

WAWF/UID/RFID
Industry Meeting Minutes
(Data Capture & Delivery)
July 6th – 7th, 2005



WAWF Update Dave Guinasso

- **WAWF releases will be scheduled as 2 releases per year going forward.**
- **Version 3.0.9 – Production 12/2005**
 - ECP 001 – IAPS
 - ECP 132 - Missing GAM functionality
 - ECP 171- VPIS Acknowledgement
 - ECP 257 – EDA Access to Line Item Pricing Info for Other than Prime Contractor
 - ECP 276 – Allow QAR to select multiple R/R's
 - ECP 305 – UID (Batch and Lot)
 - ECP 318 - Allow WAWF Process Service Receiving Reports to MOCAS
 - ECP 320- PIIN/SPIIN EDIT
 - ECP 328 - GFP Receipt and Acceptance Notification of Government Property Phase I (DD1149)
 - ECP 331 - Accounting for UID and RFID/Packed Data on Zero Quantity Shipments
 - ECP 334 - Allow Vendor to create Commercial Invoice from archived Receiving Report
- **Version 3.0.10 – Production 6/2006**
 - ECP 4 – Interfaces to Legacy Systems – ERP – Navy Coverage
 - ECP 282 – DSS Phase II
 - ECP 328 - GFP Receipt & Acceptance Notification of Government Property – Phase II
- **WAWF**
 - When will WAWF capability for Corrections be available? **MOCAS re-host is at least a year away, the true correction process will be addressed at that time**
 - Will there ever be an "In Work" folder for contractors to prepare and save draft delivery documents, but not submit them until ready? – **no near term plans for this**
 - Possibility of a REF Segment for Initiator Comments (instead of PID) - **need industry to write the specific request, Jim Craig has someone working on the feasibility of using the REF**
 - Service Line Items - when will they be added to WAWF - **Version 3.0.9**
 - Non DoD Agencies – any schedule for WAWF? - **Must get DoD up first. Then must address the non-DoD specific issues and business rules. It will take some work but there is a lot of interest.**
- **WAWF Guides - Email Jim Craig if you are interested in reviewing guides before a release**

WAWF Update

- Confirmation of EDA link to be disconnected (target date still end of year? For cage code extensions only?) – **will have the option to turn on/off by cage extension**
- WAWF Status Messages via X12-864... Will there ever be reverse EDI from WAWF for contractor capability to validate processed shipments and payments (versus e-mail)? – **team identified to write a requirements document for data needed in a structured document**
- **UID Reporting in WAWF**
 - Zero lot 856 with UID information - when can WAWF handle? - **Version 3.0.9**
 - How does WAWF/UID registry handle duplicate UIDs especially for repair items? Does the DD get rejected? – **WAWF does not check for duplicates**
 - WAWF is there a restriction for the number of UIDs that can be accommodated per Line Item? - **no**
 - Industry first heard that embedded item UID-related data submittals would be via other means than WAWF to Registry -- still true or is plan now to use WAWF as gateway/conduit? – **industry team has been identified to develop a white paper on pros/cons of submitting through WAWF.**
 - In the "Data Submission Information" webpage of the DPAP UID website, various data elements labeled as "Mark Data" (e.g., "Bagged or Tagged Code", "Added or Removed Flag", etc.) are cited in the Appendix A tables as required data reporting requirements even though they are neither defined nor listed as required reportable elements in the Final Rule DFARS clause on UID. Where are these elements defined, and will WAWF be the conduit for submittal of these also? Via MIRR or other? – **WAWF capability evolving with the GFP requirements**
 - Why do we need a unit price with UID when unit price is a not used field in the FTP/wawf guide. During testing I found that unless there is a unit price with UID it creates a WAWF error. Can line 16D be modified to make unit price optional and update the FTP/Wawf guide to reflect this change. - **Confusion is a result of the guide not clarifying which unit price is read by WAWF**
 - Has a resolution been identified regarding Direct Ship Receiving Reports capturing the Prime's value for UID? Couldn't something similar to the RFID resolution be incorporated (when the RR must be signed off prior to the RFID info and then a resubmittal is allowed) -

