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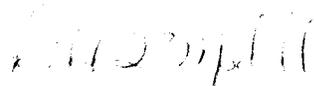
Logistics EDI IPT

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MEMORANDUM FOR: DISTRIBUTION

SUBJECT: Adoption of Commercial Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Standards for  
DoD Logistics Business Transactions - Integrated Product Team (IPT)

The next meeting of subject IPT will commence at 0900 on December 14, 1999 at the Logistics Management Institute (LMI), McLean, VA. The primary focus of this meeting will be to determine the status of Component implementation plans (see Web site [www.log.edi.migration.hq.dla.mil](http://www.log.edi.migration.hq.dla.mil) for additional IPT information). Attached for your review and comment are draft minutes that resulted from the October 14, 1999 meeting. Subject to comment, the IPT Chairman will approve these minutes on November 12, 1999. Point of contact is Mr. George Kingsley, (703) 767-0068, [george\\_kingsley@hq.dla.mil](mailto:george_kingsley@hq.dla.mil).

  
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Attachments:

1. Minutes of Meeting
2. Attendees

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**Minutes**  
**Adoption of Commercial EDI Standards for DoD Logistics Business Transactions**  
**Integrated Product Team (IPT)**  
**October 14, 1999**

The meeting opened with administrative announcements and introduction of new IPT participants.

The first topic discussed was an Extensible Markup Language (XML) information briefing provided by the Logistics Management Institute (LMI). XML is an emerging de facto tool for defining business data for business-to-business commerce on the Internet. XML is a series of related technical specifications that provide syntax for identifying, exchanging, and displaying data. Unlike other electronic data interchange (EDI) standards such as the American National Standards Institute (ANSI) Accredited Standards Committee (ASC) X12 standards, an official standards body does not sanction XML's technical specifications. Without a universally accepted sanctioning body, the adoption of XML by the Department of Defense (DoD) is high risk. Conversely, XML does provide expanded technical opportunities, data searching, web compatibility, and free licensing; as such, further research is warranted. This briefing concluded with the Chairman suggesting that this briefing be provided to the Joint Electronic Commerce Program Office (JECPO) Director and representatives from the office of the DoD Chief Information Officer (CIO).

The status of ANSI ASC X12 training development was provided by the Electronic Commerce Resource Center (ECRC). The Level I training package will be complete by the end of November 1999. Level I will be an EDI/Defense Logistics Management System (DLMS) executive overview that demonstrates the utility of transitioning from DLSS to DLMS. Level II and III training will provide more detail and be tailorable to the audience. Level II and III training objectives have not been developed. The Chairman asked that once the objectives are developed, the IPT membership have the opportunity to provide comments.

The next portion of the agenda was directed at obtaining the current status of the implementation plan and the Component plan development:

<b>Component/ Category</b>	<b>Corporate Plan Staffing Status</b>	<b>Component Plan Development Strategies</b>
<b>Army</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Will provide initial comments by the end of October – but will not have complete official position until later in November.</li> <li>- No show stoppers to date (Note: asked that critical DLSS changes be defined).</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Will use their current internal IPT to begin work on their plan.</li> <li>- Have farmed out Appendixes C &amp; F for initial work to begin.</li> </ul>

<b>Component/ Category</b>	<b>Corporate Plan Staffing Status</b>	<b>Component Plan Development Strategies</b>
<b>Navy</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Had not been able to figure out who had the action within the Navy. Was working to determine.</li> <li>- Will not make the Oct 29 suspense.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Had not started work on the internal Navy plan</li> </ul>
<b>Air Force</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Out for Central Design Agency (CDA) and functional review.</li> <li>- Had not received any showstoppers.</li> <li>- Will not make the Oct 29 suspense.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Have nine-member team to work internal plan.</li> <li>- Plan to have first meeting soon.</li> <li>- Interested in pulling maintenance into their working group. Would like to be kept informed about ongoing corporate initiatives in the maintenance area.</li> </ul>
<b>USMC</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Had not determined who had lead for plan within the USMC.</li> <li>- Will not make the Oct 29 suspense.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Will piggyback with Navy on the development of their plan.</li> </ul>
<b>DLA</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Working but will not meet the Oct 29 suspense.</li> <li>- Would like an off-line meeting between Defense Automatic Addressing System Center (DAASC) and the Defense Logistics Management System Office (DLMSO) to discuss specific taskings in Appendix C.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Will be coordinated with internal working group</li> </ul>
<b>TRANSCOM</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Staffed internally – no showstoppers.</li> <li>- Would like IPT Chairman to provide a briefing at the upcoming Defense Transportation Electronic Data Interchange meeting and plans to have this forum review document.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Presently have an EDI implementation plan will review this plan and update as needed.</li> </ul>
<b>DFAS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Staffed plan internally - no showstoppers.</li> <li>- Would like major modifications defined in documents.</li> <li>- Did not understand if there is an impact on working capital funds.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Not required to develop a plan.</li> </ul>

