Spring Town Hall Meeting Focuses on Climate Survey, Defense Spending

By Ellyn Kocher, PEO EIS

Mr. Wiltsie addresses the workforce at the Spring Town Hall meeting in May.

It was standing room only at the third quarter Program Executive Office, Enterprise Information Systems (PEO EIS) town hall meeting on May 3. The latest town hall was held at the Defense Acquisition University's Scott Hall, Fort Belvoir, Va., with EIS team members dialing in from 12 PEO EIS locations across the country.

Mr. Douglas Wiltsie, PEO, led the town hall briefing with an overview of the Secretary of the Army for Acquisition, Logistics and Technology's (ASAALT) expectations in the coming fiscal years and how the PEO will position itself to be agile and responsive in a changing fiscal environment as the Defense Department draws down its budget.

Mr. Wiltsie officially introduced two new PEO EIS organizations, PD Korea Transformation and Yongsan Relocation Plan (KT) and PD Enterprise Email (EE), led by Mr. Joel Phillips and Mr. John Howell, respectively. Mr.

Organization Day 2012

By Ellyn Kocher, PEO EIS

The annual PEO EIS Organization Day was held Friday, June 22, on Fort Belvoir's North Post field, across from Soldier Statesman Park.

The morning kicked off with softball and volleyball before the heat set in, followed by music spun by a dee-jay, kids activities, the ever-popular karaoke and light snacks.

Hamburgers, veggie burgers and hotdogs with all the fixings were enjoyed, along with pulled pork barbeque, chips, mac and cheese, and chicken wings. Popcorn, the ever popular Sno Cones, and patriotic red, white and blue cupcakes were also available for big and small kids alike.

Among the younger set, the moon bounce was a huge draw, along with games that included water balloon catch and tug o' war, as well as many crafting activities. The dunk tank was again a crowd pleaser, as both Mr. Wiltsie and Ms. Watson were good sports about being repeatedly dunked and drenched. Fellow brave souls who volunteered for the dunk tank were COLs Sandy Vann-Olejasz (Biometrics), Patrick Burden (GFEBS) and Robert McVay (IPPS-A), LTC Cary Ferguson (J-AIT), Brendan Burke (CHESS), Jeremy Hiers (TIS), Ty Bledsoe (VIS), and John Cox (BTD). Employees, families and friends purchased tickets to dunk their favorite participant, and though there was stiff competition, Mr. Burke took the lead with 35 dunk tickets sold. Fortunately, it was a hot day so they got to cool off, while others cooled in the shade under tents and trees, or with a pass under the misting tent.

The weather cooperated and a total of 456 tickets were sold for the event. A ticket booth was established this year for purchasing tickets on-site or obtaining replacement tickets, and metrics were gathered on how many enjoyed the food line to better anticipate food costs and likes for future events. Many thanks to OTSD for all of their hard work in planning and executing this event for the enjoyment of PEO EIS employees and their families and friends. 🌐

What's Next at LMP?
Increment 2 Gets Ready to Take Off

By Christine McMahon, LMP

The Logistics Modernization Program (LMP) may have transitioned to sustainment, but that doesn't mean its work is done. In addition to sustaining the deployed operational production baseline (also known as Increment 1), LMP is now focused on delivering Increment 2, which will provide enhancements to the deployed system, adding capability to the depots and expanding LMPs offerings and benefits.

Increment 2 will include the following functionality and en-hancements, each of which complement the current LMP system and put needed, additional capabilities in the hands of those supporting Soldiers around the globe:

- Expanded Industrial Base (EIB). In addition to support-ing work loading, scheduling, inventory management, and parts supply for industrial base missions through Increment 2 EIB, LMP also will assist in the execution level of mainte-nance and production. This includes Item Unique Identifi-cation (IUID) capture and tracking capability and weapons system configuration and genealogy, enabling Automatic Identification Technology (AIT) to reduce data entry er-rors and allow industrial base technicians to quickly view planned tasks and record actual execution. Additionally, EIB functionality will deliver a standard Enterprise solution for Shop Floor Automation (SFA) using Complex Assembly Manufacturing Solution (CAMS) and Plant Maintenance (PM) in support of tool crib management.

- Extended Ammunition (AMMO). The LMP Increment 2 will replace the several systems currently being used to receive, store, survey, and issue ammunition, as well as streamline the business processes that run all aspects of ammunition management.

