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DLA C&T Modernization Efforts with DLA MUST Program

*TexSpecs &
SRP Tool*

Brief for Joint Advanced Planning Brief to
Industry (JAPBI)

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DLA MUST Program



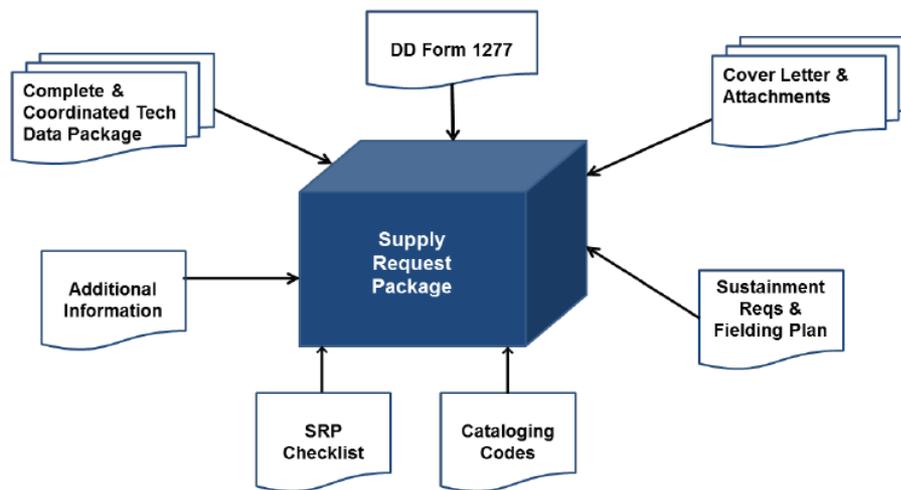
- DLA Military Unique Sustainment Technology (MUST) Program
 - DLA Logistics R&D Office Program for the Clothing and Textile Supply Chain
 - Research Projects Focused on:
 - ***Product Description/Specification Management and Interim Changes***
 - ***Supply Request Package Visibility and Traceability***
 - 3D CAD Technologies
 - Sizing and Fit Improvement
 - Shade Instrumentation Technology
 - Supplier Lot Testing Submittal



What is a Supply Request Package (SRP)?



- The transition of new C&T items into the DLA supply system requires a Supply Request Package.



The SRP provides documentation for all product, engineering, logistics, and supply information required to support Procurement and contracting, item manufacturing, and DLA item management.

- The SRP process allows for a planned and coordinated transition to ensure optimal economic use of all existing stocks of affected items.



SRP Project Vision



- Re-engineer coordination and communication processes for C&T individual item and equipment supply request requirements
 - Enable joint **visibility** over the SRP process
 - Provide SRP process **traceability**
 - Facilitate **coordination** activities

Whose action is next?