At the conclusion of the Component updates, there was a discussion on general topics . See synopsis below:

- The IPT felt strongly that all logistics interchange conventions (IC) should be developed at one location.
- The IPT was concerned that multiple taskings were being generated by JECPO without internal coordination. Examples included the requirement to develop an EDI plan and within the same time frame develop their EB/EC Strategic Plan.
- Regarding the pending Office of the Secretary of Defense (OSD) tasker to develop the future roles and responsibilities of JECPO, the IPT again stated that DoD needs one stop EB/EC shopping.

The meeting concluded with the Chairman providing an update on the following topics:

- EDI policy directive: Being staffed at OSD and should be signed before the first of the year.
- Pilot project in process reviews (IPR): The dates, times, and location of upcoming IPRs was provided. The Air Force asked that their pilot project point of contact name be provided to the IPT representative.
- End Defense Logistics Standard Systems (DLSS) memorandum: This memorandum is a logical follow-on to the EDI policy and will be signed by the Deputy Under Secretary of Defense for Logistics (DUSD)(L). The IPT asked that the process for submitting a critical change be defined and provided for their review.
- Change process initiatives: The IPT was provided a copy of Table 4-1 from the EDI implementation plan. This table outlines several initiatives DLMSO is undertaking to streamline the logistics change process and inherent support to the community. These initiatives were well received by the IPT with a request that the IC management initiative status be discussed at the next IPT meeting.
- Appendix C overview: Appendix C of the EDI implementation plan contains 70+ individual task/projects with milestones and responsibilities identified. This appendix was highlighted in the context that it provides the essence of the plan. As the IPT members conduct their plan reviews, this appendix should receive extra scrutiny.

The meeting concluded with the Chairman thanking everyone for their attendance and announcing that the next IPT meeting will be held on December 14, 1999.

**Attendees**  
**Adoption of Commercial EDI Standards**  
**DoD Logistics Business Transactions, IPT, October 14, 1999**

<i>Army</i>	<i>Navy</i>	<i>Air Force</i>	<i>USMC</i>
Ms. Dunnington	Mr. Minnick	Ms. Larson	Ms. Matsumoto
Mr. Carey		Maj Barnes	
CW4 Hunt		Mr. Carlson	
		Mr. DeCelles	<b><i>DLMSO/JECPO</i></b>
		Mr. Cooper	Lt Col Modell
		Ms. Harris	Mr. Obey
		Capt Morgan	Ms. Savage
		Ms. Richardson	Ms. Johnson
<b><i>NSA</i></b>	<b><i>DLA</i></b>	<b><i>TRANSCOM</i></b>	Mr. Yeakel
Ms. Cullip	Ms. Broussard	LTC Black	Mr. Dalton
			Mr. Creedon
<b><i>DFAS</i></b>	<b><i>DSCA</i></b>	<b><i>NIMA</i></b>	Ms. Pooker
Ms. Abejuela	Mr. Freedenthal	Mr. Sibbet	Ms. Amyx
Ms. Hughes	Mr. Goldstein		Mr. Thomas
	Ms. Taylor		Mr. Egan
<b><i>Acq Reform</i></b>	<b><i>Coast Guard</i></b>	<b><i>DAASC</i></b>	Mr. Jensen
Lt Col Hoferkamp	Lt JG Mason	Mr. Scott	Mr. Crawford
		Mr. Brown	Ms. Hilert
<b><i>DISA</i></b>	<b><i>JITC</i></b>	<b><i>EC/RC</i></b>	Mr. Kingsley
Mr. Kye	Mr. Lynch	Mr. Chesebrough	Mr. Gower
	Ms. Grider		Mr. Lewis
			Mr. St. Mark