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Customer Support Group – Mr. Pete Marion:

- What progress have you made to “fix” your web site so that we can access it from an “.edu” or VPN network?
 - It has been addressed. If you are still having trouble connecting you need to contact the CIO directly to have your domain added to the exception list.

Technology Challenges and Integration and Interoperability Overview – Ms. Sandy Veautour:

- Regarding chart 3 of 10 (Immersive Technologies) – This is an interesting list from a technology standpoint, but how is the requirements process driving what goes on this list? I understand that Immersive Training is an emerging regulation, but how will our investment in these technologies enable soldier and marines to meet their training requirements vice just make a prettier simulation? What else should be on your list?
 - All technology challenges presented as based on the validated program requirements across the PEO (known ECPs, P3I, obsolesce planning, etc.). All investments in technologies are intended to enhance the training capabilities of the Soldier and provide a better training environment. We are looking to our industry partners to determine what else should be added to the list.
- How do we bid on the solutions required to meet the technologies that Sandy Veautour showed on her slides? Will they be on STOC II opportunities or other task orders on contracts?
 - There are several ways to address the challenges. BAAs, SBIRS, and STOC II are all valid mechanisms. These challenges are based in the program requirements and some might be included in the solicitations for the PORs.
- How long do you intend to operate the LVC-IC facility for barrier resolution/ identification?
 - The LVC-IC facility will continue to support the interoperability and integration objectives of the PEO as long as funding is available. Currently it is funded through FY 10.
- How can industry get access to excel spreadsheets or high priority technologies stated in Sandy’s presentation?
 - Will be posted with the TSIS slides
- Is the entire list of technology challenges posted somewhere for access by industry?
 - See previous question

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- How much money is available to address these technology challenges? Are you procuring these through STOC II, SBIRS, BAA's?
 - No specific funding amount is available. BAAs, SBIRS, and STOC II are all valid mechanisms. These challenges are based in the program requirements and some might be included in the solicitations for the PORs.

PM FFS – Mr. Jeff Simons

- You mentioned the interoperability of L-V-C. Are the interfaces between OneSAF, CCTT & HITS available to industry?
 - The interfaces developed by virtue of the Live, Virtual, Constructive Integration Cell (LVC-IC) have been documented in the LVC-IC build 0 final report. The LVC-IC initiative is in support of the PEO STRI strategic goal to achieve an Integrated and Interoperable (I2) test and training portfolio such that PEO STRI can provide enhanced capabilities to our Warfighters. The Product Manager for Warrior Training Integration (WTI), LVC initiatives team is authoring a publication for the LVC-IC that should be made available later this fall.
- What opportunities exist in the FFS PM Shop?
 - Several of the technologies identified in the brief support PM FFS (T3 on a single network is one, tracking in a GPS denied environment is another)

PM CATT – Mr. Francis Fierko:

- What is the driving force behind the change in acquisition strategy for SE Core and A&I and DVED? Why are they being combined into a single award/procurement?
 - Acquisition planning requires a continual assessment of the Government's requirements to ensure that they are satisfied in the most efficient and effective manner. When the SE Core program began in 2005, it was comprised of two distinct, but related, efforts: the Architecture & Integration (A&I) and the Database Virtual Environment Development (DVED) projects. Both efforts were focused on developing technologies and processes that would further the Virtual Simulation Architecture and the desire for common terrain databases and models. Over the past four years, both the A&I and DVED projects have made significant advances, to include being closely integrated with each other. Because of this technology and process maturation, the Government now believes a single, prime contractor can continue the development efforts of the DVED

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and A&I projects as a single effort, thus minimizing the potential for cost duplication and mitigating future integration issues inherent with coordinating multiple contracts.

PM CONSIM – COL Karen Saunders

- Why do you plan late FY awards when that puts your money at risk? (OneSAF)
 - RFI / RFR May 2010, Contract Award August 2010. Preposition our contract and transition so the bulk of the effort is FY 2011.

