FACTOR: 1. - PROBLEM SOLVING

FACTOR DESCRIPTION:

This factor describes/captures personal and organizational problem-solving results.

EXPECTED PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Applicable to all contributions at all levels):

Work is timely, efficient, and of acceptable quality. Completed work meets projects/programs objectives. Flexibility, adaptability, and decisiveness are exercised appropriately.

LEVEL DESCRIPTORS	DISCRIMINATORS
Level I	
 Performs activities on a task; assists supervisor or other appropriate personnel. 	Scope/Impact
 Resolves routine problems within established guidelines. 	Complexity/Difficulty
 Independently performs assigned tasks within area of responsibility; refers situations to supervisor or other appropriate personnel when existing guidelines do not apply. 	Independence
Takes initiative in determining and implementing appropriate procedures.	Creativity
Level II	
 Plans and conducts functional technical activities for projects/programs. Identifies, analyzes, and resolves complex/difficult problems. 	Scope/Impact
 Independently identifies and resolves conventional problems which may require deviations from accepted policies or instructions. 	Complexity/Difficulty Independence
 Adapts existing plans and techniques to accomplish complex projects/programs. Recommends improvements to the design or operation of systems, equipment, or processes. 	Creativity
Level III	
Independently defines, directs, or leads highly challenging	Scope/Impact
 projects/programs. Identifies and resolves highly complex problems not susceptible to treatment by accepted methods. Develops, integrates, and implements solutions to diverse, highly complex 	Complexity/Difficulty
problems across multiple areas and disciplines.	
• Anticipates problems, develops sound solutions and action plans to ensure program/mission accomplishment.	Independence
 Develops plans and techniques to fit new situations to improve overall program and policies. Establishes precedents in application of problem- solving techniques to enhance existing processes. 	Creativity
Level IV	
 Defines, establishes, and directs organizational focus (on challenging and highly complex project / programs). Identifies and resolves highly complex problems that cross organizational boundaries and promulgates solutions. Resolution of problems requires mastery of the field to develop new hypotheses or fundamental new concepts. 	Scope/Impact
 Assesses and provides strategic direction for resolution of mission critical problems, policies, and procedures. 	Complexity/Difficulty
 Works at senior level to define, integrate, and implement strategic direction for vital programs with long-term impact on large numbers of people. Initiates actions to resolve major organizational issues. Promulgates innovative solutions and methodologies. 	Independence
 Works with senior management to establish new fundamental concepts and criteria and stimulate the development of new policies, methodologies, and techniques. Converts strategic goals into programs or policies. 	Creativity

FACTOR: 2. - TEAMWORK/COOPERATION

FACTOR DESCRIPTION:

This factor, applicable to all teams, describes/captures individual and organizational teamwork and cooperation.

EXPECTED PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Applicable to all contributions at all levels):

Work is timely, efficient, and of acceptable quality. Personal and organizational interactions exhibit and foster cooperation and teamwork. Flexibility, adaptability, and decisiveness are exercised appropriately. Descriptors indicate the type of contribution appropriate for the high end of each level. Descriptors are not to be used individually to assess contributions, but rather are to be taken as a group to derive a single evaluation of the factor.

LEVEL DESCRIPTORS	DISCRIMINATORS
 Level I Works with others to accomplish routine tasks. Contributes ideas in own area of expertise. Interacts cooperatively with others. 	Scope of Team Effort Contribution to Team
 Regularly completes assignments in support of team goals. 	Effectiveness
 Level II Works with others to accomplish projects/programs. Uses varied approaches to resolve or collaborate on projects/programs issues. Facilitates cooperative interactions with 	Scope of Team Effort Contribution to Team
 others. Guides/supports others in executing team assignments. Proactively functions as an integral part of the team. 	Effectiveness
 Level III Works with others to accomplish complex projects/programs. Applies innovative approaches to resolve unusual/difficult issues significantly impacting important policies or programs. Promotes 	Scope of Team Effort Contribution to Team
 and maintains environment for cooperation and teamwork. Leads and guides others in formulating and executing team plans. Expertise is sought by peers. 	Effectiveness
 Level IV Leads/guides/mentors workforce in dealing with complex problems. Solves broad organizational issues. Implements strategic plans 	Scope of Team Effort
 within and across organizational components. Ensures a cooperative teamwork environment. Leads/guides workforce in achieving organizational goals. Participates on high-level teams. Is sought out for consultation. 	Contribution to Team Effectiveness

FACTOR: 3. - CUSTOMER RELATIONS

FACTOR DESCRIPTION:

This factor describes/captures the effectiveness of personal and organizational interactions with customers (anyone to whom services or products are provided), both internal (within an assigned organization) and external (outside an assigned organization).