WAWF Update

- **RFID Reporting in WAWF**
 - Combo Transaction Support for RFID - WAWF team looking into it
 - Pack later process, will it be the full 856 file - what if it does not match? - the data will be ignored. Only the required data fields identified in the WAWF guide must be matched to the original transaction
- **GFP through WAWF**
 - How will WAWF be modified to accommodate PIPC? When will WAWF be PIPC ready? – GFP receiving/acceptance in 3.0.9 - will go to the UID registry only (not to the payment office) and will integrate with logistic centers later. Will not route for an approval, but will have acknowledgement of custody.
 - Will WAWF ever have capability to process DD-1149? Incoming and Outgoing? DD1348 Capability? Consider the action of shipment of government property, not the use of a form DD1149 or DD1348. It will probably look like an EDI 856 without inspection/acceptance.
- **UID Registry**
 - Access to the UID Registry – Supplier access? Ability to make corrections to the registry by the vendor will be available by the end of the year
 - Corrections to the UID Registry - UID Schema can be used for update, but not for correction...correction process still being defined
 - Autofeed to UID registry – Guides show UIDREG – Bruce, Maggie to research
 - Of 40,000 entries received at the UID registry, 8,000 contained errors such as Non-ascii to text, leaving off data, malformed transactions
 - Helpdesk would like for us to test with a new data stream before sending to registry...contact is Maxwell Westmoreland @ ngc.com
 - Working on an API to support a query to the registry – will publish instructions on the web page.

WAWF Update

- **New WAWF Fields, miscellaneous questions**

- *St. Louis SM&P have requested the addition of a PO# field to assist with direct ship submittals (for Accounts Payable side) Also would add much value to then have that PO# data populate the emails*
- *The DCMA QAR cannot tell if the Receiving Report is a MICAP or just a normal shipment. Knowing this would help in prioritizing their work. - Priority code is not a required field now – Dave will take a look, but this relates to many other processes*
- *If the DCMA QAR knew the date the Receiving Report was submitted when first logging on, they could address the oldest documents first if time was limited. -date sort is available now*
- *A Non-Billable flag for items such as Kits and Loose Equipment would greatly increase the percentage of documents that could be processed via WAWF. We were sending these in the beginning, then DCMA began to get kick outs when the data was sent to MOCAS and a decision was made to not process these because WAWF had no way to not send these to MOCAS. – will be addressed by the property implementation in WAWF*
- *San Antonio has no more manual DDs through WAWF. However, between 150 to 200 DDs reject monthly on the government side between WAWF and MOCAS due to the improper classification of the contract by the government e.g. services vs supplies. We've had several meetings and discussed the issue with the KC135 Program DCMA/ACO, to no avail. Because these reject a DCMA analyst manually inputs from a WAWF reject list into MOCAS. Please communicate this fact to your DCMA counterparts. – Darcy Smith to send Dave information on the contract. Repairs are technically services but needs to be managed as supplies because there is an end-item deliverable. Need to write the set of rules for processing this.*
- *Plan for Health & Status monitoring at Ogden? – send email addresses to WAWF program manager for those who would like to receive communication from Ogden concerning outages/issues (Bernadine Bowyer (bernadine.bowyer@disa.mil))*

UID Update & DD1662 Transition *LeAntha Sumpter/Lydia Dawson*

- **Industry Working groups**

- *OSD UID office views this AIA group as a tactical level group, to provide feedback/pulse on how well UID/WAWF and RFID are being implemented*
- *ILAG – This group is more strategic in nature and includes industry leaders from each company (NDIA lead)*
- *GEIA – working to analyze and share marking test results to publish in a common format across companies*

- **Integration with the Government Property systems**

- *Currently engaging the services to understand starting with the data level – who does what to get data into the Property system. Plan is to document as-is and to-be...build transfer processes based on WAWF*
- *Writing a property concept of operations to be sure property issues are addressed*
- *Purchase Card process issues - mapped out this process since this causes the most grief at the data integration level*
- *Blending the UID registry and WAWF functionality – will come up with a plan and put it in front of this group, UID, WAWF, and Property owner*
- *GFP XML transaction goes straight to the registry for the legacy data entry, used to establish pedigree*