PM CONSIM – Devin Lyders

- What is the contract type that PM CONSIM expects to award for LVC-IA? T&M? FFP? CPFF? CPIF? Fixed Price Level of Effort? Or other? Could you elaborate on why you have chosen this contract type?
 - RFI Contractor input.
- Your chart shows RFP release 2010 and contract award January 2010?? What is the dollar value?
 - POM Currently \$145M
- What percentage of your dollars go to the Prime contractor; what percentage to the other elements?
 - 40-45% or 60 out of 145.

PM TRADE – COL Fred Mullins:

- DRTS Acquisition Strategy shows TBD. Are you looking to award a separate ID/IQ?
 - Separate ID/IQ is under consideration. No final decision has been made.
- Crew 2 - \$15M is that per year?
 - No. It's up to \$15M over 4 years (1 base year, 3 option). The funding amount will be based on receipt of funds from the customer units we are supporting (e.g. JIEDDO, Navy, etc). The dollar amount is subject to change based on funding profile and budget allocation.

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- It was mentioned that current strategy for ONE TESS is to merge with I-MILES. Previously discussed was possible merge with OT-TESS. What is current thinking regarding OT-TESS and ONE TESS merger?
 - Currently no plan to merge the two programs. There are some subtle but significant differences in the overall requirements between the programs. However, there is an effort to leverage capabilities, technologies and resources whenever possible. Examples are: common radio, Secure Communications Processor and a common waveform.
- Yesterday, PM TRASYS briefed I-TESS; any thoughts on working a joint program with them since ONE TESS has been reduced to NLOS system and had funding reduced?
 - There is no current plan at this time to work a joint program. We are communicating with PM TRASYS to leverage lessons learned and resources whenever possible.
- PM TRADE showed quite a few programs coming out 3rd quarter 09 and awards 4th quarter FY 09. Do you have enough contracting staff to meet these tight schedules?
 - There are 4 programs that fall under the above question.
 - Yes, we have enough contracting staff to support these efforts.
- At STOC II Award Meeting you briefed AVN TESS. What is the status?
 - Aviation TESS acquisition strategy and overall schedule was moved to the right based on work priorities, funding plan and requirement review. The program award was no longer in the TRADE TSIS timeframe that was briefed.
- Shall there be Set Aside Lots for CARTS and IMTS?
 - Both CARTS and IMTS will have a lot under full and open competition. CARTS will also have a small business set aside lot.
- Where will we use Carts?
 - CARTS does not replace or compete with the UOTS (IMTS) or DRTS contracts. It supplements them.
 - CARTS will be used where ranges (generally smaller than a MPTR) need some kind of modernization (cameras, new targets, new controllers, etc.).
- Is UOTS part of IMTS? Is it a separate contract vehicle? Industry day has been scheduled.
 - UOTS is the overall modernization contract and contains the following programs
 - IMTS (generally CACTFs, UACs and Shoot Houses)
 - Mobile MOUT program
 - CTC MOUT IS (MOUT System modernization at CTCs)

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- What is the advantage of awarding CPM and IMTS outside of STOC II?
 - The proposed strategy of awarding CPM and IMTS outside of STOC II as single award IDIQs is required in order to execute future unknown requirements on the CPM and IMTS contracts that will not be definitized at the time of initial award. This flexibility allows the continuation of the LT2 business model of maximizing efficiencies across the common product line, while providing support to multiple programs and agencies.
- What is the rationale for competing Consolidated Product Management (CPM) outside of STOC II? And Integrated MOUT Training Systems (IMTS)?
 - See answer above.

Foreign Military Sales – Mr. Mark Pye:

- How much ability is there to “Shape” FMS requirements in those opportunities?
 - As a Materiel Developer and Acquisition Agency PEO STRI does not drive requirements, and the same is true for FMS programs. However, in FMS, there is what's referred to as Pre Letter of Request (Pre LOR) activities. During this phase PEO STRI works with the US Offices of Defense Cooperation (ODC) to help determine the optimal materiel or service solution to meet the requirements as stated by the foreign customer.