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**NORFOLK-WAYNE TRANSPORTATION
COMPANY MOBILIZED**

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LINCOLN, Neb.—The Nebraska Army National Guard's 189th Transportation Company has been notified that it will be mobilized for Operation Iraqi Freedom, Maj. Gen. Roger Lempke, adjutant general for Nebraska, announced today.

The 189th is headquartered in Norfolk and has a detachment in Wayne. Approximately 175 Soldiers from the medium truck company are affected by the order, which goes into effect in mid-August.

The 189th Transportation Company is responsible for providing transportation for the movement of containerized, non-containerized, palletized, dry and/or refrigerated containerized cargo, bulk water products and bulk petroleum products. The unit is equipped with 60 M-915 semi-tractor trucks.

Following their call-up, the Soldiers will undergo post-mobilization training at Ft. Riley, Kan. Upon completion of the training the unit will deploy overseas to the Central Command Area of responsibility in October, for the approximately year-long deployment. The unit's final destination is not being released at this time.

The mobilization brings the total number of Nebraska Army National Guard Soldiers mobilized to approximately 700, or 21 percent of the total force. Nearly 80 percent of the force remains available for homeland defense and other emergency response duties.