- **Communication to Industry**

- *Post meeting minutes to UID website and AIA website. Coordinate with James Clark*

UID Update & DD1662 Transition

DD1662 Transition

- Timeline has not changes for discontinuing the DD1662*
- Those contractors who transition their GFE baseline report into the registry by May, 2006 will no longer be required to generate DD1662*
- Capability for transmitting to the registry with a User defined format rather than the XML 3.0 schema will be available by July 15th*
- Contractor who is GFP reporting to the UID registry - Contact PCO and identify what was put in the registry, PCO can randomly spot check what is in registry and eliminate the DD1662 requirement*
- Real Property – registry is not ready, continue to use existing real property systems. Real property registry will be called RPUID Registry...once built, future reporting will come from that system, not from the contractor.*
- Services will have the responsibility to collect and report to the RPUID registry.*
- Contractor acquired property will stay in contractor system until it becomes GFP*

RFID Kathy Smith/Brad Cougher

- **RFID Process**

- *Moving from MILS (military standard 80 char card format, fixed length) to DLMS (Defense Logistics version of the ANSI X.12, variable length)*
- *DAASC determines whether to convert to MILS or DLMS before sending to the receiving system*
- *DLA guidance document can be found at www.dod.rfid.org, but always use WAWF web site for all guidance on transactions that transmit through WAWF*
- *Group suggests that data submittal direction be put on both RFID and WAWF websites and be clear who is the intended audience*
- *DD1149 will be sent through WAWF and may contain RFID data - Property development in WAWF will support this.*
- *What happens when the UID/RFID is not there? Contractual requirement will determine action by approver... the application rules will not drive acceptance/rejection*
- *What is the timeframe to deliver pack later transaction after the initial receiving report acceptance? No delivery deadline has been established for sending the pack data.*
- *If a contractor wants to volunteer to beta RFID data through WAWF instructions are on the website <http://www.acq.osd.mil/log/rfid/index.htm> JITIC and the depot will read data and load it to DSS system*
- *Military Shipment label will not be replaced with the RFID label... WAWF allows more address info, the Military Shipping label crops it off. MILS transactions are less than what the 856 allows.*
- *What is the strategy for item level RFID – plan to implement in 2007*
- *Classified programs used closed systems – we won't address that at these meetings*
- *Consider using RFID on the kit and not put UID on the kit... This will be reviewed and team may work through the business rules, potentially could be used as an inventory device as well.*

Supplier Data Package Bill Zirkel

- **Supplier data package**
 - *Templates will be provided as a common tool to communicate UID data among industry partners*
 - *UID Types – designator on UID for a UID2 to indicate use of part# or batch/lot? There will be no differentiation in the UID registry.*
 - *UDEF – DoD has plans to use STEP and PLCS, not UDEF*
 - *AIA team will route package to NDIA and GEIA after internal review cycle*

Navy Update Bruce Lowrey

- **Navy Implementation - action items**

- *Please communicate the need for Section G of the contract to include the LPO code. (Bruce Lowrey)*
- *Who do we contact when a Navy acceptance office is not trained on WAWF? (Industry is to communicate details to Bruce Lowrey)*
- *Will the LPO codes ever go away? Finance decision to use this process. Is there duplication in the Navy certification process? They have a plan to revisit the process. (Navy)*
- *Provide list of navy acceptor codes for DD250s and LPO codes for invoices that are not WAWF capable and the impact of sending paper. (Industry focus group lead Jan Wilhelm)*
- *Collect statistics on the impact of amended shipping instructions if they are not loaded timely. Need statistics that include DD250 recycle times and what contracting system is involved (Industry focus group lead Sandra Perrin)*
- *Co-tar signoff even on direct submission authority – contract requires it. How do we address this?*
- *Navy approval requirement in some contracts conflicts with the electronic invoicing requirement...no way today to route to a second approver. (Industry focus group lead Jan Wilhelm to send Bruce Lowrey contract numbers)*

