DMSMS 2012
Achievement Awards
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DMSMS 2012 Achievement Awards
The DMSMS achievement awards seek to recognize both teams and individuals who have demonstrated outstanding achievement in providing warfighters with increased operational readiness and capability through the proactive management of DMSMS. This award is sponsored by the DoD DMSMS Working Group and is open to teams and individuals from both DoD and Industry. This year’s panel focused on DMSMS activities exhibiting accomplishments in:

- Exceptional DMSMS Management of a Defense System or Enterprise
- Significantly improved quantifiable readiness levels
- Substantial cost avoidance(s) or saving(s)
- Exceptional warfighter support related to or realized through a DMSMS Issue
- Creation and/or implementation of a DMSMS “Best Practice” demonstrating high impact to the warfighter

A total of 18 nominations were received this year, all of which demonstrated varying levels of achievement and recognition in mitigating DMSMS within their respective organizations. I am proud to announce the eight DMSMS 2012 Achievement Award winners and two Special Recognition recipients:

**Lifetime Achievement:**
- Ms. Lynne Marinello, Aviation and Missile Research, Development, and Engineering Center, United States Army
- Mr. Ron Wong, NCI Information Systems, Inc.

**Individual Achievement:**
- Mr. Bill Kobren, Defense Acquisition University
Team Achievement:
- Unmanned Aircraft System Gray Eagle Obsolescence Working Group, United States Army
- F/A-18 & EA-18G Program Office PMA 265 DMSMS Team, United States Navy
- Space & C3I DMSMS Analysis and Resolution Team, United States Air Force
- Terminal High Altitude Area Defense Obsolescence Management Team, Missile Defense Agency

Enterprise Achievement:
- The Defense Logistics Agency Land and Maritime DMSMS/Generalized Emulation Microcircuit Program Office

Special Recognition:
- Mr. Louis Redding, Naval Supply Systems Command, United States Navy
- Mr. Thomas Sharpe, SMT Corporation

I extend my sincere congratulations to each of you. The awards and special recognition will be presented at the annual DMSMS & Standardization Conference in New Orleans, Louisiana, on Tuesday, August 28, 2012, by Mr. Stephen Welby, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for Systems Engineering.

Gregory E. Saunders
Director, Defense Standardization Program Office
Ms. Lynne Marinello

Branch Chief, Obsolescence Branch, U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Research, Development and Engineering Center (AMRDEC)

Ms. Marinello serves as Chief of the Army’s Electronics Obsolescence Management Branch of the Manufacturing Science and Technology Division, Aviation and Missile Research, Development and Engineering Center. She provides overall management and technical direction for support of more than fifteen aviation and missile PMOs across the Aviation and Missile Command as well as other organizations and services. She is widely recognized as a leader and a subject matter expert in electronics obsolescence management throughout the Department of Defense and the Industrial Base Community and is an active member of the DoD DMSMS Working Group. In addition to managing the branch, Ms. Marinello also actively supports multiple platforms on a day to day basis.

Upon Ms. Marinello’s entry into this branch of AMRDEC, she was one of only approximately 7 team members. She now leads the group of 15, and much of that growth is due to the dedication, vision and unfaltering leadership she provides on a daily basis. She has led the branch, through proactive support of multiple missile and aviation platforms, to capture over $300M in cost avoidance over the past five years. This accomplishment was achieved by effective and efficient use of a centralized data clearinghouse, standardized practices, collaboration with other services and industry, and automation of research and data management processes work to minimize the impact of obsolescence, achieve reductions in logistics footprint, and lower cost of ownership.

Ms. Marinello displays mission excellence in all she does.
Mr. Ron Wong

Program Manager, DMSMS Programs, NCI Information Systems, Inc.

Mr. Wong has been a leader in the DMSMS community for years. As an Air Force officer starting in supply chain management and working budget and financial issues, through a Federal career as a Program Manager responsible for logistics requirements on C-5, C-17, C-130 and propulsion systems, his career is highlighted with providing his skill and experience to many Air Force, Army and Navy customers. A significant contribution was the development of the DMSMS Center of Excellence (COE) to provide government and commercial information and a multitude of related data for anyone performing obsolescence analysis. He was instrumental in developing the COE into the DMSMS Knowledge Sharing Portal (DKSP) that recently went online on the DAU website. His experiences working sustainment Logistics in the Pentagon provided him the DoD perspective for obtaining and sharing obsolescence guidance, potential resolutions, data and assisting Congressional committees to fund supporting logistics programs.

