayed around the flight line, barracks areas and the base perimeter of Udorn Royal Thai Air Force Base, Thailand from September 1971 to September 1972.**

**Because of this new information found in the enclosed document, the Airborne Battlefield Command & Control (ABCCC) Association membership requests that the Department of Veterans Affairs revisit its decision to award Agent Orange compensation only to those Vietnam-era veterans whose service involved duty on or near the perimeters of military bases in Thailand anytime between February 28, 1961 and May 7, 1975.**

**Sincerely,**

*Kenneth D. Witkin*

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**ABCCC Association President**

**Enclosure**

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