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NEW JERSEY AGENT ORANGE COMMISSION TO RELEASE DATA

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The New Jersey Agent Orange Commission will release results from it's POINTMAN II study at a press conference to be held at 11 a.m. on Thursday, September 13, 1980 in Room 424, the State House Annex, Trenton.

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The POINTMAN Project is an on-going effort of the Commission and Rutgers University to determine the effect of the herbicide Agent Orange on Vietnam veterans. This phase of the project began in 1987, and has been measuring dioxin levels in the blood of Vietnam veterans who served in Army, Navy, and Marine Corps units. The details of this testing will be discussed by Commission researchers at the press conference.

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The Commission was created by the Legislature in 1980 and is the oldest state Agent Orange Commission in the United States. The results of the first phase of the project were published in the Journal of the American Medical Association in 1988.

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POINTMAN II STUDY GROUPS

Army: Second Battalion of the Eighth Infantry,
First Cavalry Division (Air Mobile)
(Army 2/8)

Service between October 1, 1968, and
December 31, 1968. (Tay Ninh Province,
III Corps, northwest of Saigon)

Fifteen men

Controls: Individually matched to Army men for
age, race, dates of service, rank.

Fifteen men

Marines: First through Third Battalions of the
Ninth Marine Regiment, Third Marine
Division
(Ninth Marines)

Service in 1967 and/or 1968.
(Northern I Corps near DMZ)

Twenty men

Navy: Small boat service, inland waters of
South Viet Nam

Service from 1967 on.

Twenty men