EXPECTED PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Applicable to all contributions at all levels):

Work is timely, efficient, and of acceptable quality. Personal and organizational interactions enhance customer relations and actively promote rapport with customers. Flexibility, adaptability, and decisiveness are exercised appropriately.

LEVEL DESCRIPTORS	DISCRIMINATORS
Level I	
 Independently carries out routine customer requests. Participates as a team member to meet customer needs. Interacts with customers on routine issues with appropriate guidance. 	Breadth of Influence Customer Needs Customer Interaction Level
Level II	
• Guides the technical/functional efforts of individuals or team members as they interact with customers.	Breadth of Influence
 Initiates meetings and interactions with customers to understand customer needs/expectations. 	Customer Needs
• Interacts independently with customers to communicate information and coordinate actions.	Customer Interaction Level
Level III	
Guides and integrates functional efforts of individuals or teams in support of customer interaction. Seeks innovative approaches to satisfy customers.	Breadth of Influence
• Establishes customer alliances, anticipates and fulfills customer needs, and translates customer needs to programs/projects.	Customer Needs
 Interacts independently and proactively with customers to identify and define complex/difficult problems and to develop and implement strategies or techniques for resolving program/project problems (e.g., determining priorities and resolving conflict among customers' requirements). 	Customer Interaction Level
Level IV	
• Leads and manages the organizational interactions with customers from a strategic standpoint.	Breadth of Influence
 Works to assess and promulgate political, fiscal, and other factors affecting customer and program/project needs. Works with customer at management levels to resolve problems affecting programs / projects (e.g., problems that involve determining priorities and resolving conflicts among customers' requirements). Works at senior level to stimulate customer alliances for 	Customer Needs
program/project support. Stimulates, organizes, and leads overall customer interactions.	Customer Interaction Level

FACTOR: 4. - LEADERSHIP/SUPERVISION

FACTOR DESCRIPTION:

This factor describes/captures individual and organizational leadership and/or supervision to include that leaders/supervisors will recruit, develop, motivate, and retain quality team members in accordance with EEO/AA and merit principles. Takes timely/appropriate personnel actions, communicates mission and organizational goals; by example, creates a positive, safe, and challenging work environment; distributes work and empowers team members.

EXPECTED PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Applicable to all contributions at all levels):

Work is timely, efficient, and of acceptable quality. Leadership and/or supervision effectively promotes commitment to mission accomplishment. Flexibility, adaptability, and decisiveness are exercised appropriately.

LEVEL DESCRIPTORS	DISCRIMINATORS
LEVELI	
 Takes initiative in accomplishing assigned tasks. Provides inputs to others in own technical/functional area. Seeks and takes advantage of developmental opportunities. 	Leadership Role Breadth of Influence Mentoring/Employee Development
LEVEL II	
 Actively contributes as a team member/leader; provides insight and recommends changes or solutions to problems. 	Leadership Role
 Proactively guides, coordinates, and consults with others to accomplish projects. 	Breadth of Influence
Identifies and pursues individual/team development opportunities.	Mentoring/Employee Development
 Level III Provides guidance to individuals/teams; resolves conflicts. Considered a functional/technical expert by others in the organization; is regularly sought out by others for advice and assistance. 	Leadership Role
• Defines, organizes, and assigns activities to accomplish projects/programs goals. Guides, motivates, and oversees the activities of individuals and teams with focus on projects/programs issues.	Breadth of Influence
Fosters individual/team development by mentoring. Pursues or creates training development programs for self and others.	Mentoring/Employee Development
LEVEL IV	
• Establishes and/or leads teams to carry out complex projects or programs. Resolves conflicts. Creates climate where empowerment and creativity thrive. Recognized as a technical/functional authority on specific issues.	Leadership Role
 Leads, defines, manages, and integrates efforts of several groups or teams. Ensures organizational mission and program success. Fosters the development of other team members by providing guidance or sharing expertise. Directs assignments to encourage employee 	Breadth of Influence
development and cross-functional growth to meet organizational needs. Pursues personal professional development.	Mentoring/Employee Development

FACTOR: 5. - COMMUNICATION

FACTOR DESCRIPTION:

This factor describes/captures the effectiveness of oral/written communications.