Mr. Wong managed DMSMS Teams that won the Team Achievement Award in 2008 and two of his programs won again in 2010. He was in the original group of functional experts that developed the first DMSMS Plan Building Module with the Army’s Logistics Support Activity. His support of the DoD DMSMS Working Group and his participation in the DoD Parts Standardization Management Committee as the DMSMS Subcommittee Chair helped to bring two functional disciplines closer together. As the Program Manager for DMSMS Programs at NCI Information Systems, he continues to be an integral part of the DMSMS and Parts Management communities within the DoD that truly provide immense benefits to our warfighters worldwide.
Mr. Bill Kobren

Director, Logistics & Sustainment Center Defense Acquisition University (DAU)

Mr. Kobren is the Director of the Logistics and Sustainment Center of the DAU. Over the years, he has made many significant contributions to the DMSMS community. In 2004, he negotiated and executed the DAU-DLA DMSMS training, resulting in nearly a decade of collaboration on DMSMS initiatives. From 2004-2007, Mr. Kobren served as the DAU representative to DoD DMSMS Working Group. During that time, he also co-authored the Defense AT&L Magazine article entitled “Mitigating Diminishing Manufacturing Sources and Material Shortages”. He also proposed the idea for DMSMS Management Plan Tool functionality and engaged Army Logistics Support Activity to embed DMSMS into SYSPARS tool in 2005. From 2004 through 2006, Mr. Kobren worked with DSPO to field five web-based DMSMS training modules which produced more than 9,100 total graduates by July 2012. Since 2009, he wrote numerous posts on the Defense Acquisition Portal Director’s Blog. He moderated the Senior Leader panel at DMSMS 2007 and Product Support Manager panel at DMSMS Standardization 2012 conferences; manned outreach booth at four DMSMS conferences since 2005, and integrated DMSMS & Standardization information into range of DAU learning assets.
Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Gray Eagle, United States Army  

AMRDEC, UAS, CGI, AAI, General Atomics, L-3

The Army Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) Gray Eagle Obsolescence Working Group (OWG) supports the Army UAS Gray Eagle program that is currently in Low Rate Initial Production (LRIP) and is scheduled to go in to Full Rate Production (FRP) by April 2013 with plans to be sustained for twenty years. The Gray Eagle OWG team is comprised of representatives from the UAS Gray Eagle Product Office, General Atomics, AAI, L-3 and the Aviation and Missile Research, Development and Engineering Center (AMRDEC). The implementation of a proactive DMS/obsolescence approach has helped to identify risk early, develop cost effective solutions and execute mitigations before the program is negatively impacted. Within the UAS Project Office other Product Offices have instituted similar OWGs to manage DMS/obsolescence proactively and efficiently as a direct result of the Gray Eagle OWG’s success. The OWG monitors OEM and supplier BOMs tracking over 11,000 microelectronic/COTS/GFE parts. Through progressive work by the OWG the team has achieved over $1.2 million in cost avoidance based on 160 cases closed since 2010.

Team Members:
Mr. Jonathan Hill, – AMRDEC  
Ms. Brooke Nix, – AMRDEC  
Mr. Michael McRae, – UAS Gray Eagle Product Office  
Ms. Heidi Preston, – CGI  
Mr. Frank Kochanski, – AAI  
Mr. Wade Ichishita, – General Atomics  
Mr. David Penic, – General Atomics  
Mr. George Delabarre, – General Atomics  
Mr. Kasey Pearce, – L-3  
Mr. Jeff Felt, – L-3  
Ms. Jill Madsen, – L-3

Accepting on behalf of the Army Unmanned Aircraft Systems Gray Eagle Obsolescence Working Group is Mr. Jonathan Hill of AMRDEC Obsolescence Management.
F/A-18 & EA-18G Program Office PMA265 DMSMS Team

Naval Air Systems Command, The Boeing Company

The F/A-18 inventory exceeds 1,400 aircraft and currently continues to deliver an average of 40 new aircraft per year through 2016. From 2009 until January 2011, the Program of Record (total aircraft purchased) changed 4 times with an eventual increase of almost 100 aircraft. These baseline changes required PMA265 to develop several streamlined processes and some unique government/contractor collaboration. We initiated a contract clause that allows the OEM to protect parts prior to contact or funding being in place and in some cases; cover the upfront cost of the obsolete component. This allows PMA265 to adapt to emergent issues, work a contract strategy or move funding as appropriate. PMA265 has lower level ‘authority to proceed’ on obsolescence issues by dollar threshold in our organization.