*Are we
ready
to submit?*

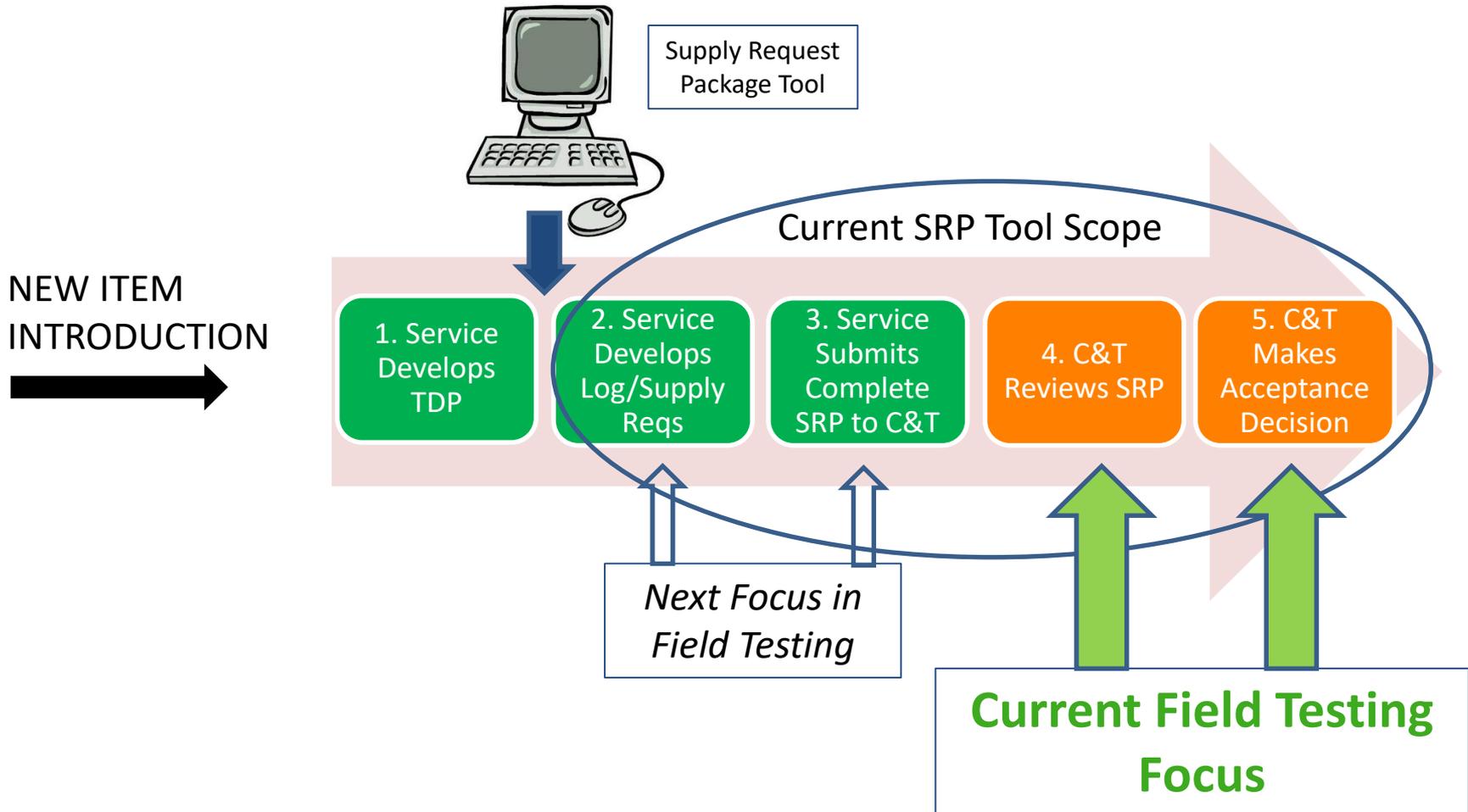


*Where are
the current
documents?*

Why isn't it approved?



Joint SRP Process – C&T and Services





SRP Process Visibility and Traceability



Monitor SRP Lifecycles - Automated Status Changes

Visibility of SRP STATUS

Supply Request Packages - Air Force

SRP Type	DLA SRP Tracking No.	SRP Status	Status Age	Item Name
Full SRP	8430-ST1-0002	DLA-Accepted	1 days	DF Test Shoe, Lightweight, Athletic, Womens
Full SRP	AF Test	Service-Draft	50 days	Air Force Test Record
Request for NSNs	244-17	DLA-In Review	92 days	Pouch, Tracker Containment
Full SRP	236-17	DLA-Accepted	16 days	Outer Lens and Lock Subassembly

Track SRP Progress – Real-Time Milestone Updates

Item Name	NSN Assigned	DLA SRP Review PCT Complete	SRP Accepted	Date DLA SRP Acceptance	Effective Date of
DF Test Shoe, Lightweight, Athletic, Womens	Yes	100%	Yes	1/3/2018	1/1/2017
Air Force Test Record	Yes				
Pouch, Tracker Containment	No	80%	No		3/1/2019
Outer Lens and Lock Subassembly	Yes	100%	Yes	12/19/2017	

Visibility of SRP PROGRESS



Process Improvements



- Real-time status updates and process tracking
- Reduce time for item transition from Services to C&T
- Increase complete, current and coordinated technical and supply data submitted to C&T
- Opportunity to build in earlier visibility and coordination between Service and DLA





