Cap, Hardface, MicroFleece, Cold Weather

Requirement
USMC Cold Weather ORD NO LOG 42.4 w/chg 1, 2, 3.

Overview
USMC adopted the Extreme Cold Weather Clothing System (ECWCS) in 1985 to replace Korean War era Cold Weather (EW) Clothing. Over the last 20 years USMC made periodic low risk product changes to improve material performance of selected layers with only minor design changes. Recent conflicts have identified the need to provide our Marines with better "Systemized" equipment and clothing.

The hardface micro fleece cap is intended for wear by male and female military personnel of the USMC in mountainous and cold weather environments. It will provide improved wind resistance, durability and water repellency when worn in intermediate to cold weather environments. It will be part of the Mountain /Cold Weather Clothing System and will ultimately replace/phase out the current micro fleece caps, PGC 02837.

Features
The hardface micro fleece cap is an updated version of the current micro fleece cap. The sizing has been adjusted to improve the fit and in order to assure the best fit for all Marines. The cap is available in two sizes - Small/Medium and Large/X-Large. The cap is Coyote in color. The material is 95% polyester and 5% spandex, (a Polartec Wind Pro Hardface) fleece which provides wind resistance, breathability and has a durable water repellent finish.

Fielding Status
AO for CIF (USMC): 230,000

Training
No training is required.

Supply/Logistics

Issue – 1 per Marine					
STAP	BP	MFR	I MEF	II MEF	III MEF
16,618	592	3,588	4,530	4,688	2,502

TAMCN: C10552F
ID. No: TBD
NSNs:

Nomenclature	NSN
SM/MD	8415-01-554-9623
LG/XL	8415-01-554-9632

On 26 Jan 09, the CMC directed that the cap be changed from a STAP to a CIF issue item for all Marines.

Production
Initial STAP fielding began in Nov 2006 and shipments were completed in 2008. Plan is to procure 230,000 caps in FY10 for CIF stocks. The current manufacturer of the cap is: Peckham Inc. (a NISH/JWOD facility).

Manuals
N/A