The findings of a program wide ‘gap analysis’ identified 48 potential obsolete parts to the F/A-18 radar system. The team resolved these issues by conducting a summit which combined the efforts into a 2 day obsolescence review board. As a result of the summit, production on some parts was extended or sufficient quantities found to cover the program of record. This information revealed that PMA265’s liability was $38.8 million lower than the original estimate and manageable within the current budget.

Team Members:
Mr. Clark Butner – NAVAIR
Mr. Bill Marko – NAVAIR
Mr. Stephan Gallagher – Boeing
Mr. Caleb Tameling – Boeing

Accepting on behalf of the F/A-18 & EA-18G Program Office PMA265 DMSMS Team is Mr. Stephen Gallagher, Systems Engineer F/A-18 & EA-18G DMSMS.
Space and C3I DMSMS Analysis and Resolution Team

United States Air Force, NCI Information Systems Inc.

Space & C3I DMSMS Analysis & Resolution Team provided obsolescence solutions for 20 platforms and 80 systems in the sustainment phase and made significant contributions to improving the ability of our support to the frontline warfighters. The team’s outstanding closure of proactive cases led to significant improvements in readiness levels, including Retail Stock Effectiveness and MICAPs. The team raised the current retail stockage rate for Space systems 7.4% above the average of last year while C3I programs increased by 2.9%. MICAPs for Space systems was down by 64.7% from last year while C3I programs decreased 52.1%. A best practice included development of a comprehensive DMSMS Resolution Guidebook that details the analysis and resolution process to perform Problem Parts Report and Proactive case resolutions providing specificity on the processing of both reactive and proactive DMSMS cases. The team used Resource Analysis Corporation’s Supportability Management Assessment Report Tool to access multiple data sources to provide the baseline for analysis. The team achieved 175% of the return-on-investment contract goal while providing over 35,000 obsolescence solutions in the last 5.5 years that resulted in significant cost avoidance of over $250M to improve our support to the frontline warfighters.

Team Members:
Mr. Bill Dodge, – Project Technical Manager (retired)
Mr. Jeffrey Halvorson, – Engineer
Mr. Michael Jessop, – Engineer
Mr. Ronard Baxter, – Senior Logistician
Mr. Alan Cunningham, – Senior Logistician
Mr. Rex Butterfield, – Senior Logistician
Mr. Stanley McFadden, – Senior Logistician
Mr. Dominic Moscarelli, – Senior Logistician
Mr. Ron Wong, – Program Manager
Mr. Steve Rogers, – Vice President of Operations

Accepting on behalf of the Space and C3I DMSMS Analysis and Resolution Team is Mr. Alan Cunningham, the newly appointed Project Technical Manager.
THAAD Obsolescence Management Team

Missile Defense Agency

The Terminal High Altitude Area Defense (THAAD) Obsolescence Management Team, lead by Ms. Julie Smith, developed, implemented, and maintained, an aggressive Obsolescence Management Program over the past 6 years. The efforts of the team have resulted in the proactive identification and mitigation of potential obsolescence issues, eliminating or minimizing impacts to the production program. A critical component to the success of the THAAD Obsolescence Program was the establishment of an active Obsolescence Working Group (OWG). The OWG consists of empowered representatives from the within the THAAD Project Office and prime contractor representing: engineering, contracts, logistics, program management, cost estimating and analysis, subcontractors, and other subject matter experts, as needed. To date in FY12, the team has completed two obsolescence related Value Engineering initiatives and reported over $13M in cost savings. In addition, the team has reported over $43M in cost avoidance/savings over the past several years. THAAD is currently managing over 360 obsolescence cases in FY 12, affecting multiple US production buys and a foreign military sales (FMS) production buy. Mitigation plans have been developed, funded, and executed in order to meet the overall master schedule such that production are maintained ensuring of an overall higher system Readiness for the Warfighter.