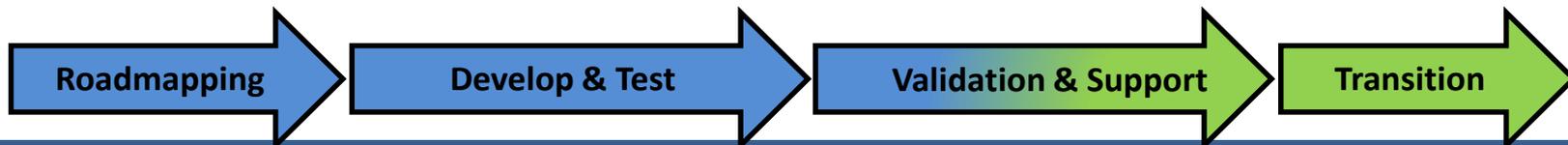
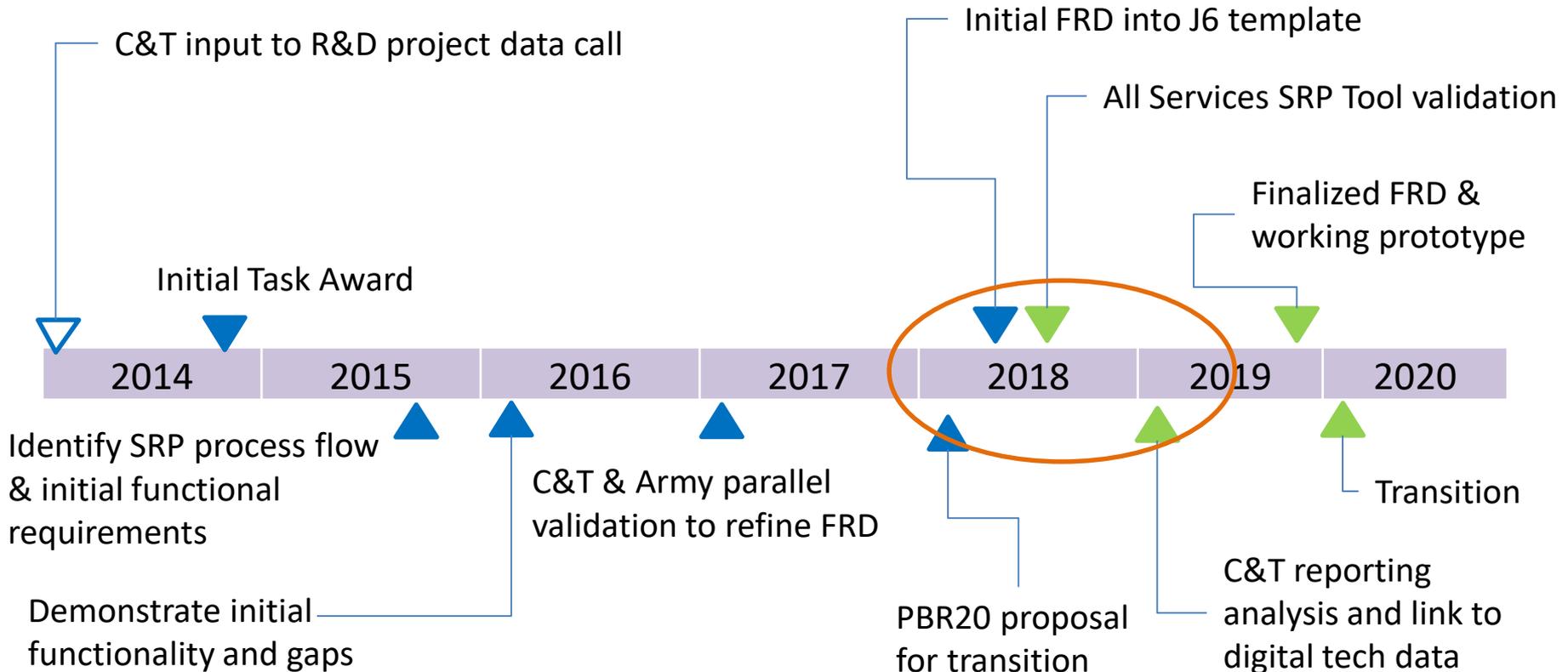
SRP Project Timeline



