

UNIQUE IDENTIFICATION (UID) PROJECT

TECHNICAL INTERFACE WORKING GROUP – OCTOBER 16, 2003 MEETING SUMMARY

Attendees:

See accompanying attendee list.

Notes

- Attendees updated on UID and current status.
- Current item marking efforts with CH-47 is providing valuable insight.
- Benefits that unique item marking will enable:
 - Clean audits
 - Total asset visibility
 - Improved data quality
 - Improved life-cycle item management
- Five enterprise identifiers are recognized in the UID world:
 - CAGE/NCAGE
 - DUNS
 - EAN.UCC
 - DODAAC
 - ANSI T1.220
- Two types of markings identified to capture UID information:
 - UID itself
 - UID equivalent (possible examples are GIAI, GRAI, VIN)
- It is the intention of UID Registry to contain information at the “birth” of an item only, and not to track its status or movement over the life of the item.
- The group reviewed a high level simplified diagram of the data flow through Wide Area Work Flow (WAWF) and Defense Electronic Business Exchange (DEBX)
- DLIS in Battlecreek is working on a prototype registry.
- Initial Operating Capability (IOC) scheduled for April, 2004.
- DFARS case is now available on-line, as well as the UID Implementation Guide (www.uniqueid.org)

Break Out Sessions

- The break-out sessions reviewed the current list of data elements to determine if any should be removed or added.
 - The “ship-to” element may be removed. The TIWG will resolve.
 - There were no elements identified that were universally agreed upon to be added. Several potential elements were identified that will be directed to the

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appropriate working groups for further discussion and resolution. See action items above.

- General discussion around acceptance, inspection, and receiving regarding ownership transfer, as well as the capture of information for both financial and logistic uses.
- Disagreement around whether to include warranty in the UID registry.
- Suggestions and comments on the data elements from the break out sessions were captured and incorporated into the meeting presentation and the data elements worksheet (see attached October 16 Meeting_v3a.ppt and UID TIWG Data Elements 8.xls).

Issues

- The group discussed issues around shipping labels and how to confirm what is in the box against what is on the label. There is not a lot of data to understand the root cause of the frustrated freight but there are lots of pictures that demonstrate the symptoms.
- A major issue for DoD will be the disposition of unmarked items.
- Another major issue for industry is the cost allocation for pro-rating non-recurring costs.

Action Items

Forward to Item Marking Business Rules Team:

- Answer the question: Could a UID ever be changed if the item was modified significantly enough to change the form, fit or function?
- Resolve the question: How do we mark liquids (i.e., fuel, metals)
- Reopen the idea of Construct 3 with Lot and Batch

Forward to TIWG (smaller group):

- Are there receiving report issues that are not addressed in WAWF? (raised by Mark Reboulet)
- Develop a business rule for the UID Registry that determines how to record a disposal or termination of an item
- Develop a business rule for making a correction to a UID record in the UID Registry once the record has been created
- Research definitions of data items and confirm that they are consistent and clearly defined
- Determine optional vs. required fields
- How to tie standard document number to 861, 857, and 527

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- Determine linkages to other systems (financial systems, maintenance systems, contract logistics system, etc.)
- Categorize the Data Elements into:
 - Final items for IOC
 - Additional items that are necessary but will not be available for the IOC
 - Other items that require investigation

Forward to Property Management Business Rules Team:

- Resolve what is the appropriate data field to capture in the UID Registry to point the user to more information on the item

Forward to Engineering:

- Do we need Drawing Number in the UID Registry?

Forward to Warranty users:

- Determine what may need to be captured for warranty (may involve a DFARS rule)

Forward to Finance users:

- How will costs for intangibles be allocated?