- Non-Army Managed Items (NAMI). Increment 2 provides the modernized capability to assure maximum use of Army-owned, but other Source of Supply (SOS)-managed, assets through the redistribution of Army Working Capital

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Wiltsie also announced two new organizations to be char-tered in the coming months – Product Manager Increment 2, a sub-organization to Integrated Personnel and Payment Sys-tem – Army (IPPS-A), and Product Manager General Fund Enterprise Business System-Sensitive Activities (GFEBS-SA).

Other topics covered included continuing construction, traffic and parking issues on Fort Belvoir, manpower planning, re-sults of the climate survey, and policies such as telework and alternate work schedules.

The PEO briefing was followed by a question and answer period for questions that were sent in prior to the town hall, as well as open floor questions and comments fielded by Mr. Wiltsie; Ms. Patricia Lambert, Chief of Staff; Mr. Jim Kline,

Operations and Theater Support Directorate (OTSD); and Mr. Hari Bezwada, Chief Information Officer.

Mr. Wiltsie making a point during the Town Hall meeting in May.

RCAS Change of Charter Welcomes New Leadership

By Jo Manson, PEO EIS

On June 20, Mr. Wiltsie, PEO, performed the change of charter ceremony for the Reserve Component Automation Systems (RCAS). Outgoing Project Director (PD) Tom Neff passed the mantle of leadership to Mr. Ralph Ocasio, formerly the Deputy PD for RCAS.

The change of charter marked the end of Mr. Neff's more than three year tenure as the PD RCAS. Mr. Neff assumed the RCAS charter from current Assistant PEO Mr. Bobby McKinnon in September 2009, but he was no stranger to RCAS, having served in his first acquisition assignment as a Captain assigned to the RCAS Engineering Support Office from August 1999 to November 2002.

During Mr. Neff's tenure, RCAS went through many improvements and upgrades, and launched cost-saving initiatives. RCAS implemented a web-database server refresh across the Army National Guard (ARNG) and the U.S. Army Reserve (USAR), to include deployment of virtualization technology to enable better server use for Soldiers and compliance with Army Chief Information Officer/G-6 guidance. Under Mr. Neff's leadership, RCAS also partnered with the ARNG Training Division, who developed content for a distributed learning-based end-user training program, which RCAS hosted on the Army Learning Management System. This was a first ever investment in developing and fielding by RCAS, providing better support to near real time end-user requests for training. Mr. Neff also led RCAS in a $33 million BRAC-funded data and

Mr. Wiltsie presents Mr. Ocasio with the RCAS Charter at a ceremony on June 20.

VoIP modernization project for the USAR to provide modern IT infrastructure for new and renovated USAR Reserve Centers.

Mr. Ocasio served as the Deputy PD RCAS for two years prior to assuming the charter. Before his position with RCAS, he worked for PEO EIS' Program Management Directorate (PMD) and has also held high-level positions with the Joint-Automatic Identification Technology (J-AIT) and the Transportation Information Systems (TIS) programs.

Mr. Wiltsie presented the Superior Civilian Service Award to Mr. Neff in recognition of his many years of service to the PEO and the Army.

Attending families of Mr. Neff and Mr. Ocasio included Dr. Sheila Neff and Robert Neff, wife and son of Mr. Tom Neff; and Mrs. Pat Ocasio and JJ Ocasio, wife and son of Mr. Ralph Ocasio, as well as Mr. Ocasio's granddaughter Jazz.

Other senior EIS leaders included Deputy PEO, Ms. Terry Watson; Assistant PEO Enterprise Management Systems (EMS) Mr. Reginald Bagby; and APEO Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP) Mr. Bobby McKinnon. Former PEO EIS, Mr. Kevin Carroll, was also in attendance.

Mr. Neff was selected for the prestigious Industrial College of the Armed Forces (ICAF), which will be his next duty assignment. A reception immediately followed the ceremony. ⊕

PEO EIS Events of Interest

PM Collaboration Meeting	HQ PEO EIS	July 24
KT Assumption of Charter	HQ PEO EIS	August 7
TechNet Land Forces – East	Baltimore, Md.	August 13-16
PM Collaboration Meeting	HQ PEO EIS	August 22
DWTS Change of Charter	TBD	August 29 (Date subject to change)
AUSA Annual Conference	Washington, D.C.	October 22-24

CHESS Saves PEO EIS PMs and AMC Millions in Oracle Licenses and Maintenance

By Robert Grasso, CHESS

Computer Hardware, Enterprise Software and Solutions (CHESS) awarded an Enterprise License Agreement (ELA) on May 29 for Oracle licenses and maintenance in support of PEO EIS and the U.S. Army Materiel Command (AMC).

