

DSA NEWS BRIEFS

U.S. Army Selects DSA to Support Knowledge Center



Kathleen Kirk

DSA has been providing support to the PEO C3T and its CIO since 1997 when the Army Chief of Staff initiated a long-term program to develop and deploy knowledge management throughout the Army, and designated the Army Acquisition Knowledge Center as one of the three pilot programs. Using web-based technology, state-of-the-art information technology, and process re-engineering, the Knowledge Center effort has increased access to the Army's corporate information, fostered collaboration, and improved efficiency, while overcoming barriers to geographic and organizational boundaries. The Knowledge Center currently has twenty thousand (20,000) users.

According to DSA Vice President Kathleen Kirk, "This four-year contract award represents a significant win for DSA, as it assures the continuation of DSA's relationship with the U. S. Army's Program Executive Office for Command, Control and Communications-Tactical (PEO C3T) and the support of its Chief Information Officer (CIO)."

AFCA Team Turns to DSA

Under the Air Force Network-Centric Solutions (NETCENTS) Award Schedule, DSA has been selected to carry out a \$3.5M multi-year task order for the Air Force Communications Agency (AFCA).

A subcontractor to Multimax, DSA will be responsible for assisting AFCA in forming and capturing the concepts necessary to create an Air Force net-centric environment, updating Global Combat Support System (GCSS) documents and specifications, and assisting in migrating functional applications to the Global Combat Support System (GCSS) AF Framework.



Bill Player

DSA Supports GEMSIS Program Management Office

What could be more important to our troops in the field than having equipment arrive that works? GEMSIS insures that fielded equipment will not experience frequency interference, and disparate communication systems can interoperate from a frequency management perspective. When DSA was selected to support this program, we were proud and eager to get the job done right.

The Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) established the Defense Spectrum Organization as a center of excellence for electromagnetic spectrum analysis, planning and support in May 2006. In October, DSA was selected to provide program management support to DISA's Global Electromagnetic Spectrum Information System (GEMSIS) Program Management Office.

GEMSIS is intended to provide capabilities for integrated spectrum operations across the entire DoD, in addition to interoperability with Federal, State and local government spectrum agencies and coalition forces.

According to Bill Jones, DSA Vice President, "Under the \$1M task order, DSA will be responsible for assisting DISA in forming and capturing the concepts necessary to create the documents and exhibits needed to initiate and complete its Milestone efforts."



Bill Jones

DSA's Identity Management Expertise Gains Fans and Clients

DSA is becoming a recognized leader in the Certification and Accreditation (C&A) of Homeland Security Presidential Directive 12 (HSPD-12) and Federal Information Processing Standards 201 (FIPS-201) compliant cross-credentialing and identity management solutions. Most recently, the company was awarded a contract from the Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) for Certification and Accreditation (C&A) of the VA's Personal Identity Verification (PIV) system.

This system will be used to issue secure and reliable credentials for access to federally controlled facilities and information systems. This system will be among the first to be certified and accredited as HSPD-12/FIPS-201 compliant.

"DSA is very proud to have won this contract, because it reflects a growing awareness of our identity management

expertise among Federal agencies as well as complete trust in our capabilities," said Bob Haas, DSA's Director, Network and Information Assurance Practice. "We expect to complete the C&A process before the government's HSPD-12 deadline."



Bob Haas

FiXs Update

DSA's VA contract award follows another recent announcement that DSA was chosen to conduct initial and periodic Risk and Security Compliance Assessments of all member companies belonging to FiXs, the Federation for Identity and Cross-Credentialing Systems. The FiXs contract was also awarded to DSA based on the company's successful track record in information security, which spans over 40 years and includes expertise in risk management, security compliance assessments, application and network security design, implementation and validation, secure operations, and continuity of operations planning.

President's Message



As 2006 draws to a close, DSA finds itself well-poised for a year of growth in 2007. In the second half of this year, our Federal business units won several significant contract recompetes, and were recipients of awards such as the 2006 Army

Knowledge Management Award. Our Life Science business unit also had a stellar year, with a noteworthy expansion in client base and service offerings. We anticipate a record year in 2007 for this unit.

At the time of publication of our last News Briefs, we were embarking on our second biennial Customer Satisfaction Survey. I am pleased to report we once more received high praise from our customers, as well as extremely useful feedback that was fully considered as we set our strategic direction and goals for the next three years at our Executive Retreat this November. To those of you who participated in the survey, thank you for taking the time to provide us with your insightful and forthright comments. I encourage you to contact me directly at any time should you have thoughts to share or questions regarding DSA's service offerings or support.

I wish you a safe, healthy, happy new year, and look forward to seeing you during 2007.

Frances R. Pierce

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PM Support to NCES Program Continues

One of the most significant wins of 2006 for DSA occurred this fall when the company was awarded a \$15.6M multi-year order from the Defense Information Systems Agency (DISA) to continue program management support for DISA's Net-Centric Enterprise Services (NCES) Program Management Office.

"This is a significant award that expands DSA's 40+ year relationship with DISA," said company President and CEO, Fran Pierce. "We understand and appreciate this program's value to the Department, and we are very proud to have been selected to support DISA's NCES team."

Under the order, DSA will be responsible for assisting DISA in moving the NCES program forward in its Milestone and implementation efforts.



TELLING DSA'S STORY

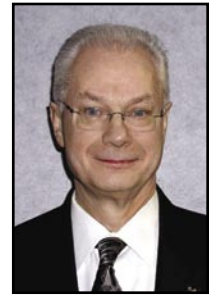
- ▶ Rob Russell moderated Lessons in Managing Data Breach Disclosure at the e-Gov 7th Annual Security Conference & Exhibition
- ▶ Doug Wagoner spoke at the Agile Combat Support Modernization Planning Conference, December 7

AWARDS & RECOGNITION

- ▶ **Army Battle Command Test Portal Developed by DSA Team Wins Top Award for Knowledge Management in Battle Command.**

DSA Team Wins Top Award for Knowledge Management in Battle Command

Roger Salomon, DSA Senior Vice President and General Manager, was thrilled to learn that a client initiative won top honors at the 2006 Army Knowledge Awards presented during the AFCEA LandWarNet Conference.



Roger Salomon

In the category of Knowledge Management in Battle Command, the award was given to the Army Battle Command and Enabler System of Systems (ABC&E SoS) Test Portal. The Portal was developed by a DSA-led team for the US Army Program Executive Office for Command, Control and Communications Tactical (PEO C3T) Chief Information Office.

Lynn Retterer, Project Leader for DSA, quickly assembled a skilled development team to meet the challenge of creating, within a tight timeframe, an application that would transform an enormous volume of data into an actionable set of information. The resulting ABC&E SoS Test Portal enabled all exercise participants to collaborate simultaneously on real-time situational awareness, issue resolution, and executive decision-making during the exercises in support of Warfighters.

A case study of DSA's work with the PEO C3T Chief Information Office is now available on our web site.



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