



US DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

# BLAST INJURY RESEARCH PROGRAM COORDINATING OFFICE

## Vehicles

### Product Manager Heavy Tactical Vehicles Armor Kit Production

During FY16, the Product Manager Heavy Tactical Vehicles (PdM HTV), Project Manager Transportation Systems of the US Army's Program Executive Office Combat Support and Combat Service Support continued production of armor kits for its fleet of tactical trucks. The contract with Fidelity Technologies Corporation (Reading, Pennsylvania) is working through its third of four years with over 1900 kits produced. PdM HTV, located at the Tank Automotive Command in Warren Michigan, manages a fleet of trucks including the Heavy Expanded Mobility Tactical Truck (HEMTT) (Figure 1), Palletized Load System, and Line Haul tractors. The Heavy fleet plays a large part of Product Manager Transportation Systems' role in support of the Soldier and represents a significant capability for the Nation by enabling the Army's sustainment of joint force's operations. These systems ensure Soldiers have the required supplies and equipment to enable mission accomplishment. The US Army has made significant investments over the recent conflict to modernize and protect its wheeled vehicles. To maintain those gains and US force's overmatch against adversaries requires sustained investment. One of those investments is protecting the Service Member and armoring the fleet. The PdM HTV team and partners have been able to ensure the production of armor kits during current times of world instability and fiscal uncertainty. The production of these armor kits supports the Service Member whenever and wherever needed around the world. The armor kit production also contributes towards the Army's 2014 Tactical Wheeled Vehicle Strategy objective.



**FIGURE 1:** HEMTT Armored Cab