Pre-Contract

Complete

Planned





Next Steps



- Services start submitting SRPs via MUST SRP Tool
- Extend SRP Tool's process visibility and traceability through material planning milestones to effective date of supply
- Develop final functional requirements document based on validated prototype



TexSpecs



TexSpecs creates interoperable structured digital models of Purchase Descriptions, Interim Changes, and other specification-based technical documents, which reduces the cost, time and errors associated with PDF based tech data management

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TexSpecs Motivation



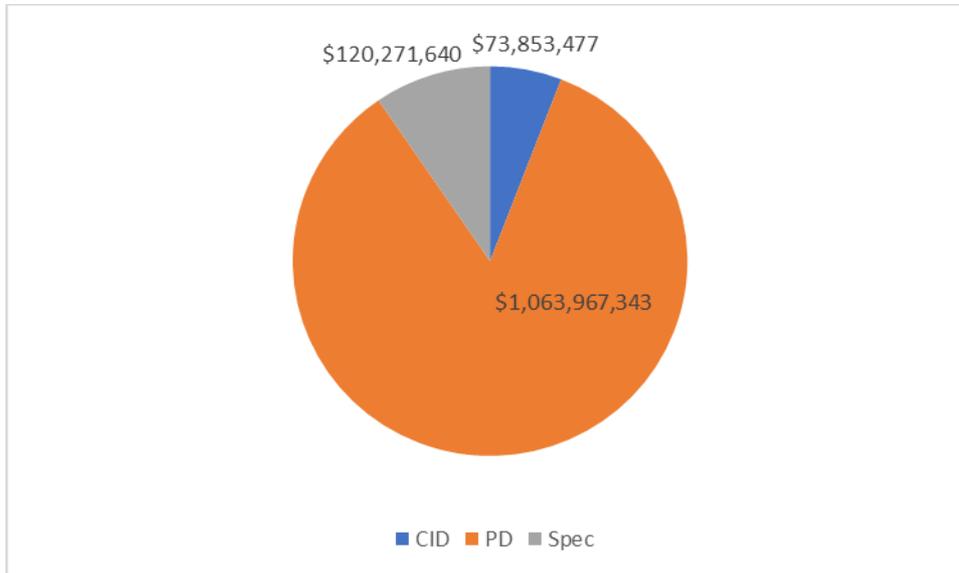
- The need to tailor standard items for specific program or contract requirement frequently results in a list of Interim Changes that:
 - Are not integrated into the PD or specification.
 - Proliferate over time.
 - Are difficult for Government and Industry to manage, reuse, verify.
- This results in increased lead time, cost and risk.
- TexSpecs is a new, model-based approach for managing, using and analyzing purchase descriptions and their changes