EXPECTED PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Applicable to all contributions at all levels):

Work is timely, efficient, and of acceptable quality. Communications are clear, concise, and at appropriate level. Flexibility, adaptability, and decisiveness are exercised appropriately.

LEVEL DESCRIPTORS	DISCRIMINATORS
LEVELI	
 Communicates routine task status/results as required. Provides timely data and written analyses for input to management/technical reports or contractual documents. 	Level of Interaction (Audience) Written
 Explains status/results of assigned tasks. 	Oral
LEVEL II	
 Communicates team or group tasking results, internally and externally, at peer levels. 	Level of Interaction (Audience)
 Writes, or is a major contributor to, management/technical reports or contractual documents. 	Written
Presents informational briefings.	Oral
LEVEL III	
Communicates project or program results to all levels, internally and externally.	Level of Interaction (Audience)
• Reviews and approves, or is a major contributor to/ lead author of, management reports or contractual documents for external distribution. Provides inputs to policies.	Written
 Presents briefings to obtain consensus/approval. 	Oral
LEVEL IV	
Determines and communicates organizational positions on major projects or policies to senior level.	Level of Interaction (Audience)
Prepares, reviews, and approves major reports or policies of organization for internal and external distribution. Resolves discussed in the second seco	Written
 diverse viewpoints/controversial issues. Presents organizational briefings to convey strategic vision or organizational policies. 	Oral

FACTOR: 6. - RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

FACTOR DESCRIPTION:

This factor describes/captures personal and organizational utilization of resources to accomplish the mission. (Resources include, but are not limited to, personal time, equipment and facilities, human resources, and funds.)

EXPECTED PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Applicable to all contributions at all levels):

Work is timely, efficient, and of acceptable quality. Resources are utilized effectively to accomplish mission. Flexibility, adaptability, and decisiveness are exercised appropriately.

LEVEL DESCRIPTORS	DISCRIMINATORS
LEVELI	
 Uses assigned resources needed to accomplish tasks. Plans individual time and assigned resources to accomplish tasks. Effectively accomplishes assigned tasks. 	Scope of Responsibility Planning/Budgeting Execution/Efficiency
LEVEL II	
 Plans and utilizes appropriate resources to accomplish project goals. 	Scope of Responsibility
Optimizes resources to accomplish projects/programs within established schedules.	Planning/Budgeting
 Effectively accomplishes projects/programs goals within established resource guidelines. 	Execution/Efficiency
LEVEL III	
 Plans and allocates resources to accomplish multiple projects/programs. 	Scope of Responsibility
 Identifies and optimizes resources to accomplish multiple projects/programs goals. 	Planning/Budgeting
 Effectively accomplishes multiple projects/programs goals within established guidelines. 	Execution/Efficiency
 Develops, acquires, and allocates resources to accomplish mission goals and strategic objectives. 	Scope of Responsibility
• Formulates organizational strategies, tactics, and budget/action plan to acquire and allocate resources.	Planning/Budgeting
 Optimizes, controls, and manages all resources across projects/programs. Develops and integrates innovative approaches to attain goals and minimize expenditures. 	Execution/Efficiency

FACTOR: 1. - PROBLEM SOLVING

FACTOR DESCRIPTION:

This factor describes/captures personal and organizational problem-solving.

EXPECTED PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Applicable to all contributions at all levels):

Work is timely, efficient, and of acceptable quality. Completed work meets projects/programs objectives. Flexibility, adaptability, and decisiveness are exercised appropriately.

