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New Streamlined DoD 5000 Series

USD (AT&L) has made a major change in the plan to produce and issue the new streamlined DoD 5000 series. The current DoDD 5000.1, DoDI 5000.2 and DoD 5000.2-R are scheduled to be canceled 30 Sep 02. In their place, an interim guidance memorandum will be issued with an attachment for acquisition policy and another attachment for acquisition procedures. The interim guidance memorandum will be officially coordinated with the Director, Operational Test and Evaluation (DOT&E); Assistant Secretary of Defense, Command, Control, Communication and Intelligence (ASD (C³I)); and General Council (GC). Current plans call for issuing the new streamlined DoDD 5000.1 and DoDI 5000.2 within 120 days after the issuance of the interim guidance memorandum.

DAU CLC Offers New Course on the Government Purchase Card

The Defense Acquisition University (DAU) Continuous Learning Center (CLC) has announced a new online course on the Government Purchase Card. This four-hour course, worth four Continuous Learning Points (CLPs), presents ten lessons that include the mandatory requirements and other guidelines to consider and apply as appropriate when using the Government Purchase Card. This course is designed for the entire acquisition workforce, including AT&L workforce members, program managers, acquisition logisticians, sustainment logisticians, contracting personnel, and defense contractors. The new module is available to all users of the DAU (CLC) at clc.dau.mil.

Seven Steps to Performance Based Service Acquisition Guide now Available

DoD, the Department of Commerce, Department of the Treasury, GSA, USDA, and Acquisition Solutions have established an interagency-industry partnership to establish the Seven Steps to Performance Based Service Acquisition Guide. The intent of the guide is to make the subject of performance-based acquisition accessible and logical, and to shift the paradigm from the traditional "acquisition think" into one of collaborative, performance-oriented teamwork with a focus on program performance, improvement, and innovation—not simply contract compliance. Performance-based acquisition offers the potential to dramatically transform the nature of service delivery and to permit the federal government to tap the enormous creative energy and innovative nature of private industry. See the guide at oamweb.ossec.doc.gov/pbsc/index.html.



PROGRAM FOCUS: Experimental Diving Unit

NAVSEA's Navy Experimental Diving Unit (NEDU) has made strides to expedite their procurement process by implementing the Standard Procurement System (SPS). The approach fosters the Navy's support of the DoD paperless acquisition initiative, making the simplified acquisition process at NEDU 100% paperless from cradle to grave. The electronic requisition, including quotes and sole source justifications, is forwarded electronically to appropriate personnel for all in-house approvals (technical screening, Information Technology Manager, Comptroller's office, and Procurement Review Board). After all approvals are obtained, it is electronically forwarded to the Contracting Officer for review/acceptance. After electronic peer review, the simplified acquisition is awarded and distributed electronically. All awards are posted on NEDU's Intranet. A system for vendors to electronically submit invoices to the fiscal office for certification also has been established. This ability to think outside the box and deploy SPS to all participants in the acquisition cycle is innovative and supports DoD acquisition reform goals for electronic commerce and paperless initiatives. For details on this program, contact Chris Diehl, POC, at (850) 230-3191.

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Program Management Community of Practice Membership tops 2000!

The Program Management Community of Practice (www.pmcop.dau.mil) membership passed the 2000 mark on August 30th, 2002. Since its inception in October of 2001, the Program Management Community of Practice has grown and improved, thanks to your input and feedback. Spread the word and continue collaborating!

KUDOS

The Assistant Secretary of the Navy for Financial Management and Comptroller (ASN (FM&C)) has awarded the ASN (FM&C) Annual Team Award to NAVSUP's Conference Room Pilot (CRP) team for their efforts in using a commercial software package to consolidate financial information into one source, creating an efficient, streamlined process that reduces time-consuming data research. For more details please see www.navsop.navy.mil/news/wire/index.jsp#03.

Upcoming Events

25–28 Sep 02 Ship Production Symposium, International Symposium and Maritime Exposition, Society of Naval Architects and Marine Engineers, Boston, MA (www.sname.org/AM2002/)

28–31 Oct 02 Department of Defense Maintenance Symposium and Exhibition: "Maintenance - Turning Logistics Resources into Readiness," Reno Hilton, Reno, NV (www.sae.org/calendar/dod/)

For an expanded list of the upcoming events and additional details, visit www.ar.navy.mil/events.cfm.

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