WAWF Services Update Dave Guinasso

- **Statistics**

- Receiving Reports volume was 73% in May, goal is 89% of source acceptance
- Invoicing volume was 75% electronic in May, goal is 93%
- 40,000 vendors are registered in WAWF with 20,000 cage codes

- **Services**

- Marine corps fully committed
- Army – committed, trying to get their plan published, reallocating DoDaacs, short term pain but will happen
- Navy – technical reasons that 1/3 cannot go WAWF. In Jan 7% went through wawf
- DCMA – 100% should be able to go through WAWF...working on grants capability - Jan Wilhelm to provide sample
- Copy Dave and Bruce Lowrey on Navy contract specifics that need WAWF activation

- **Withhold Pilot**

- DFAS is ready to get started, Lockheed Martin, Boeing, Northrop Grumman to participate in pilot
- The pay office DODAAC code will include an extension of “WTH” on both the Receiving Report and the Invoice
- The Acceptance Advice code on the RR will be set to “A” to indicate a ship short and the specific withhold will be described in the descriptive text or in an attachment.
- The CLIN price will carry the full value and will not reflect the withhold amount documented in the description
- If UID exist, it will be processed normally
- DFAS will turn off API and manually adjust payment amount after receiving the .WTH extension on the Receiving Report
- Boeing is piloting the electronic withhold release now

WAWF Services Update

- **Miscellaneous Invoicing Discussion**

- a paper invoice cost two times as much at DFAS as an electronic invoice to process
- If a PBP contains over 99 lines it can be split into two invoices because of the WAWF limitation.
- Look at the website www.dcma.mil under E-invoicing - various policy letters and tasking memos are published here
- ACRN worksheet is dictated by payment request type and contract requirements.
- How can we report Serial numbers when UID is not required – WAWF team looking at a solution. Nancy Robinson nbrobinson@raytheon.com to be focal point for collecting specific contract information from industry concerning this issue
- How to handle approvals for any contract that requires approval when the cage code is designated as direct submittal? – This is contrary to DCMA policy – send Dave the contract information when this is being required
- Navy approval requirement in some contracts conflicts with the electronic invoicing requirement...no way today to route to a second approver – send Bruce Lowrey contract information
- Will there ever be WAWF reporting capability for contractors? - not an easy task – specific canned reports/requests should be identified. Bernadine Bowyer will provide a contact for us to request reports
- WAWF date stamps – should be when received as opposed to when approved? - Jim Craig – WAWF keeps the original invoice receipt date and DFAS has access to that information, they determine if date should be modified.
- Status of FMS Partials when batched EDI/FTP – in Version 3.0.9
- SAMMS invoices with a clin of 9900 through 9999 not allowed in WAWF – SAMMS issue, WAWF cannot address
- Where do we find LPO codes? – should be in section G of the contract, highlight issue to Bruce Lowrey

Industry Focus Groups/Meeting Plans

- **Assessment of Paper Transactions**
 - Identify non-standard payment processes and the impact these processes are having on payment
 - Jan Wilhelm (lead), Nancy Robinson, Kevin McRae, Brandi Smith, Sandra Perrin
- **Amended Shipping Instructions**
 - Collect statistics and report on the impact of amended shipping instructions if they are not loaded timely. Need statistics that include the DD250 recycle time and what contracting system is involved
 - Sandra Perrin (lead), Darcy Smith
- **Acceptance Transaction Requirements Document**
 - Develop a set of requirements for a structured Acceptance/Rejection transaction
 - Andy Z (lead), Evelyn Thompson, Mark Robinson, Greg Tsiknas
- **Embedded UID Reporting**
 - Produce a white paper concerning the potential of reporting embedded items in WAWF
 - Darcy Smith (lead), Dick Erickson, Susan Pucelik, Ann Stansbarger
- **Follow-on Meetings**
 - Monthly focus group meetings with notification to general distribution list
 - Trimester Meetings suggested as opposed to twice yearly