LEVEL DESCRIPTORS	DISCRIMINATORS
LEVELI	
Conducts activities on a task; assists supervisors or other appropriate personnel.	Scope/Impact
 Resolves routine problems within established guidelines. Works with others in solving problems with appropriate 	Complexity/Difficulty Independence
 guidance. Takes initiative in selecting and implementing appropriate procedures. 	Creativity
LEVEL II	
 Plans and conducts technical activities for projects. Identifies and resolves non-routine technical problems utilizing established patterns and methods. 	Scope/Impact Complexity/Difficulty
 Identifies and resolves problems; adapts accepted policies, procedures, or methods with moderate guidance. 	Independence
 Adapts existing plans and techniques to accomplish projects. 	Creativity
LEVEL III	
 Plans and conducts challenging and difficult technical activities for projects/programs. 	Scope/Impact
 Develops, integrates, and implements solutions to complex problems on projects/programs. 	Complexity/Difficulty
 Identifies problems; develops solutions and action plans with minimal guidance. 	Independence
 Develops plans and techniques to fit new situations. 	Creativity
LEVEL IV	
Identifies and resolves complex problems that may cross functional/technical boundaries and promulgates solutions.	Scope/Impact
 Develops, integrates/implements solutions to diverse, complex problems which may cross multiple projects/programs or functional/technical areas. 	Complexity/Difficulty
 Independently resolves and coordinates technical problems involving multiple projects/programs. 	Independence
 Develops plans and techniques to fit new situations and/or to address issues that cross technical/functional areas. 	Creativity

FACTOR: 2. - TEAMWORK/COOPERATION

FACTOR DESCRIPTION:

This factor describes/captures individual and organizational teamwork and cooperation.

EXPECTED PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Applicable to all contributions at all levels):

Work is timely, efficient, and of acceptable quality. Personal and organizational interactions exhibit and foster cooperation and teamwork. Flexibility, adaptability, and decisiveness are exercised appropriately.

LEVEL DESCRIPTORS	DISCRIMINATORS
 LEVEL I Works with others to accomplish routine tasks. 	Scope of Team Effort
Contributes ideas in own area of expertise. Interacts cooperatively with others.	Contribution to Team
Regularly completes assignments in support of team goals.	Effectiveness
 LEVEL II Works with others in accomplishing projects. Contributes ideas in own area of expertise. Facilitates 	Scope of Team Effort Contribution to Team
 cooperative interactions with others. Supports others in executing team assignments. Proactively functions as an integral part of the team. 	Effectiveness
LEVEL III	
 Works with others to accomplish complex projects/programs. Guides others to resolve or collaborate on complex projects/programs issues. Promotes cooperative interactions with others. 	Scope of Team Effort Contribution to Team
 Integrates technical expertise and guides activities to support team accomplishment. 	Effectiveness
LEVEL IV	
 Leads others to accomplish complex projects and programs. Applies innovative approaches to resolve unusual/difficult technical/management issues. Promotes and maintains environment for cooperation and teamwork. 	Scope of Team Effort Contribution to Team
 Leads and guides others in formulating and executing team plans. Expertise is sought by others. 	Effectiveness

FACTOR: 3. - CUSTOMER RELATIONS

FACTOR DESCRIPTION:

This factor describes/captures the effectiveness of personal and organizational interactions with customers (anyone to whom services or products are provided), both internal (within an assigned organization) and external (outside an assigned organization).

EXPECTED PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Applicable to all contributions at all levels):

Work is timely, efficient, and of acceptable quality. Personal and organizational interactions enhance customer relations and actively promote rapport with customers. Flexibility, adaptability, and decisiveness are exercised appropriately.

	LEVEL DESCRIPTORS	DISCRIMINATORS
LE	VEL I	
•	Assists customer support activities. Participates as a team member to meet customer needs. Interacts with customers on routine issues with appropriate guidance.	Breadth of Influence Customer Needs Customer Interaction Level
LE	VEL II	
•	Actively participates with others to satisfy customer requests. Interacts with customers to respond to customer needs/expectations.	Breadth of Influence Customer Needs
•	Interacts with customers to communicate information and coordinate action.	Customer Interaction Level
LE	VEL III	
•	Guides the technical efforts of individuals or teams as they relate with customers. Deviates from standard approaches when necessary.	Breadth of Influence
•	Initiates meetings and interactions with customers to understand customer needs/expectations.	Customer Needs
•	Interacts independently and proactively with customers to identify/define problems and to implement solutions.	Customer Interaction Level
LE	VEL IV	
•	Leads and coordinates technical efforts of individuals or teams in support of customer interactions. Develops innovative approaches to satisfy customers.	Breadth of Influence
•	Establishes customer alliances; anticipates and fulfills customer needs and translates customer needs to projects/programs.	Customer Needs
•	Organizes and leads customer interactions. Interacts proactively with customers to identify and define complex/controversial problems and to develop and implement strategies or techniques for resolving projects/programs issues.	Customer Interaction Level

FACTOR: 4. - LEADERSHIP/SUPERVISION

FACTOR DESCRIPTION:

This factor describes/captures individual and organizational leadership and/or supervision to include that leaders/supervisors will recruit, develop, motivate, and retain quality team members in accordance with EEO/AA and merit principles. Takes timely/appropriate personnel actions, communicates mission and organizational goals; by example, creates a positive, safe, and challenging work environment; distributes work and empowers team members.

