

DDC Awards Contract of Operations at DDJF

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On March 30, 2005, the Defense Distribution Center (DDC) awarded a contract for distribution operations at the Defense Distribution Depot Jacksonville, FL, (DDJF) to EG&G Technical Services, Inc. of Gaithersburg, MD.

Under the contract which went into affect April 1, 2005, EG&G will perform distribution functions including the receipt, store, and issue of highly-consumable items used by our nation's military.

Key customers of DDJF include Naval Aviation Repair Activity, Naval Air Station Jacksonville, FL; Defense Reutilization and Marketing Office (DRMO), Naval Air Station Supply Department, Naval Air Station Jacksonville; Naval Station Supply Department, Mayport, FL; and South East Regional Maintenance Center, Naval Station Mayport, FL.

The contract has a two-year base period plus three one-year option periods, with a maximum value of \$38 million.

Commenting on the contract win, Randall A. Wotring, President of the EG&G Division, said, "We are very pleased by this important win for our EG&G division, which underscores our partnership with the Defense Logistics Agency to support the material needs of the United States military."

CDR Jim Smart, SC, USN, DDJF Commander, said, "DDJF looks forward to our partnership with EG&G. They are an impressive company with a successful track record of operating two other DLA depots. Together, we are committed to providing our customers with best-value services."

EG&G was selected under a best value analysis and evaluated in the areas of technical, past performance, price and subcontract/socio-economic programs. EG&G is also currently operating at two of DDC's distribution facilities in Hill, UT and Barstow, CA.

DPMS Granted Approval to Implement Next Phase

By Anna Gensler, DPMS Program Office and Jessica Walter, DDC Command Affairs

In May, DLA's Program Executive Officer (PEO), Dave Falvey, approved the Defense Distribution Center's (DDC) request to enter the next phase of development for the Distribution Planning and Management System (DPMS).

DPMS, a modern enterprise distribution system, allows transportation personnel to optimally manage the movement of products from vendors and distribution centers to customers, resulting in greater transportation coordination, increased visibility of assets and strategic placement of stock.

"DPMS involves a combination of commercial software and government software—specifically, Manugistics and our own Distribution Standard System respectively," explained DPMS Program Manager Lois Gabela.

With this increment of DPMS, DDC gains the capability to model and optimize shipments at the distribution center level. This optimization capability is added to the already completed increment that optimizes vendor to customer shipments.

"The modeling analysis and optimization capabilities of this increment of DPMS allow us the flexibility to analyze yesterday's business in addition to enhancing the planning and optimization capabilities for today's business," added Gabela.

DPMS Online Vendor Resource Gains Momentum 600 vendors now using DSS-Vendor Module

By Jessica Walter, DDC Command Affairs

Defense Distribution Center (DDC) Logistics Operations staff recently held a celebration to mark the 600th vendor using Distribution Standard System-Vendor Module (DSS-VM).

DSS-VM, a component of the Distribution Planning and Management System (DPMS), is an online system that allows vendors shipping cargo to DDC sites to access shipping addresses and print military shipping labels at their locations.

"The benefit to the vendor is that they see fewer shipments returned because of improper labeling. The benefit to DDC and to the Warfighter is that we are able to process the receipt of cargo at a quicker rate and get it to the customer faster," said Alan Hoffman, DDC's DSS-VM Roll-Out Team Lead.

DSS-VM got off to a bit of a slow start when it went live in September 2002. In the first two years, only about 200 vendors were taking advantage of the resources provided by DSS-VM. "Since the end of 2004, the program has gained momentum, and the number of vendors using the system has tripled," said Hoffman.

Hoffman and his team hope to have at least 75 percent of DLA vendor first destination shipments processed using the system by September 2006. This would represent about 102,000 shipments per month processed through DSS-VM. "As more vendors learn about the benefits of the system, we get closer to our goal. Right now, we're more than halfway there."

DDC Logistics Operations Transportation Division celebrates 600 vendors using DSS-VM.



Left to right: *Transportation Division Chief Pat Kuntz, DSS-VM Roll-Out Team Lead Alan Hoffman, Logistics Operations Deputy Director Janet Cravener.*