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## Ohio National Guard to conduct ribbon-cutting for new main security gate at Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base

COLUMBUS, Ohio — The Ohio National Guard will conduct a ribbon-cutting ceremony 10 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 17, 2012, for the Rickenbacker Air National Guard Base main entrance gate, located at 7370 Minuteman Way, Columbus, Ohio 43217.

The new gate encompasses 300 square feet situated on 3 acres. It is part of a \$1.95 million upgrade to the base entrance, combining \$1.6 million in federal funds and \$350,000 in State capital improvements funds, which provides greater control for the entry and exit of personnel.

The facility took 10 months to complete and provides the 121st Air Refueling Wing Security Forces a modernized gate, improving security not only for the Ohio Army and Air National Guard units stationed at Rickenbacker, but for the other tenants who previously were within separate security perimeters, including the Marine Corps, Navy and Army Reserve.

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EDITOR'S NOTE: News media are encouraged to arrive at least 30 minutes in advance, and media credentials will be verified prior to the ceremony.

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