EXPECTED PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Applicable to all contributions at all levels):

Work is timely, efficient, and of acceptable quality. Leadership and/or supervision effectively promotes commitment to mission accomplishment. Flexibility, adaptability, and decisiveness are exercised appropriately.

LEVEL DESCRIPTORS	DISCRIMINATORS
LEVELI	
Takes initiative in accomplishing assigned tasks. Asks for assistance as appropriate.	Leadership Role
 Provides input to others in technical/functional area. Seeks and takes advantage of developmental opportunities. 	Breadth of Influence Mentoring/Employee Development
LEVEL II	
 Actively contributes as team member; takes initiative to accomplish assigned projects. 	Leadership Role
Consults and coordinates with others to complete projects within established guidelines.	Breadth of Influence
 Identifies and pursues individual/team developmental opportunities. 	Mentoring/Employee Development
Actively contributes as team member or leader. Recognized for functional/technical expertise.	Leadership Role
 Defines, organizes, and assigns activities to accomplish goals. Guides, motivates and oversees others in accomplishing projects/programs. 	Breadth of Influence
 Promotes developmental opportunities for self and team. Advises others to seek specific training. 	Mentoring/Employee Development
LEVEL IV	
 Provides guidance to individuals/teams; resolves conflicts. Serves as subject matter expert. 	Leadership Role
 Guides, motivates, and oversees multiple complex projects/programs. 	Breadth of Influence
 Directs assignments to encourage employee development and cross-technical/functional growth to meet organizational needs. Pursues self-development. 	Mentoring/Employee Development

FACTOR: 5. - COMMUNICATION

FACTOR DESCRIPTION:

This factor describes/captures the effectiveness of oral/written communications.

EXPECTED PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Applicable to all contributions at all levels):

Work is timely, efficient, and of acceptable quality. Communications are clear, concise, and at appropriate level. Flexibility, adaptability, and decisiveness are exercised appropriately.

	LEVEL DESCRIPTORS	DISCRIMINATORS
LEVEL	I	
•	Communicates routine task/status/results as required. Provides data and accurate draft documentation of assigned tasks for input to reports or documents.	Level of Interaction (Audience) Written
•	Explains status/results of assigned tasks.	Oral
LEVEL	II	
•	Communicates team or group project status/results at equivaler levels within the agency.	Level of Interaction (Audience)
•	Writes segments of management/technical reports or documents.	Written
•	Communicates group/team results.	Oral
LEVEL		
•	Communicates projects/programs status/results to managemer Consolidates input and writes management/technical reports/documents for projects/programs.	Level of Interaction (Audience) Written
•	Presents projects/programs briefings.	Oral
LEVEL		
•	Determines and communicates projects/programs positions at senior levels.	Level of Interaction (Audience)
•	Prepares, reviews, and approves management/technical reports for internal and external distribution.	Written
•	Presents projects/programs briefings to obtain consensus/approval. Represents the organization as technical subject matter expert.	Oral

FACTOR: 6. - RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

FACTOR DESCRIPTION:

This factor describes/captures personal and organizational utilization of resources to accomplish the mission.

EXPECTED PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Applicable to all contributions at all levels):

Work is timely, efficient, and of acceptable quality. Resources are utilized effectively to accomplish mission. Flexibility, adaptability, and decisiveness are exercised appropriately.