The ELA affords all PEO EIS programs and AMC organizations the unlimited use of 11 license products, quantity buys for an additional eight products, and discounts on others. The product mix for the unlimited items is based on the most commonly used products across PEO EIS and AMC, including: Database Enterprise edition, Advanced Security, Web Logic Suite, Real Application Cluster, Partitioning Identity and Access, Management Suite Plus Database Lifecycle, Management Pack, Diagnostics Pack, Tuning Pack, Spatial Business Intelligence, and the Server Enterprise Edition.

All licenses will be owned, and maintenance on licenses moving forward is a set amount. The agreement should resolve any current compliance issues for the 11 ELA products.

The ELA consolidates existing Oracle maintenance agreements into one agreement with a standardized period of performance of Jan. 1 through Dec. 31 for each year of the performance period. Overall benefits also include providing stable, locked-in prices for accurate budgeting, and a drastic reduction of administrative costs for tracking and monitoring the metrics.

This effort consolidated more than 250 existing maintenance contracts across PEO EIS and AMC. Further, the first Army managed Sharepoint licensing portal tracker is being created to allow ease of issuance and tracking.

The anticipated cost avoidance for this agreement is estimated to be at least $10 million over the three year period, and potentially as high as $50 million when accounting for contractual administration and other issues. 🌐

CHESS Inserts Tablets and Slates for CB 15

By Michael Dorsey, CHESS

The PD CHESS opened the 15th Consolidated Buy (CB) for ordering June 18 with the exciting announcement that tablets and slates are now available to all government organizations purchasing desktops, notebooks and printers during CB 15. The ordering period runs through Sept. 30.

Tablets offer a highly mobile platform that perform similar to laptops, but weigh less and have touch screen capability. Slates – smaller-sized tablets with touch screen imprint – will also be offered.

Customers can choose from eight tablets/slates.

What sets the tablets and slates offered in CB-15 apart is their ability to meet network standards and run the Microsoft Windows-based Army Golden Master (AGM).

This means they can be connected to Army network, process For Official Use Only (FOUO) documents, and obtain standard security patches. The CB 15 is open to all government agencies and employees eligible to buy from CHESS, the Army mandated purchasing program. For purchases by individual government employees, please visit the CHESS website (https://chess.army.mil under Resources) for more information about the Government Employees Purchase Program.

Additional information about the tablets/slates is on the CHESS website at https://CHESS.army.mil. CHESS has also established an AKO page where customers can review benchmark information for the CB desktops and notebooks.

CB offers substantial savings regardless of the quantities procured. CB products and prices are posted on the CHESS website in the online comparison tool and in a downloadable spreadsheet file, making it easy for customers to compare products and prices by category and make an assessment of all eight ADMC-2 vendor product offerings. 🌐

Annual PAO Collaboration Meeting

By Ellyn Kocher, PEO EIS

The PEO EIS Congressional and Strategic Communications team conducted its annual collaboration meeting and training for program Public Affairs Officers (PAOs) throughout the PEO June 6-7 at Headquarters, PEO EIS. Ms. Ellyn Kocher, Ms. Jo Manson, Ms. Jamie Lien and Mr. Austin Holtsclaw facilitated the agenda and training for both days.

The agenda for the first day included an address by Ms. Terry Watson, Deputy PEO EIS. Mr. Steve Love, Director of Strategic Communications, ASA(ALT), briefed on Army budget and communication priorities and the Army Campaign Plan. Because he is currently serving a detail with the Office of the Chief of Public Affairs (OCPA), Mr. Love is uniquely positioned to advise on both ASA(ALT) and OCPA priorities and initiatives. Equally informative was SSG Dale Sweetnam, NCOIC for Social Media, OCPA, who gave an overview of the media relations division at OCPA and some of the guidelines and resources for launching and maintaining social media presence. Mr. Jeff Crites, Social Media Expert and CEO of Bricks and Clicks, a consulting company he helped found to assist government agencies with their social media outreach, gave real-time news and tips on changes to the top social media outlets (Facebook, Twitter, Pinterest, Flickr), as well as providing resources for consolidated trending news. Mr. Ray Steen, Medical Communications for Combat Casualty Care (MC4), provided a briefing on strategic planning for PAOs, and Mr. Alan Morales and SFC Steven Roach, Integrated Personnel and Payment System – Army (IPPS-A), briefed on surveys and baseline results. Mr. Barry Rosenberg and Mr. David Smith, Defense Systems Magazine, often partner with PEO EIS in telling our stories, and encouraged PAOs to provide frequent stories for online and print publication, to include content for a regular PM Spotlight feature they are promoting. Finally, Mr. Austin Holtsclaw gave an overview of congressional actions and the audit process, and Ms. Regina Bumper, Protocol, gave a 101 briefing for PAOs, covering flags, seating, and all facets of protocol events planning.

