



Part of the Richmond team, left to right: Zack Martin, Steve Thein, Jerri Taylor, and George Owen.

brought their best efforts and ideas to the task while simultaneously functioning as a well-honed team. They had one focus—planning for a competitive Agency Tender and creating an MEO built on sensible organization alignment, best industry practices, and efficient use of resources to ensure a successful operation.

Though separated both organizationally and geographically (half of the team was in New Cumberland, Pa., the other half in Richmond, Va.), the team maintained outstanding communications and a distinct vision through data gathering, analysis and strategizing and continuing through document completion and the closing of the solicitation, Yost said.

Team members outside the DDRV organization became intimately familiar with DDRV's unique operational processes, understood the problems of the past, and adopted a can-do attitude in forging the path of a successful future operation.

The team worked tirelessly, forsaking in many instances time planned for family over the holidays, to ensure their mission was met, Yost said. "This team proved themselves to be consummate experts in their field and the ultimate in dedicated professionalism," Yost said.

While there was a core of individuals assigned to the team, their work would not have been possible without the support of every DDRV employee and the entire DDC Acquisition staff.

Team members included Michael Torner, Robyn Snyder, and Tracey Zimmerman, all from DDC Acquisition Directorate; Gwen Hoover, DDC Counsel; Lisa Stiely, DDC Logistics Operations; Kerry Weaver and Rose Anderson, DLA Human Resources Operations Center-New Cumberland; Doug Burwell, Robert Thien, George Owen, and Jerri Taylor, DDRV; and Joseph Wilck and Zack Martin, DLA Office of Operations Research and Analysis.

DDMA's Garrison nominated as DLA Company Grade Officer of the Quarter

Defense Distribution Mapping Activity's Navy Lt. Blaine Garrison was nominated a DLA Company Grade Officer of the Quarter, first quarter, fiscal year 2007.

"Lt. Garrison has excelled as the Officer in Charge of the Map Support Office Norfolk," said Navy Cmdr. John Pearson, DDMA commander. "Lt. Garrison ensures the daily mission is met by providing customer support, training, and outreach, and warehouse operations are conducted in accordance with policy."

Garrison has met the challenge of monitoring and coordinating a major facility renovation while planning for a relocation, Pearson said.

He has invigorated the MSO-Norfolk staff with a sense of purpose and direction, Pearson said.

Garrison quickly assessed the retail operation and worked with Defense Distribution Center, DDMA staff, and host activities to physically relocate DDMA's most active retail operation to a renovated facility due to the impending demolition of the current facility.

He reviewed and improved internal processes for handling deliveries of classified material when the map support office was a supplementary address, Pearson said. Garrison's efforts have resulted in local process changes to enable increased control and accountability and have led to the discovery and correction of a problem in the Distribution Standard System, or DSS, DDC's warehouse and transportation management system, that precludes identification of arms, ammunition and classified shipments to customers.

Garrison's attention to detail and persistence have resulted in DDC's exploration of the feasibility of installing optical fiber in place of copper wire to greatly enhance the speed of DDMA's web-based management system and benefit the collocated National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, too.



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