LEVEL DESCRIPTORS	DISCRIMINATORS		
LEVEL I			
 Uses assigned resources to accomplish tasks. Plans individual time to accomplish tasks. Effectively accomplishes assigned tasks with appropriate guidance. 	Scope of Responsibility Planning/Budgeting Execution/Efficiency		
LEVEL II			
 Identifies and uses resources appropriately to accomplish projects. 	Scope of Responsibility		
Plans resources to achieve task schedules.Independently accomplishes assigned tasks.	Planning/Budgeting Execution/Efficiency		
 Plans and utilizes appropriate resources to accomplish projects/programs. Optimizes resources to accomplish projects within 	Scope of Responsibility Planning/Budgeting		
 established milestones. Effectively accomplishes projects/programs within established resource guidelines. 	Execution/Efficiency		
 Plans and allocates resources to accomplish multiple projects/programs goals. 	Scope of Responsibility		
 Identifies and optimizes resources to accomplish multiple projects/programs goals. 	Planning/Budgeting		
 Effectively accomplishes multiple projects/programs goals within established thresholds. Develops innovative approaches to attain goals and minimize resource expenditures. 	Execution/Efficiency		

FACTOR: 1. - PROBLEM SOLVING

FACTOR DESCRIPTION:

This factor describes/captures personal and organizational problem solving.

EXPECTED PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Applicable to all contributions at all levels):

Work is timely, efficient, and of acceptable quality. Completed work meets projects/programs objectives. Flexibility, adaptability, and decisiveness are exercised appropriately.

LEVEL DESCRIPTORS	DISCRIMINATORS
LEVEL I	
Conducts activities on a segment of a task. Assists supervisor or other appropriate personnel.	Scope/Impact
Applies standard rules, procedures, or operations to resolve routine problems.	Complexity/Difficulty
Independently carries out routine tasks.	Independence
Takes initiative in selecting and implementing appropriate procedures.	Creativity
LEVEL II	
Plans and conducts administrative activities for projects.	Scope/Impact
Develops, modifies, and/or applies rules, procedures, or	Complexity/Difficulty
operations to resolve problems of moderate complexity/difficulty.	Independence
 Independently plans and executes assignments; resolves problems and handles deviations. 	Independence
 Identifies and adapts guidelines for new or unusual situations. 	Creativity
LEVEL III	
Plans and conducts complex administrative activities.	Scope/Impact
 Develops rules, procedures, or operations for complex/difficult organizational tasks. 	Complexity/Difficulty
Identifies issues and determines approaches and methods to	Independence
accomplish tasks. Initiates effective actions and resolves related conflicts.	
Identifies issues requiring new procedures and develops appropriate guidelines.	Creativity

FACTOR: 2. - TEAMWORK/COOPERATION

FACTOR DESCRIPTION:

This factor describes/captures individual and organizational teamwork and cooperation.

EXPECTED PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Applicable to all contributions at all levels):

Work is timely, efficient, and of acceptable quality. Personal and organizational interactions exhibit and foster cooperation and teamwork. Flexibility, adaptability, and decisiveness are exercised appropriately.

LEVEL DESCRIPTORS	DISCRIMINATORS
LEVELI	
 Works with others to accomplish routine tasks. Contributes ideas on routine procedures. Interacts cooperatively with others. 	Scope of Team Effort Contribution to Team
Regularly completes tasks in support of team goals.	Effectiveness
 Works with others to accomplish tasks. Resolves administrative problems; facilitates cooperative interactions with others. 	Scope of Team Effort Contribution to Team
 Guides others and coordinates activities in support of team goals. Proactively functions as an integral part of the team. 	Effectiveness
LEVEL III	
Works with others on complex issues/problems that may cross functional areas.	Scope of Team Effort
Applies expertise in resolving complex administrative issues. Promotes and maintains environment for cooperation/teamwork. Sets tone for internal/external cooperation.	Contribution to Team
 Leads and guides others in formulating and executing plans in support of team goals. 	Effectiveness

FACTOR: 3. - CUSTOMER RELATIONS

FACTOR DESCRIPTION:

This factor describes/captures the effectiveness of personal and organizational interactions with customers (anyone to whom services or products are provided), both internal (within an assigned organization) and external (outside an assigned organization).

EXPECTED PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Applicable to all contributions at all levels):

Work is timely, efficient, and of acceptable quality. Personal and organizational interactions enhance customer relations and actively promote rapport with customers. Flexibility, adaptability, and decisiveness are exercised appropriately.

