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To: All USS Kennebec AO 36 Shipmates

Ref: agent orange

Dear Shipmates:

The USS Kennebec AO 36 has been placed back on the agent orange list for the Vietnam Era.

If you are having any health issues that are agent orange related you need to contact your county Veterans' Service Officer or a Veterans' Service Officer from one of the Veterans' organizations immediately. Disabled American Veterans' seem to be pretty good. My Barnes County Veterans' Service Officer, Angela Hunt, (701-845-8511) used the DAV. I got a 100% permanent rating for the heart issues. Other shipmates are also getting claims settled.

If anyone has any questions what forms need to be to fill out and how to fill them out they should contact Angela Hunt.

There are many benefits associated with a 100% rating besides the nice monthly tax free stipend. Military ID for shopping at commissaries, nor worry about nursing home care, just to mention a few.

AO Riders,

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