

Individual Contribution 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 Ms. Rebecca Beck with the eBusiness Individual Contribution Award.



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It is often the case that data distribution is either nonexistent or limited because data elements are not compatible between systems which can result in errors, inefficiencies and increased administrative costs.

To combat this problem, Ms. Rebecca Beck led the Procure-to-Pay (P2P) Team comprised of skilled experts from the Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD), US Navy, US Air Force, Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA), Business Transformation Agency (BTA) and Defense Finance and Accounting Service (DFAS). Through Lean Six Sigma disciplines, the P2P Team completed Black Belt Projects containing 14 customer-focused solutions and 5 continuous process improvements to increase automation and strengthen internal controls.

Creation and sharing of electronic contracts, changes in policies to enable electronic processing, sharing of data with previously disconnected financial organizations creating immediate and long term savings and solutions that can be applied to the future as well as the legacy environment.

Initially adopted by the US Navy, these changes increased their electronic contracting rate from 18.1% in FY08 to 42.5% by the end of FY10. Based on this success, the US Army and US Air Force have also implemented the P2P solution. In aggregate, Army, Air Force, Navy, Defense Logistics Agency improved the overall electronic contracting rate from 47.1% in FY08 to nearly 62.8% in FY10. This resulted in a first year benefit of \$2.2 million for an investment of less than \$100,000.00

Ms. Beck's guidance and leadership was instrumental in the success of the P2P Team. Taking team members from diverse disciplines and communities, and using Lean Six Sigma tools to create data driven analysis and real achievable solutions, taking those solutions to the leaders of financial, acquisition and logistics communities and to obtain acceptance and approval for the implementation of P2P.

“In recognition of your personal creativity and leadership of the Procure to Pay Team.”