Mr. Jeff Crites, Social Media Expert, Bricks and Clicks

The second day of the collaboration was devoted to the Top Chef public affairs training, a comprehensive overview of PEO EIS PAO practices, forms and resources. There were 28 program attendees for the first day of the program, and 11 for the second day. Attendees gave the collaboration meeting high marks

Mr. Ray Steen, PAO, MC4

on the survey, commenting that the social media information provided by Mr. Crites was new and useful, giving them many ideas for outreach and trending sources, and that Mr. Love's presentation included information they have not received before and felt was useful for their strategic communications planning and to take back to their leadership. Surveys revealed that attendees would like future events to cover milsuite/milwiki, and to continue to provide more in-depth social media training. Training opportunities for PAOs will increase in the coming months, with the move to a bi-annual collaboration meeting format and the introduction of regular brown bag events. In addition to more social media, cloud and milsuite/milwiki discussion, content will include higher headquarters information and updates such as Army Campaign Plan and budget information as requested by attendees. 🌐

Hails & Farewells

Farewell

LTC Maurice Stewart, Product Manager, AcqBusiness
LTC Cary Ferguson, Product Manager, J-AIT
Mr. Thomas Neff, Project Director RCAS
MAJ Glover Castro, Assistant Product Manager, MC4
Mr. Ted Bohmer, Administrative Support Specialist, MC4

Hail

June

LTC Delisa Hernandez, Product Manager AcqBusiness
Mr. James Alexander, Product Director, J-AIT
Mr. Joel Phillips, Product Director, Korea Transformation
Mr. Ralph Ocasio, Product Director, RCAS

July

LTC Mollie Pearson, Product Manager, P2E
LTC Matthew Schramm, Product Manager, GFEBS SA

Fund (AWCF) materials that had been declared excess by field users. Through Increment 2, LMP will provide financial management of these assets and expand the visibility of Army inventory in the Enterprise solution.

- Army Prepositioned Stock (APS). The planning of war reserve requirement levels is currently performed outside of LMP, requiring off-line analysis and manual entry of thousands of lines of materiel requirements at multiple APS sites. Through Increment 2, LMP will be able to link into the APS system automatically and share data.

- National Maintenance Program (NMP). With Increment 2, LMP will better sync with NMP for maintenance and repair of AMC-owned materiel. Additionally, Global Combat Support System – Army (GCSS-Army) replaced the NMP maintenance execution system and the work loading and management processes in LMP will be integrated in order to track execution costs, provide delivery dates, and allow

Army item managers to more effectively plan materiel support to the Soldier.

- Other Army Enterprise Resource Planning (ERP)/Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) ERP Integration Efforts. Through Increment 2, LMP will better meet requirements to interchange data with the other Army and DLA ERPs.

Increment 2 implementation will be fielded in three waves over the next three years, and the LMP Product Management Office (PMO) is treating each wave and release with the same level of intensity as its prior deployments. The LMP PMO is committed to working with its customers and stakeholders to create an environment of success for both the implementation of Increment 2 and how it executes in support of Soldiers.

Stay tuned for more news and updates as LMP Increment 2 efforts progress. 🌐

Seeking Nominations for Government and Industry Awards

By Ellyn Kocher, PEO EIS public affairs

There are many diverse and successful stories within the PEO EIS family of programs, and the top notch PEO EIS workforce who make these products, services and capabilities possible deserve recognition. This year marks a decline in submissions of awards nominations -- an unfortunate trend when you consider that nominations are a wonderful and almost always free opportunity for PEO EIS programs to gain recognition and accolades for their work and their employees.

PM/PD PAOs are a part of regular collaboration meetings, teleconferences and training sessions in which preparation for awards nominations for submission are discussed and resources are provided. An awards calendar and list of awards are maintained by the PEO EIS PAO staff, and further information concerning awards can be found on AKO at the following link: https://www.us.army.mil/suite/files/30709663

PEO EIS programs are encouraged to seek and track upcoming awards opportunities and send nomination packag-

es for approval. Mr. Douglas Wiltsie, PEO, is the nominator for all packages, and a two week turnaround for all submissions to allow time for editing and staffing with leadership for approval is recommended.

