



Acquisition Directorate

Transitioning to the Fleet

PROGRAM DESCRIPTION:

The Coast Guard's Acquisition Directorate (CG-9) not only delivers products that meet contract cost, schedule and performance parameters; CG-9 also works closely with other headquarters offices to ensure that the service's logistics community and facilities infrastructure can absorb and support new assets effectively. Working with its partners, the Acquisition Directorate helps to provide total asset lifecycle management services, including logistics policy and process development and technical expertise to help acquisition projects transition products from procurement to operation and sustainment.

The Acquisition Logistics program provides coordination and policy guidance for the Integrated Logistics Support (ILS) Plans developed to support and sustain the Coast Guard's new major systems acquisitions. In collaboration with other Coast Guard headquarters directorates, the program fosters partnerships that help ensure that the logistics plans for new assets are sufficient and they comply with Coast Guard and Department of Homeland Security (DHS) policy guidance. Acquisition Logistics also works with the Department of Homeland Security to develop cross-component ILS guidance where commonality exists with other agencies.

The Asset Project Office (APO), located in the vicinity of the Coast Guard Yard and Surface Forces Logistics Center (SFLC) in Baltimore, Md., plans, manages and executes the delivery and transition of newly acquired Coast Guard assets to operational service. The APO provides logistics, systems engineering and integration, business process support and decision-making analysis services. The APO's technical subject matter expertise helps to prepare product lines for sustainment, providing critical continuity for lifecycle support of new assets. The APO has established and supports product lines for each of the Coast Guard's major surface asset categories, similar to those of the Aviation Logistics Center (ALC) at Elizabeth City, N.C. The product line organizational structure helps the APO to work interdependently with the acquisition, logistics and operational communities, bridging the gap between the sometimes disparate processes of acquisition and long-term sustainment.

The Major Acquisition Systems Infrastructure (MASI) program provides resources to address the facilities needs associated with the acquisition of new or improved assets, such as surface vessels and aircraft. MASI funds facilities construction projects that help prepare field sites to receive, operate, and sustain new assets. MASI's ongoing activities include homeport upgrades for the National Security Cutters at Alameda, Calif., and Charleston, S.C.; homeports for the Fast Response Cutters at San Juan, Puerto Rico, Pascagoula, Miss., Ketchikan, Alaska, and Honolulu, Hawaii. MASI funding also has supported hangar modifications and other infrastructure improvements for new aviation assets, such as the HC-144A Ocean Sentry Maritime Patrol Aircraft (MPA).

For updates on the APO, visit the Transitioning to the Fleet website at <http://www.uscg.mil/acquisition/logistics/transition.asp>.

FEATURES

- The APO has product lines for the National Security Cutter, Fast Response Cutter, Response Boat-Medium and Response Boat-Small.
- MASI funding will support additional maintenance facilities upgrades for the MPA project at the ALC, as well as various infrastructure projects to support the Response Boat-Medium, now being deployed to Coast Guard boat stations around the country.



Mission execution begins here.