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Ms. LeAntha Sumpter, (Deputy Director for Program Development and Implementation, Defense Procurement & Acquisition Policy in the Office of the Under Secretary of Defense for AT&L) presents Mr. Juan Arratia with the eBusiness Individual Contribution Award.





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Mr. Arratia, a procurement analyst with contract experience in the US Marine Corps received the eBusiness Individual Contribution Award presented at the Defense Procurement eBusiness Conference, April 6-8th 2009, Denver, Colorado.

Over the past two years, he has mastered the interfaces between Wide Area WorkFlow (WAWF) and the Navy Financial and Procurement Systems. He is the Department of the Navy's premier expert on WAWF. In his efforts to increase WAWF implementation, he has mastered the requirements and capabilities of the Navy's financial systems; becoming a true expert on the information management systems for the Department's Acquisition Community.

Mr. Arratia has successfully identified the critical barriers to the Department of the Navy's use of WAWF. He has steered Navy Commands and the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) toward the common ground of system synchronization and procedure changes. He has additionally led the testing by these commands ensuring their stakeholder and ultimate use of WAWF in their daily business practices. Mr. Arratia is instrumental in laying the groundwork for Navy ERP to be aligned with WAWF Standards and in synch with the future of the Department of Defense's eBusiness architecture.

Mr. Arratia's tireless efforts in educating the Department of the Navy and working with Business Transformation Agency (BTA) have resulted in more than a 25% increase in WAWF usage over the past year. The Department processed over a million invoices and receiving reports through WAWF in 2008.

Mr. Arratia has clearly identified the process improvements and system synchronization requirements for the Department to attain a 93% usage rate with attributable savings applicable across the DOD.

Mr. Arratia's key to success is two fold. First, he has fully embraced that successful implementation of powerful and encompassing systems such as WAWF lies in finding the optimization of standardization of processes and the flexibility of systems to accommodate truly unique and critical operational requirements. Second, he devoted his energy to mastering the functional requirements of the procurement and financial community to understand and clearly convey the power of WAWF to users. Mr. Arratia is an integrator of ideas, cultures, and people. Ultimately all are required for a facilitator of eBusiness integration for systems such as WAWF.

