



Commander Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command

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Dear Dr. Leipper:

The Naval Meteorology & Oceanography Command recognizes your outstanding achievements and lifetime contributions in meteorology and oceanography to the Naval Oceanography community. Your foresight and vision for a multi-disciplinary oceanographic approach as founding head of the Department of Oceanography at Texas A & M University (TAMU) have served well that Department, the University and our Nation. Your contributions to the Naval postgraduate school as well as TAMU are gratefully acknowledged and recognized as being significant influences in shaping both the military officers and civilian scientists of the U.S. Navy's Meteorology and Oceanography community.

On behalf of all of the men and women of the Naval Meteorology and Oceanography Command, RDML Tom Donaldson, V and I present our command plaque as a small token of our esteem and appreciation for your personal interest and professional contributions to the U.S. Navy.

Very respectfully,

Don L. Durham, Ph.D.
Technical & Deputy Director