Minutes CVISN Architecture Configuration Control Board

19 June 2008

Attendees:

Craig Root (CA)	Cathy Beedle (NE)	Bill Goforth (WA)
Joe Foster (DC)	John Casteel (NE)	Renee Piraino (WI)
Sharon Easley (FL)	Keith Dey (NE)	Kris Weaver (ACS)
Kathleen Gibson (GA)	Beth Hartley (NE)	Bill Giuffre (CSI)
Delaine Adkins (KS)	Steve Trudell (NY)	Thad Hoffman (Iteris)
Kalyna Nedilsky (MD)	Terri Ungerman (AR, OK)	Jingfei Wu (Volpe)
Manoj Pansare (MD)	Hal Rumpca (SD)	Sandra Boys (APL)
Jodee Alm (MT)	Shirley Ashbrook (TX)	Mary Stuart (APL)
Dennis Hult (MT)	Tammy Duncan (TX)	

A meeting of the CVISN Architecture Configuration Control Board (ACCB) was held 19 June 2008. The list of Change Requests (CRs) that were discussed was posted to the ACCB Collaboration SharePoint site prior to the meeting. A list of all CVISN Architecture CRs may be found on the ACCB Collaboration site at:

https://partners.jhuapl.edu/BA/hp/cvisn/ACCB/CR_Status in the file: "ArchitectureCRs_all". For those CRs discussed at the meeting, the "Description" section of each CR summarizes the discussion and reflects changes to the CR.

Action items assigned appear in the relevant section of the minutes. Comments or corrections to these minutes or the CRs should be sent to Sandra Boys (sandra.boys@jhuapl.edu).

Items that the ACCB recommends submitting to FMCSA for approval are noted below the action item list.

The ACCB minutes and architecture CRs are posted on the Change Request page of the FMCSA CVISN Web site: http://cvisn.fmcsa.dot.gov.

The URL for the ACCB Collaboration site is https://partners.jhuapl.edu/BA/hp/cvisn/ACCB. To get a password for the CVISN Collaboration SharePoint site, contact Nancy Magnusson (nancy.magnusson@jhuapl.edu).

The next meeting will be held **17 July 2008** at 2:00 PM Eastern.

Discussion Items

1. Architecture CRs for voting at the next meeting

Architecture CR 5679 Synopsis: "Request carrier name in SAFERSYS UCR query output"

Arkansas requests that the carrier name should be supplied in the output from the safersys web query for Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) information (http://www.safersys.org/UCRQueryForm.aspx). Providing the carrier name in the output would allow weigh station and patrol officers to verify that the carrier for the vehicle in front of them is the same as shown in the UCR query output.

Since the carrier name is not currently present in the output, officers have to make a second query for a company snapshot to get the carrier name. Making additional queries is time consuming and causes unnecessary backlog of vehicles at weigh stations.

Both the legal name and the Doing Business As (DBA) name should be provided.

2. Prioritization of newly approved CRs

None this month. Volpe has suggested that the ACCB begin looking at prioritization of SAFER CRs for the FY 2009 development plan in July.

3. Volpe/CVISN: Report on open SAFER CRs and next SAFER release

The only state remaining to re-baseline is WI; they expect to re-baseline in July.

Jingfei Wu noted that there are a few new SAFER CRs to support inspections.

There is expected to be a SAFER release at the end of June that will include changes to improve UCR data quality. This will not have an impact on users of the UCR portal. The seven agencies that upload UCR information will need to use a new WSDL file.

A maintenance release of MCMIS is likely to be deployed in July. There is currently an issue with some data transfers from MCMIS to SAFER, because there is data in MCMIS that fails the error checking in SAFER.

The scope of the September SAFER release is still under discussion within FMCSA. Five CVISN CRs had been proposed, plus there are about 10 non-CVISN CRs. Four of the five CVISN CRs are likely to be implemented.

4. FMCSA Technical Support: Report on trouble tickets and defects

Bill Goforth discussed the trouble ticket on the ISS score issue. The ISS scores in SAFER are not current for some carriers with insufficient data. Either the ISS scores in SAFER are

computed differently than those on the A&I web page or SAFER is failing to update ISS scores on carriers on a regular basis. Following is an example of this problem.

Based on the PRISM baseline file for Friday 6/13/2008, USDOT No. 671219 has an ISS score of 75 and an ISS score date of 12/22/2007 in SAFER. The A&I web page is currently showing an ISS score of 66 and an ISS score date of 5/23/2008 for this carrier. This carrier has a SAFESTAT category of "I" (indicating insufficient data).