Significance of PDs in C&T Operations



C&T Annual Demand Value Analysis

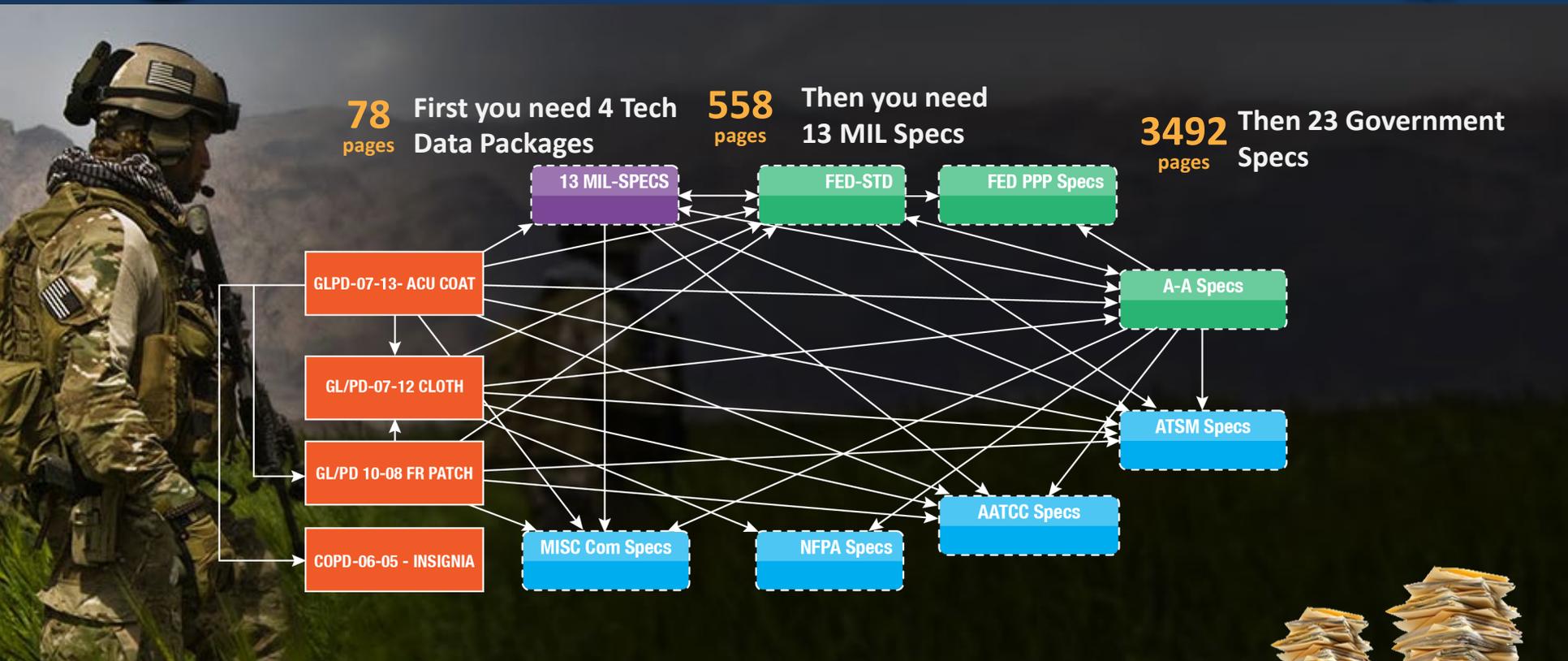


Type	Count of PGC	Sum of Annual Demand Value
CID	259	\$73,853,477
PD	1041	\$1,063,967,343
Spec	2730	\$120,271,640
Unkown/Other	817	\$43,797,476
Grand Total	4847	\$1,301,889,936

- Over \$1.3 B in C&T Demand Value from PDs and Specifications
- PDs are the largest share, they are often older documents with many interim changes.
- PDs do not follow MIL-STD-961E and are difficult to manage.
- TexSpecs uses Artificial Intelligence to make it easier to manage these documents and their changes.



Tech Data is a Web of Concepts Distributed across a network of documents from different authors



TOTAL: ACU, nearly 200 references to 98 documents & 5053 pages from 13 Document sources

Identifying requirements and managing change across this network is very difficult.



TexSpecs Key Features



1. Easy Web based views of PDs and their Interim Changes in line – the change is right where it is supposed to be.
2. Automated MIL-STD-961E compliance checking alerts users to problems in formats and references to cancelled items.
3. Direct linking to sections within a PD and to Government and Industry Specifications and Standards.
4. Red-line view of changes to the PD and the documents it references.
5. MS Word interoperability makes it easy for the Product Specialist to maintain PDs and lcs.



