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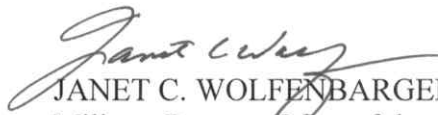FROM: SAF/AQ
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SUBJECT: Air Force Implementation of the New OSD Technology Development
Strategy/Acquisiton Strategy (TDS/AS), Program Protection Plan (PPP), Life Cycle
Sustainment Plan (LCSP), and Systems Engineering Plan (SEP) Templates

References: (a) Document Streamlining-Program Strategies and Systems Engineering Plan, Apr 20,
2011
(b) Document Streamlining-Program Protection Plan (PPP), Jul 18, 2011
(c) Document Streamlining-Life-Cycle Sustainment Plan (LCSP), Sep 14, 2011

1. The plans within the Under Secretary of Defense for Acquisition, Technology, and Logistics
USD(AT&L) memos referenced above have been streamlined to provide management the necessary
information in efficient, agile documents to support timely, effective management decisions.

2. All new Air Force programs and existing programs requiring Office of the Secretary of Defense
(OSD) oversight will prepare documentation consistent with the templates. For other existing
programs, the Milestone Decision Authority (MDA) will determine how to capture the information
requirements dictated by the new templates. Regardless of the format used to document the results,
Program Managers (PM) are responsible for ensuring that the content of the plans meets all
applicable statutory and regulatory requirements.

3. Although the Life Cycle Management Plan (LCMP) format is not reflected in the OSD templates,
the concept which allowed for streamlining the number of program documents by consolidating the
Acquisition Strategy (AS), Acquisition Plan, and LCSP into a single document is still a viable
tailoring alternative. For programs where OSD is the MDA, the PM can suggest a tailoring strategy
utilizing the LCMP format; the tailoring strategy must be coordinated and approved by the MDA.
For AF programs delegated to the SAE and below, the MDA can approve a tailored LCMP
combining the AS, Acquisition Plan, and LCSP, if it is appropriate for the program and properly
documented. The LCMP template contained in AFPAM 63-128 will be updated to reflect the
information requirements of the OSD templates. Programs must have an LCMP, or an AS and LCSP
developed in accordance with the OSD templates.

4. For Air Force programs delegated to the SAE and below, the approval authority for the TDS/AS,
LCSP, and SEP is the MDA. The SAE has delegated SEP approval authority to SAF/AQR for ACAT
IC programs and non-delegated ACAT II programs, and to the responsible PEO for delegated ACAT
II programs and below. Every acquisition program shall submit a PPP for MDA review and approval
at Milestone A and shall update the PPP at each subsequent milestone and the Full-Rate Production
decision. This memorandum delegates approval authority for the Corrosion Prevention and Control

Plan (formerly a part of the AS), Programmatic Environment, Safety, and Occupational Health Evaluation (PESHE), and Item Unique Identification (IUID) Implementation Plan, regardless of ACAT, to the PEO.

5. Subject Documentation templates are attached to each of the referenced memos. Please refer to the Defense Acquisition Guidebook or the Acquisition Policy Page under the Acquisition Functional on the Air Force Portal for the templates. Further guidance will be codified in policy as USD(AT&L) and the Services gain experience. If you have any questions, please contact Eric Meier, 571-256-0415, eric.meier@pentagon.af.mil, or SAF/AQXA Workflow (SAFAQXA.Workflow@pentagon.af.mil).

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