The problem with this is that law enforcement is receiving an ISS score of 75 for this carrier from SAFER which causes the carrier to get pulled in at the weigh stations for inspection. But the A&I (public FMCSA) website is showing an ISS score of 66 which indicates the carrier should not be pulled in. This causes considerable confusion and frustration for the enforcement officers and for the carriers.

SAFER CR 1782 originally scheduled for the March 2008 release should have addressed this problem, ensuring that 1) ISS scores for carriers with insufficient data are recalculated on a regular basis and/or 2) that the SAFER and A&I algorithms used for ISS score calculations for these carriers are the same. However, that SCR has been deferred and will not be deployed until after the September 2008 release.

CVISN and PRISM call logs are posted at:

https://partners.jhuapl.edu/BA/hp/cvisn/ACCB/CVIEW_Call_Logs.

States should send feedback on the report and any requests for formatting changes to Dan Coelho (<u>Daniel.A.Coelho@volpe.dot.gov</u>).

5. Volpe/PRISM: Report on PRISM CRs relevant to CVISN stakeholders

The PRISM team is in the process of developing a CR requesting removal of the target indicator (TH_INDICATOR) field from the T0028v3 transaction.

6. Review of new and open CVISN Architecture CRs

New Architecture CR 5679 Synopsis: "Request carrier name in SAFERSYS UCR query output" was discussed (see the description above). This will be entered into the HEAT system and voted on at the next ACCB meeting. States noted that it was not clear who had made the original UCR design decisions. APL will bring up the lack of coordination between the UCR Board and the CVISN ACCB as an issue to FMCSA.

Montana would like to reopen Architecture CR 4789 "Implement SAFER-CVIEW interface for Unified Carrier Registration (UCR) information". This was recommended by the CVISN ACCB in November 2007, approved by Jeff Secrist and forwarded to Janet Curtis, then disapproved further down the line, as it was decided that states should use the IN portal rather than FMCSA deploy a SAFER transaction.

From Dennis Hult:

Montana is requesting that UCR status information be available through state CVIEWs to provide ready access to law enforcement staff at the roadside. CVIEW provides roadside enforcement staff with a single source for checking the statuses of IFTA, IRP and other

credentials, as well as carrier safety information so informed screening and selection decisions are possible. If CVIEW does not include a carrier's UCR status, then roadside enforcement personnel will need to make UCR credential checks using systems such as SAFER or Query Central, and other credential or safety checks using CVIEW. Roadside decisions need to be made expeditiously to maximize the number of CMVs screened and to avoid weigh station or port of entry congestion. I believe this is consistent with CVISN objectives.

This has been discussed with FMCSA and Volpe. Rather than reopen the CR to provide an XML transaction that would be available via FTP, Volpe will work with MT to certify them to use a web services download. TX and WA mentioned that they will be using that approach as well, rather than going through IN to obtain the UCR information.

7. E-screening Focus Group Report

No report this month. The group has not met recently but may be reactivated at the 2008 CVISN Deployment Workshop.

8. Proactive Data Quality and Operational Issues Focus Group Report

See discussion under item #4.

Action Items from Recent ACCB Meetings*

- Action Item 146 (Volpe-Chris Flynn and David Acker): Look into the request for mapping ASPEN data fields into SAFER. Open. Kris Weaver, MD, and APL have requested this information. The request has been clarified and Volpe should complete this in a few weeks.
- Action Item 147 (Volpe-FMCSA Technical Support): Notify the group when recertification of all states is complete so they can plan for the re-baseline. *Open. WI has not re-certified yet*.
- Action Item 149 (Volpe-Chris Flynn): Reply to Kris Weaver on HEAT test results. *Open. Issues have not all been addressed due to loss of technical support staff.*
- Action Item 156 (JHU/APL): Bring up the lack of coordination between the UCR Board and the CVISN ACCB as an issue to FMCSA. *New*.

Items that the ACCB Recommended for FMCSA ECCB Approval

None

^{*} Action Item numbers line up with the Action Item list on the CVISN Collaboration SharePoint site.

Items that the ACCB Disapproved

None.

Note: Updates to the Architecture CRs discussed at this meeting can be found in the file: "ArchitectureCRs_all" which is on the ACCB Collaboration CR Status page (https://partners.jhuapl.edu/BA/hp/cvisn/ACCB/CR_Status).

Also please note that the comments in the "Description" sections of recent CRs have been reorganized so that the most recent information will be listed first.