

NETWORK NOISE

LCAM/CAS Newsletter

Grand Junction to Host LCAM/CAS Meeting September 17-19, 1996

Grand Junction Network Meeting

On September 17, 1996, for three days, **LCAM/CAS Network Meeting** will be called to order at the Holiday Inn in Grand Junction, Colorado as organized by GJPO's Kyle Brannon. Please contact Kyle as far in advance as possible, to enable him to finalize reservations for all events. We should have some good information to disseminate, operating experience of CAIS 3.0, survival techniques, funding approaches, offsite work experiences, onsite innovations, etc. Bring your ideas!

Robert L. Von Eschen
Network Chairman

CAIS 3.0 issued on May 23, 1996

On May 23, 1996, Parsons-Brinkerhoff issued the **Site and Inspection CAIS 3.0** software. Reports are that several sites have loaded the software, placed it in operation and are very pleased with the result. Please bring any questions, difficulties, or innovations to the meeting and share them with the network personnel. Hopefully several sites will

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have sample reports to share, that have been generated as an extension of the software furnished.

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Announcements

Notice was received that **Jim Ficklin** of Hanford has left the CAS Program. Jim, Chairman of the Inspection Committee, was a dynamic asset to our network and will be missed for his leadership and personality. I have given Jim our best wishes and thanks for his assistance in the CAS program and the LCAM/CAS Network operation.

As we had been informed, **KPMG/Peat Marwick** has completed their contract and have moved on to bigger and better things. I wish to extend thanks and best to those several individuals that have been great help to many of us individually in the development and operation problems of the CAIS software. I am sure that the network personnel will agree that we will miss them as FRIENDS.

On an upbeat note, let me welcome **Dyn Corporation** to the program to continue the development and maintenance of the CAIS software. I hope that we will get A "CAS Technical Network" has been installed using Compaq computers on a UNIX-ORACLE system, since the site uses an IBM-Norvell-DOS-Windows system. No connection has been made

the opportunity to meet some of the personnel at the Network Meeting. WELCOME ABOARD!

Robert L. Von Eschen
Network Chairman

Notes from the Chairman

Many changes have been made in the site organizations and we will be interested in the changes in personnel, reorganizations, changes in mission and new scopes of work. Please be prepared to share these with us. A couple of subjects that should be explored are:

- *CAS/CAIS activities to meet LCAM requirements
- *CAS/CAIS input to the FIMS Program
- *Formation of a Predictive Monitoring Committee
- *Future meeting intervals, dates and locations

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to the new CAS Network.

The CAIS 3.0 software was received, has been installed and is now being used for the July 96 CAS inspections. So far the software is

operating in the advertised manner. The inspectors are using the desk top input rather than the DCD's and then download to the filed CAIS software.

CAS inspections continued on the 635 Pantex facilities, but in the next quarter the inspection scope will be reduced by 270 (Balance-of-Plant) facilities. However, a new scope of work has been added to the inspection with the monitoring of the completion of correction actions identified by the safety, OSHA and environmental walk down teams.

The CAS inspection team has developed about 30% of the facilities "Facility Specification Sheets" and the associated "Profiles." The Facility Specification Sheets include all of the technical parameters of the facility and a color photograph of the facility. The Profile includes the physical outline of the facility, the door numbering, individual identifications of each area within the facility and, as required, additional sheets to record lightning protection, fire protection, etc. The Facility Specification is issued in color with the (outline) profile on the reverse side.

A facility "USER" cost estimating system has been developed with the calculations completed, in part for all facilities. The calculations are completed and results issued for each facility in the month of the CAS inspection. The developed system includes costs of construction, modifications, maintenance, utilities, security and a share of the site general maintenance.

A new format of the facility index has been developed and was issued at the end of the third FY96 fiscal quarter. The new format has gained good reception as including all required information for a wide range of users.

The CAS program personnel has been reduced by resource realignment, thus a loss of the alternate CAS mechanical inspector. Also, the current mechanical inspector has announced his retirement on September 30, 1996. We expect to recruit a new inspector and refill the position to maintain one inspector of each discipline.

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Guess what? We are still alive until September 30, 1997. Yes, 1997. Thanks to the contributions of the Programs CAS will be supported thru September 1997. Contract services with KPMG will continue with an extension to September 30, 1996. Their support will be taken over by DynCorp starting in October. Transition will start this summer. Parsons continues with engineering support thru 1997. DynCorp takes over management of the contract in October.

So get Version 3.0 up and running this summer. Enjoy the summer! CAS LIVES.

Kenneth C. Baker
CAS Technical Representative

A Word From the Editor

I would like to welcome the folks from NASA in Cleveland, Ohio. It is my understanding that they are setting up their CAIS system and receiving inspector training the second week of August. We wish them much success and hope that they will be able to be represented in Grand Junction. I'm sure I speak for the others in the Network by offering you any assistance that you need.

I hope to see everyone at the meeting in Grand Junction. Please make every effort to attend if possible because I know that Kyle has put a lot of effort into making it a success. I have enclosed copies of the agenda and hotel information. Please reserve your space as early as possible.

Well, this is the August issue of the LCAM/CAS newsletter. I hope you enjoy it. The next issue will be sent out in December so keep me informed of the latest happenings and personnel changes so we can keep our information current

Terry Christie
Editor