Team Members:
Ms. Julie Smith, – THAAD Project Office Lead for Obsolescence
Ms. Cady Conklin, – THAAD Project Office Obsolescence Analyst
Mr. Mark Bramlett, – THAAD Interceptor Obsolescence Lead
Mr. Greg Wynn, – THAAD Interceptor Obsolescence Specialist
Mr. John Tomanio, – THAAD Launcher Obsolescence Lead
Mr. Broderick McDaniel, – THAAD TFCC Logistic Lead
Mr. Darryl Bartlett, – THAAD Project Office RAM/PMP Chief
Ms. Britney Brooks, – THAAD Acquisition Manager
Mr. David Rodgers, – THAAD Program Analyst
Mr. Mike Clark, – LM THAAD Supply Chain Program Manager
Ms. Vicki Lundquist, – Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company, THAAD Obsolescence Coordination/Management
Mr. John Drolette and Mike Lundy, – Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company, THAAD Interceptor Technical Leads
Mr. Robin Bridges, – Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company, THAAD Launcher and TFCC Obsolescence Technical Lead
Mr. Steve Spanogle, – Lockheed Martin Space Systems Company, THAAD Peculiar Support Equipment Obsolescence Technical Lead

Accepting on behalf of the THAAD Obsolescence Management Team is Ms. Julie Smith, THAAD Program Office Obsolescence Management Lead.
The Defense Logistics Agency Land and Maritime DMSMS/GEM Program Office

The DLA Land and Maritime DMSMS/GEM Program Office has been a leader in proactive DMSMS Management and Microcircuit Emulation activities for well over 30 years, and is a highly recognized and integral part of the DMSMS community. As demonstrated through their many accomplishments, warfighter support and involvement within the DMSMS community, many DMSMS concepts and “best practices” originated and were pioneered from this office. This DMSMS/GEM Program Office processed over 1,600 DMSMS notices, 2,100 NSNs, more than 100,000 parts and 380 weapon systems, while maintaining $150 million in DMSMS inventory; generating roughly $1.3 billion in cost avoidance this year. Their implementation of the Shared Data Warehouse DMSMS Management System provides an efficient and effective DMSMS mitigation process for war fighter support. The Team maintains $150 million DMSMS inventory, and has performed numerous continuous process improvement programs directed at improving DMSMS mitigation processes.

From establishing innovative state-of-the-art DMSMS and GEM cost effective and streamlined processes to mitigation of DMSMS issues for DLA and our warfighters, to providing education, training and support for the DMSMS community, the DLA Land and Maritime DMSMS/GEM Program Office is sought out for DMSMS leadership by DLA, DoD, the Services and industry for training, innovative “best practices” and leadership.

Team Members:
Mr. Mitchell R. Canty, – Team Lead
Mr. Thomas Beckstedt, – Equipt. Spec./GEM COTR
Mr. Charles Besore, – Engineer
Mr. Loan Chu, – Engineer
Mr. Alan Clark, – Engineer
Mr. Jeffrey Feick, – Engineer
Ms. Marcia Scott, – Item Manager
Mr. Nick Cushion, – Item Manager
Ms. Jennie Williams, – Equipment Specialist
Mr. Fred Shope, – Equipment Specialist

Accepting on behalf of the DLA Land and Maritime DMSMS/GEM Program Office DMSMS Team is Mr. Mitchell R. Canty.
Mr. Louis A. Redding
Naval Sea Systems Command

Mr. Redding acted to shape NAVSEA’s approach to the Diminishing Manufacturing Sources Material Shortages (DMSMS) challenge by creating a program that focuses energy on standard processes, improved communication templates, and increased data collaboration throughout the NAVSEA Enterprise. Mr. Redding took it upon himself to both establish and ultimately become chair of NAVSEA’s DMSMS Working Group. The Working Group was chartered in February 2011 and has brought together key representatives from NAVSEA Headquarters and key field Activities, as well as participants from NAVSEA’s five Program Executive Offices (PEOs).

Mr. Redding has also been the dominant force behind efforts to publish three guidebooks and has implemented an effective knowledge sharing program. Always alert to implement best practices, Mr. Redding is teaming with a core Working Group of PEOs and Field Activities to develop a NAVSEA Instruction. He has successfully focused his working group on challenges in three key areas that include Requirements Determination, Case Resolution and Candidate Identification. Mr. Redding’s accomplishments have earned him the endorsement of NAVSEA’s five PEOs and more importantly, has provided him with a platform from which to launch additional changes.