LEVEL DESCRIPTORS	DISCRIMINATORS
 LEVEL I Assists customer support activities. Meets routine customer needs. Interacts with customers on routine issues within specific guidelines. 	Breadth of Influence Customer Needs Customer Interaction Level
 LEVEL II Guides the administrative efforts of individuals or team members as they interact with customers. Independently interacts with customers to understand customer needs/expectations. Interacts independently with customers to communicate information and coordinate actions. 	Breadth of Influence Customer Needs Customer Interaction Level
 LEVEL III Identifies, defines, and guides administrative efforts in support of customer interactions; coordinates and focuses activities to support multiple customers. Establishes customer alliances and translates needs to customer service. Works independently with customers at all levels to define services and resolve non-routine problems. 	Breadth of Influence Customer Needs Customer Interaction Level

FACTOR: 4. - LEADERSHIP/SUPERVISION

FACTOR DESCRIPTION:

This factor describes/captures individual and organizational leadership and/or supervision to include that leaders/supervisors will recruit, develop, motivate, and retain quality team members in accordance with EEO/AA and merit principles. Takes timely/appropriate personnel actions, communicates mission and organizational goals; by example, creates a positive, safe, and challenging work environment; distributes work and empowers team members.

EXPECTED PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Applicable to all contributions at all levels):

Work is timely, efficient, and of acceptable quality. Leadership and/or supervision effectively promotes commitment to mission accomplishment. Flexibility, adaptability, and decisiveness are exercised appropriately.

LEVEL DESCRIPTORS	DISCRIMINATORS
LEVELI	
Takes initiative in accomplishing assigned tasks. Asks for assistance as appropriate.	Leadership Role
Provides input in administrative/functional area.	Breadth of Influence
Seeks and takes advantage of developmental opportunities.	Mentoring/Employee Development
LEVEL II	
 Actively contributes as team member or leader; takes initiative to accomplish assigned projects. 	Leadership Role
Guides others in accomplishing projects.	Breadth of Influence
 Identifies and pursues individual/team developmental opportunities. 	Mentoring/Employee Development
LEVEL III	
 Provides guidance to individuals/teams; resolves conflicts. Expertise solicited by others. 	Leadership Role
 Guides and accounts for results or activities of individuals, teams, or projects. 	Breadth of Influence
 Promotes individual/team development; leads development of training programs for self and others. 	Mentoring/Employee Development

FACTOR: 5. - COMMUNICATION

FACTOR DESCRIPTION:

This factor describes/captures the effectiveness of oral/written communications.

EXPECTED PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Applicable to all contributions at all levels):

Work is timely, efficient, and of acceptable quality. Communications are clear, concise, and at appropriate level. Flexibility, adaptability, and decisiveness are exercised appropriately.

LEVEL DESCRIPTORS	DISCRIMINATORS
 LEVEL I Communicates routine task/status results as required. Writes timely and accurate draft documentation. Explains status/results of assigned tasks. 	Level of Interaction (Audience) Written Oral
 LEVEL II Interprets and communicates administrative procedures within immediate organization. Prepares, coordinates, and consolidates documents, reports, or briefings. Communicates/presents internal administrative/functional procedures and tasks internally and externally. 	Level of Interaction (Audience) Written Oral
 LEVEL III Develops and advises on administrative procedures and communicates them to all levels, both internally and externally. Prepares, reviews, and/or approves documents, reports, or briefings. Explains and/or communicates administrative/functional procedures at all levels. 	Level of Interaction (Audience) Written Oral

FACTOR: 6. - RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

FACTOR DESCRIPTION:

This factor describes/captures personal and organizational utilization of resources to accomplish the mission. (Resources include, but are not limited to, personal time, equipment and facilities, human resources, and funds.)

EXPECTED PERFORMANCE CRITERIA (Applicable to all contributions at all levels):

Work is timely, efficient, and of acceptable quality. Available resources are utilized effectively to accomplish mission. Flexibility, adaptability, and decisiveness are exercised appropriately.

LEVEL DESCRIPTORS	DISCRIMINATORS
 LEVEL I Uses assigned resources to accomplish tasks. Plans individual time and assigned resources to accomplish tasks. Effectively accomplishes assigned tasks. 	Scope of Responsibility Planning/Budgeting Execution/Efficiency
 LEVEL II Identifies and uses resources to accomplish projects. Plans resources to achieve project schedules. Effectively accomplishes projects within established resource guidelines. 	Scope of Responsibility Planning/Budgeting Execution/Efficiency
 LEVEL III Plans, acquires, and allocates resources to accomplish objectives. Coordinates resources across projects. Optimizes resource utilization across projects. 	Scope of Responsibility Planning/Budgeting Execution/Efficiency