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Atterbury-Muscatatuck welcomes new commander Story by Capt. Jessica Cates, Atterbury-Muscatatuck Public Affairs

CAMP ATTERBURY, Ind. – The Indiana National Guard’s training facility Atterbury-Muscatatuck received a new commander during a change of command ceremony here June 3.

Col. John Silva became the facility’s 37th commander, taking his place alongside the few officers who have been privileged enough to command Camp Atterbury, assuming the post from outgoing Commander Col. Richard D. Shatto who has held the post since December 2013.

The ceremony’s official reviewing officer was Maj. Gen. Courtney P. Carr, the Adjutant General of the Indiana National Guard and was held at the Atterbury Railhead and Deployment Center on post. In attendance were many Atterbury-Muscatatuck Soldiers and employees, local dignitaries, and many previous post commanders.

Maj. Gen. Carr spoke powerfully of the outgoing post commander, recalling the many new training venues that Shatto and his team have added to Atterbury-Muscatauck, taking the training facility into new heights after its sole mission of deploying Soldiers.

Col. Shatto will assume his new post as the deputy chief of staff to the director of the joint staff at Headquarters, Indiana National Guard.

Silva is a career engineer officer whose prior assignments were Deputy Director United States Property and Fiscal Officer Headquarters, Indiana National Guard and prior Deputy Commander of Atterbury-Muscatatuck.