Mr. Redding is the unsung hero in NAVSEA’s efforts to create a DMSMS Program that is both forward thinking and based on common methods. He has been the man in the middle who works for common good. His approach helps program offices establish common ground and highlights the fact that his behind the scenes efforts are truly worthy of “front and center recognition”!

The Defense Standardization Program Office will accept on behalf of Mr. Louis Redding.
Mr. Thomas R. Sharpe

SMT Corporation

Mr. Sharpe, Vice President of SMT Corporation, has become the leading voice from the Independent Distribution sector in the fight against counterfeit components within the electronics industry. Over the past 4 years SMT Corporation has been the first to identify and document several previously unknown counterfeit process threats and the cutting-edge mitigation techniques needed to reliably detect them. SMT has consistently shared this important data with Government, Industry and all fellow electronic part distributors.

Mr. Sharpe was recently called upon to testify by the Senate Armed Services Committee in its formal investigation into counterfeit parts within DoD supply chains. Tom provided first-hand accounts of the huge counterfeit trade thriving within China as well as detailed examples of the constantly evolving counterfeit threats arriving on US shores within open-market supply chains. His contributions to DMSMS of significantly increased awareness through countless industry presentations and detailed “best practice” process data-sharing have helped provide higher levels of product integrity delivered in support of our warfighters yesterday, today and in the future.
Lifetime Achievement Award

2011 – Mr. David G. Robinson, DLA Land and Maritime, DMSMS Office
2010 – Mr. Charles ‘Chuck’ Marshall, ARINC Engineering Services, LLC
2009 – Mr. John ‘Jack’ McDermott, ARINC Engineering Services, LLC
2008 – Mr. Walter Tomczykowski, ARINC Engineering Services, LLC
2007 – Mr. William Shaw, ARINC Engineering Services, LLC
2007 – Mr. Ron Shimazu, Defense Microelectronics Activity

Team Achievement Award

2011 – Air Force, Hawker Beachcraft Corporation, L-3 Vertex, and BAE Systems
2011 – Naval Sea Systems Command
2011 – Naval Surface Warfare Center, Port Hueneme Division
2010 – Naval Air Systems Command DMSMS Team, US Navy
2010 – B-2 Obsolescence Mitigation Team, US Air Force
2009 – Apache Obsolescence Working Group, US Army
2009 – VIRGINIA Class Technology Refresh Team, US Navy
2009 – Intercontinental Ballistic Missile DMSMS Team, US Air Force
2009 – National Forging Tooling Database, Defense Logistics Agency
2009 – Defense Supply Center Columbus DMSMS Team, Defense Logistics Agency
2009 – Microcircuit Emulation Team, Defense Logistics Agency
2008 – B-1 System Program Office R&M DMSMS Team, US Air Force
2007 – NAVAIR DMSMS Management Team, US Navy
Individual Achievement Award

2011 – Mr. Mitchell R. Canty, DLA Land and Maritime, DMSMS Office
2011 – Mr. James S. Palmer, United States Marine Corps System Command
2011 – Ms. Victoria “Vicky” Skiff, Naval Undersea Warfare Center, Keyport Division
2011 – Mr. Steve Tanemura, The Boeing Company – Integrated Defense Systems
2010 – Mr. Wade La Moureaux, US Air Force
2010 – Mr. George ‘Ric’ Loeslein, US Navy
2010 – Mr. Donald ‘Myrl’ Leach, US Navy
2009 – Mr. Tony Hartling, BAE System
2008 – Mr. David Robinson, Defense Logistics Agency
2008 – Mr. Samuel Calloway, US Air Force
2008 – Mr. William Pumford, Government Industry Data Exchange Program
2005 – Mr. Brian Suma, US Army

Special Recognition Award

2011 – Ms. Nova Carden, Naval Surface Warfare Center
2011 – Mr. Eric DeBolt, Army Material Command
Ms. MarLa Medders, Army Material Command
2011 – Mr. Daniel DiMase, Honeywell International, Inc.
2009 – Mr. Henry Livingston, BAE Systems
2009 – Counterfeit Electronics Assessment Team, US Department of Commerce
2008 – Ms. Kelly Gibson, US Marine Corps