

Team Excellence Award

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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 team members of the SPS Server Consolidation Team with an eBusiness Team Excellence Award.



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During the 2011 Defense Procurement eBusiness Conference, held in March 2011 in Orlando, Florida, the US Army SPS Server Consolidation Team was presented with the eBusiness Team Excellence Award. Team members include Mr. Tom Evans, Ms. Ylander Jones, Mr. Gregory Youmans, Mr. Richard Depew and Mr. Scot Stitely.

This team is the Army's primary project management team supporting the consolidation of all Army SPS databases, CONUS and OCONUS. The team represents a collaborative effort between the Office of the Deputy Assistant Secretary of the Army for Procurement (DASA(P)), US Army Contracting Command (ACC) and Headquarters to streamline the database management of the global SPS environment.

Driven by necessity, the Army elected to consolidate servers in one, centralized, hosted environment at the US Army Acquisition, Logistics, and Technology Enterprise Systems and Services (ALTESS) facility in Radford, Virginia. By doing so, the Army drastically reduced its dependency on client-server environments affected by changes in commercial software practices. In addition, the Army also reduced its Total Ownership Cost (TOC) by 63%, resulting in significant savings to individual contracting activities.

The most significant benefits of the Army's SPS consolidated environment is the Standardization of hardware platforms across the Army, enabling the rapid deployment and delivery of software releases and updates to the field, centralized the reliability, availability and maintainability of the hosted applications, and the consolidation of our Continuing of Operations (COOP) and Disaster Recovery (DR) requirements. Through these consolidation efforts, the Army has realized a dramatic workforce reclamation by returning contract specialists (1102s) to the contracting workforce.

With the current deployment, the Army has now successfully consolidated 80 contracting activities (5,000+ users, of which approximately 2,500 are concurrent users); the next two largest Army SPS environments to undergo transitions are the US Army Corps of Engineers and the National Guard Bureau.

“In recognition of the team’s outstanding leadership to streamline database management of the global SPS environment.”