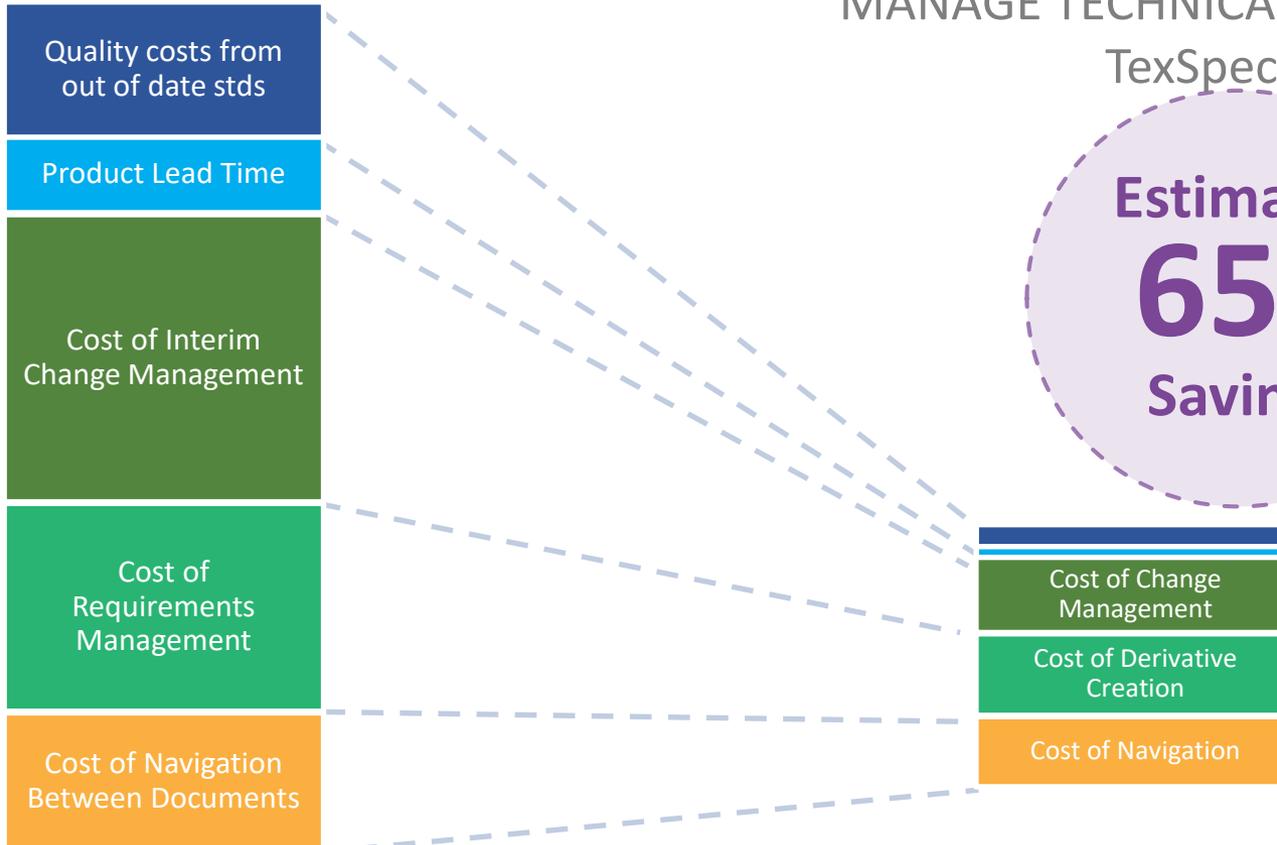
TexSpecs Value Proposition



TOTAL ENGINEERING COST TO CREATE AND
MANAGE TECHNICAL DOCS WITH

TexSpecs

Estimated
65%
Savings



TexSpecs reduces the cost of creating and using technical documents for DLA, its customers and suppliers



TexSpecs by the Numbers



- As of 1-NOV-2018, TexSpecs includes 112 Purchase Descriptions for a wide variety of C&T items.
- In addition, there are 219 related Federal and Military Specs, Standards, and Commercial Item Descriptions
- TexSpecs users also have access to over 12,000 ASTM standards, and to a complete library of AATCC Test Methods and Evaluation Procedures



TexSpecs, What's Next



- 219 updated Federal and Military Specifications will be available to Military CAC users in ASSIST.
- Improved tools for integrating Interim Changes in PDs.
- Improved MIL-STD-961E compliance checking.
- Tighter integration with the ASSIST document management workflow for Specs and PDs



Conclusion



- TexSpecs helps DLA manage Purchase Descriptions and Interim Changes
- It improves technical data quality and helps ensure MIL-STD-961 E compliance.
- It provides robust interoperability with DOD ASSIST and industry standards.
- Available to Government users through the MUST Portal.



Questions



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