POC for Industry Awards: Ms. Jo Manson, PEO EIS public affairs, 703-806-3980, jo.w.manson2.ctr@mail.mil

POC for Government Awards: Mr. Robert Aldrich, PEO EIS human resources, 703-806-4272, Robert.c.aldrich3.civ@mail.mil

The following are samples of upcoming awards opportunities for consideration:

AFEI Excellence in Enterprise Integration	Due July 29
NDIA Top 5 Programs/Ferguson Award	Due July 31
SOLE Awards	Released July
Computer World Premier 100	Due August 31
Defense Logistics	Released August

PEO EIS Organizational Changes (as of July 1, 2012)

Program Moves:

PM Installation Information Infrastructure Communications & Capabilities (I3C2), formerly PM NES
- PdM I3MP
- PdM P2E
- PD KT

PD Enterprise Services (ES)
- PD Enterprise Email / Collaboration
- PD AKO
- PD ALTESS
- PD Cloud / Zero-Thin Client / Army Data Center Consolidation
- PD ES move to Enterprise Management Systems (EMS)

PdM AcqBusiness from PM I3C2 (formerly PM NES) to EMS

PdM J-AIT from PM DCATS to Enterprise Resource Planning Systems (ERP)

PD RCAS from ERP to EMS

PM DoD Biometrics from EMS to a separate Biometrics Portfolio

Changes in PM Report Chain:

PD AHRS reports to COL McVay

PD IMS-A reports to COL McVay

PdM AcqBusiness reports to Mr. Bagby

PD J-AIT reports to Mr. McKinnon

PD RCAS reports to Mr. Bagby

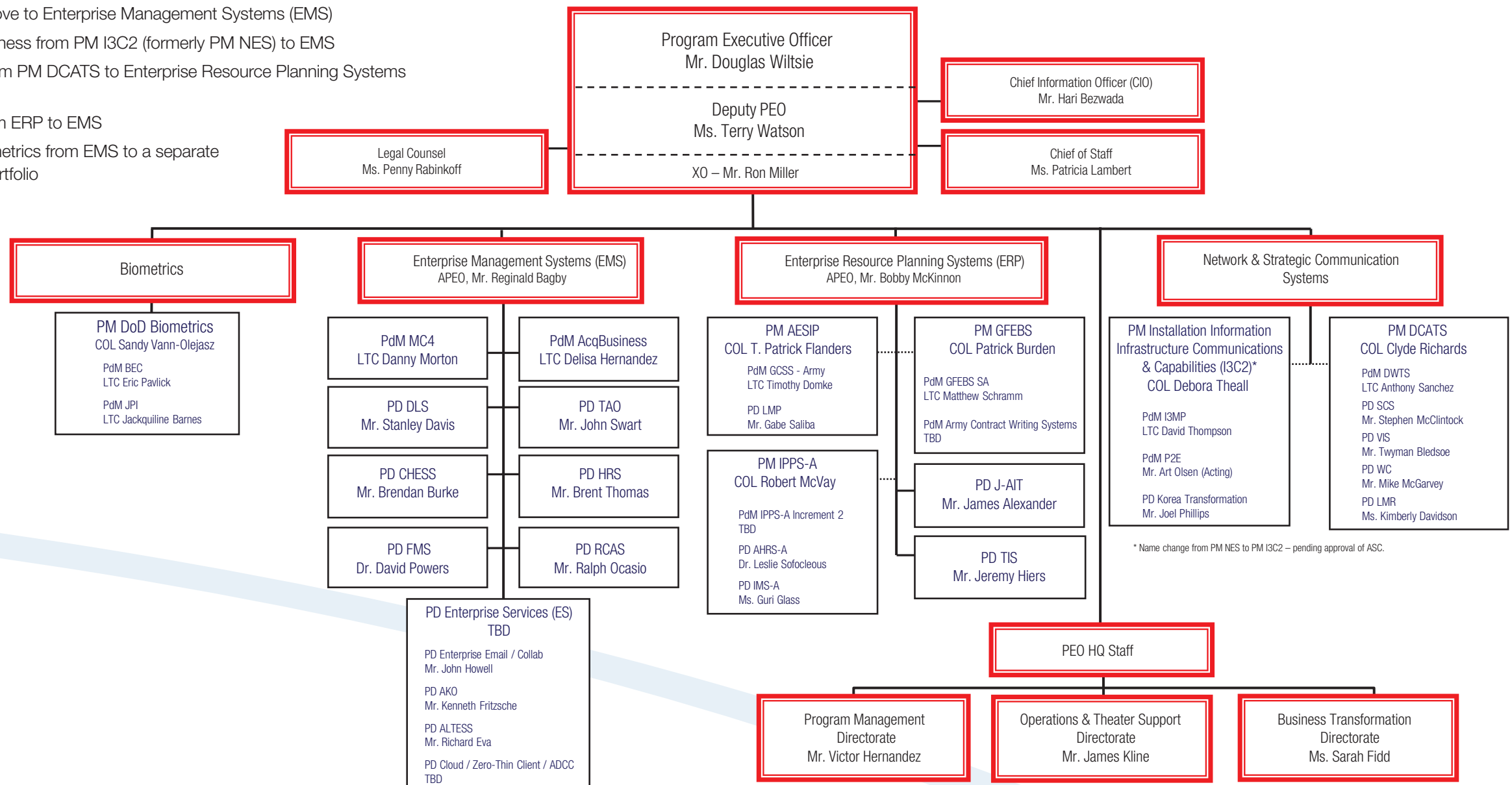PD ES reports to Mr. Bagby (PDs within PD ES will be direct report to Mr. Bagby pending PD ES fill)

