

# DEFENSE TRANSPORTATION ELECTRONIC BUSINESS (DTEB) COMMITTEE

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## REPSHIP Working Group Meeting Minutes

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## INTRODUCTION

Stakeholders<sup>1</sup> from various DoD organizations and agencies met via teleconference to discuss and plan the implementation of the Due-In (856A) and Nodal Status (315N) Electronic Data Interchange (EDI) Implementation Conventions (ICs) to support the Report of Shipment (REPSHIP) process for Nuclear Weapon Related Material (NWRM) and Arms, Ammunition, and Explosives (AA&E) shipments. The 856A Due-In serves as the REPSHIP message while the Nodal Status 315N serves as the REPSHIP Notice Receipt message and Shipment Unit Receipt message. The 856A and 315N ICs are available on the DTEB website at the following link: [TRANSCOM site link](#). In addition, the Due-In information will be provided to the Air Force's Enterprise Data Collection Layer (EDCL) using a DTEB-developed temporary XML schema.

John Will, USTRANSCOM – J6 facilitated the meeting.

## SYSTEM IMPLEMENTATION STATUS

Status updates were provided on various system's progress and levels of implementation. Representative from DSS indicated that they are currently coded to the specifications outlined in the IC with the exception of consolidated shipments with multiple consignees and sending of the interior TCN in-lieu-of the exterior level TCN. This was an issue that came up during development and is still being vetted. The workgroup discussed and general consensus was that REPSHIP cargo was to be reported in this way. Question was raised regarding will any DLA shipments to CMOS contain multiple consignees at the highest level shipment unit. The answer provided was yes. It was reported that HQ DLA has not provided DDC the change requirement to make DSS capable of generating and sending multiple Due-Ins for multiple consignee shipments. Ms Griffin of HQ DLA reported that they are generating and anticipate the functionality could not be included before the 12.2 release scheduled for implementation in January 2013. It was emphasized that this would only be for consideration in the 12.2 release and

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has not been approved for implementation with the 12.2 release at this time. The 315N nodal status message is currently only planned to be implemented by DLA in response to a REPSHIP. Questions were raised regarding if DLA plans to send a nodal status message (315N) when a shipment arrives at a CCP or TCSP. DLA advised that this is currently not planned and has not been discussed. This would be a new requirement for DLA which they agreed to take back and review internally.

CMOS reported that version 7.3.3.4, which includes automated REPSHIP, is deployed at all Air Force sites. Army is being upgraded the weekend of 5/6-Mar-11 to version 7.3.3.4 as well so all branches of service on CMOS will be on this version and will be able to send/receive the 856A and 315N messages.

GTN/IGC reported that they are currently under development and will shortly begin testing. It is anticipated that a spring 2011 implementation of REPSHIP will be completed.

DLA Transaction Services reported no issues with the implementation of REPSHIP at this time.

GFM reported that they continue to review requirements. Some issues have been identified when integrating with the Controlled Item Inventory Codes (CIIC). Issues with integration are primarily with mapping from REPSHIP where only one CIIC (code value 'C') is provided and no Security Risk Category (SRC) or AA&E category is provided.

GATES and FACTS had no updates at this time.

## PENDING DTR CHANGES

In a previous meeting, we noted that the Air Force, in coordination with DLA, recently submitted two Defense Transportation Regulation (DTR) changes to USTRANSCOM for consideration. Mr. Will indicated that Gary Conklin, USTRANSCOM J5/J4-PT, recently sent the proposed changes to the Services and other stakeholders for informal coordination, with comments due back 18 February 2011.

Responses are being gathered and compiled for delivery to USTRANSCOM J5/J4-PT prior to the comment due date. No update was provided at this call and the item was held in abeyance.

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## ACTION ITEM REVIEW

### NWRM Shipment Notification

At the September 2010 REPSHIP meeting, Mr. Wakeley indicated that Air Force is considering removing the NWRM Shipment Notification requirement from the DTR. The requirement may still remain in an Air Force Instruction (AFI).

Awaiting summary of the comments from DTR Administrator; this item was held in abeyance pending receipt of summary.

### Applicability of Air Force Instructions at Joint Bases

At the October meeting, Mr. Perry asked how the new Air Force policy applied to joint bases where, for example, a Navy entity may reside at an Air Force activity/installation. Mr. Gore took an action item to obtain the answer off-line from Air Staff points of contact and report back to Mr. Perry prior to the next teleconference.

Mr. Varone reported that outreach to Air Staff had been done and that response is still pending. This item will be held in abeyance until the next call.

## OLD BUSINESS

Mr. Will led discussion on DM #1003. After withdrawing DM #1003 (add Security Risk Category to 856A) as agreed at the 10 Feb teleconference, at issue is has anything been done in regards to gathering the additional data requirements that need to be added into the 856A so a new DM including all can be generated?

Concerns were raised by the workgroup members that until the release of DTR205.14 it would be difficult to fully identify the potential list of changes necessary to the transaction. DTR changes are still being vetted within the AA&E committee to determine data requirements. Additionally there has been significant discussion regarding requirements that outline the reporting requirements for REPSHIP and the identification of specific transaction formats from the different services. The key issue is should the DTR specify transaction formats or should this be more generic in stating that information should be exchanged in an 'electronic format'. The services have requested an extension in order to review the proposed changes to paragraph ( L ); no timeframe was specified regarding this extension period.

Due to time constraints and lack of resolution on this issue USTRANSCOM will continue to coordinate discussion on this issue.

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## NEW BUSINESS

Mr. Will advised that Air Force Data Services request for Nodal Status (315N) transactions in XML to help them on the Nuclear Weapons Related Materiel Positive Inventory Control program. Development of the XML scheme is underway and delivery is expected by mid month.

## WRAP-UP/SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

The call adjourned at approximately 1408 CST. The next REPSHIP WG meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 31 March 2011 from 1300–1400 CST. An agenda including dial in coordinates will be provided prior to the meeting.