

DEFENSE TRANSPORTATION ELECTRONIC BUSINESS (DTEB) COMMITTEE

REPSHIP Working Group Meeting Minutes

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INTRODUCTION

Stakeholders¹ 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.

DSS Representatives indicated that they are currently coded to the specifications outlined in the IC. Headquarters DLA has issued the SCR to provide individual Due-In instances to each consignee of multi-consignee highest level shipment units. Ms Anna Gensler representing HQ DLA reported that though the SRC has been written and submitted for coding; it has not been assigned to a release at this time and anticipate the functionality could not be included before the 12.2 release scheduled for implementation in January 2013. Mr Dennis Kochert updated the group on DSS consideration of using the due-in and nodal status capabilities for increased ITV of non-REPSHIP shipments. DLA does take in all 856 messages and does generate 856A '42's for all CCP receipts, 'ZZ's for all shipments to a port, whether consolidations or not, and the '14' for shipments to a CCP and

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CMOS. However, there is a requirement in the pipeline to generate the '14' for other shipments. So, at this time DSS does not generate a '14' for all shipments.

Neither CMOS nor Air Staff personnel were on the call to report on CMOS status.

GTN/IGC reported that testing efforts have started. A code freeze was initiated 01-Mar-11 and source code has been loaded in the test environment. Testing of the 315N with DLA Transaction Services (DLA-TS) both send and receive has been completed and verified. Regression testing is scheduled for week of 04-Apr-11. Current anticipated implementation date for production environment is 14-Jun-11 with IGC integration of all due in and nodal status messages.

DLA-TS reported no issues with the implementation of REPSHIP at this time.

GFM reported no change; there continue to be issues integrating with the Controlled Item Inventory Codes (CIIC) system. 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. John Will indicated that Gary Conklin, USTRANSCOM J5/J4-PT, recently said that the informal coordination of the issue was going slowly because of differing strong opinions of several stakeholders.

Continuing concerns were raised by the workgroup members regarding the delays in the release of DTR Figure 205.14. DTR changes are still being vetted within the AA&E committee. There has been significant discussion regarding verbiage that outlines the reporting requirements for REPSHIP and the identification of specific transaction formats from the different services. Initially responses were due by 18 February 2011 however several of the services have requested extensions as there has been continuing discussion regarding the proposed verbiage; no timeframe was specified regarding this extension period. Issues primarily relate to should the DTR define "how" data related to a REPSHIP shipment be reported or only "what" data should be reported.

The work group discussed what action could be taken to expedite the data maintenance process so that IC's could be updated in support of the data requirements written into the DTR. If possible the workgroup would like to get an advanced list of the data requirements that will be written into DTR Figure 205.14 so that a DM item could be submitted to update the IC's. Mr Will agreed to follow up with Mr. Conklin to see if an update on just the data reporting requirements could be provided in advance of the official DTR release.

ACTION ITEM REVIEW

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 repeated and that response is still pending. This item will be held in abeyance until the next call.

OLD BUSINESS

AFDS Request for Nodal Status XML Transaction

Mr. Will advised that Air Force Data Services (AFDS) has requested a Nodal Status (315N) transaction in XML to help them on the Nuclear Weapons Related Materiel Positive Inventory Control program. Development of the XML schema and the map between the X12 EDI and the XML has been completed taking maximum advantage of the Distribution Enterprise Standard Templates and copies have been delivered to DLA-TS for mapping their translator, and to AFDS for mapping their parser.

NEW BUSINESS

Ms Julie Kampman brought up an issue regarding CMOS desire to receive specific Due-In information that is currently being received by EDCL. For EDCL to pass Due-In transactions to CMOS EDCL would pass DTEB/DED0 XML to DLA-TS, DLA-TS would translate the XML to DTEB EDI, and then the EDI to CMOS UDF. DLA-TS believes they can utilize their translator using the maps previously provided by USTRANSCOM and CMOS, though this mapping will be the opposite direction from which the transaction translations currently flow. However, DLA-TS is not sure they have a firm go-ahead from CMOS which would have to pay any costs of remapping if issues occur. Should issues arise with the mapping process USTRANSCOM can support mapping efforts from XML to EDI however support for mapping to/from UDF would have to be supported by CMOS.

WRAP-UP/SCHEDULE NEXT MEETING

The call adjourned at approximately 1325 hours CST. The next REPSHIP WG meeting is scheduled for Thursday, 28-Apr-11 from 1300–1400 CST. An agenda including dial in coordinates will be provided prior to the meeting.