PEO HQ Staff Changes:

Move Strategic Communications and Media from BTSCD to PMD Congressional and Strategic Communications under Ms. Erin Buechel Wieczorek

The Business Transformation and Strategic Communications Directorate (BTSCD) is now the Business Transformation Directorate (BTD)

Move SACO from CoS to OTSD

Move IV&V function from CIO to PMD

Program Executive Officer
Mr. Douglas Wiltsie

Deputy PEO
Ms. Terry Watson

XO – Mr. Ron Miller

Chief Information Officer (CIO)
Mr. Hari Bezwada

Chief of Staff
Ms. Patricia Lambert

Legal Counsel
Ms. Penny Rabinkoff

Biometrics

PM DoD Biometrics
COL Sandy Vann-Olejasz

PdM BEC
LTC Eric Pavlick

PdM JPI
LTC Jackquiline Barnes

Enterprise Management Systems (EMS)
APEO, Mr. Reginald Bagby

PdM MC4
LTC Danny Morton

PD DLS
Mr. Stanley Davis

PD CHESS
Mr. Brendan Burke

PD FMS
Dr. David Powers

PdM AcqBusiness
LTC Delisa Hernandez

PD TAO
Mr. John Swart

PD HRS
Mr. Brent Thomas

PD RCAS
Mr. Ralph Ocasio

PD Enterprise Services (ES)
TBD

PD Enterprise Email / Collab
Mr. John Howell

PD AKO
Mr. Kenneth Fritzsche

PD ALTESS
Mr. Richard Eva

PD Cloud / Zero-Thin Client / ADCC
TBD

Enterprise Resource Planning Systems (ERP)
APEO, Mr. Bobby McKinnon

PM AESIP
COL T. Patrick Flanders

PdM GCSS - Army
LTC Timothy Domke

PD LMP
Mr. Gabe Saliba

PM IPPS-A
COL Robert McVay

PdM IPPS-A Increment 2
TBD

PD AHRS-A
Dr. Leslie Sofocleous

PD IMS-A
Ms. Guri Glass

PM GFEBS
COL Patrick Burden

PdM GFEBS SA
LTC Matthew Schramm

PdM Army Contract Writing Systems
TBD

PD J-AIT
Mr. James Alexander

PD TIS
Mr. Jeremy Hiers

Network & Strategic Communication Systems

PM Installation Information Infrastructure Communications & Capabilities (I3C2)*
COL Debora Theall

PdM I3MP
LTC David Thompson

PdM P2E
Mr. Art Olsen (Acting)

PD Korea Transformation
Mr. Joel Phillips

PM DCATS
COL Clyde Richards

PdM DWTS
LTC Anthony Sanchez

PD SCS
Mr. Stephen McClintock

PD VIS
Mr. Twyman Bledsoe

PD WC
Mr. Mike McGarvey

PD LMR
Ms. Kimberly Davidson

* Name change from PM NES to PM I3C2 – pending approval of ASC.

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Mr. James Kline

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