



**Cost Management Steering Group (CMSG)
Meeting Summary and Actions**
18 November 2014, Pentagon, G8 Conference Room (3E387)

Principal Attendees (In Person): HON Speer (FM&C), Mr. Mullins (ALT), Mr. Miller (USACE), Mr. Bechtel (G3/5/7), Mr. Austin (OCAR), Mr. Barth (CE), Ms. Kolesar (G8), Mr. Cramer (IE&E), Mr. Hagler (G4), Mr. Smith (OBT), MG McCaffrey (USARPAC), Mr. Anvari (CE), Mr. Angers (M&RA), Ms. Avery (ACSIM), Mr. Matthews (G6), Mr. Perry (AAA)

(VTC): Mr. Scully (TRADOC), Mr. Turzak (AMC), Mr. McGhee (FORSCOM), Mr. Carter (ATEC), BG Hubbard (IMCOM), Ms. Parker (2nd Army), Mr. O'Neil (MEDCOM), Mr. Staley (USAREUR)

Meeting Summary:

The inaugural CMSG began with a brief message from the ASA (FM&C) on the importance of identifying, prioritizing, and capturing relevant cost data for decision making. The ASA (FM&C) further emphasized the need for the Army to leverage Army ERPs and "Big Data" methods in order to solve Army enterprise cost initiatives. After the opening remarks, the CMSG discussed the agenda topics. The CMSG charter was reviewed and approved with minor adjustment; members agreed not to staff a Form 5. Members reviewed an outline of the future Army CM Implementation Plan. Discussions on the subject of CM highlighted existing CM process successes at USACE, FORSCOM, and AMC. The Chair explained that in order to progress CM maturity, recognizing Cost Managed Organizations (CMO) is essential in order inculcate best practices and highlight higher levels of organizational maturity.

Actions:

- Charter Changes (Lead, DASA-CE)
 - Update the purpose section to link to current OSD initiatives
 - Expand principle members to include ARNG, USARC, and G-1
 - Prepare and submit the updated charter for Sec Army approval
- Cost Management Implementation Plan Outline and First Draft (Lead, DASA-CE)
 - CMSG Member AOs will work to refine the current outline
 - Final Draft will be completed 2 weeks prior to the next CMSG meeting
- Army Single Labor Time Tracking (ASLTT) (Lead, DASA-CE)
 - DASA-CE and OBT will hold Ad-hoc working group meetings with CMSG member AOs to document Army command requirements for the ASLTT business case analysis requirement. Meetings will begin in December
 - DASA-CE will work with AOs to establish representation on working group
 - DASA-CE, OBT, and ASA(ALT) will work together to determine process steps to achieve desired ASLTT capabilities (i.e. new or existing system)
- Command Cost Model (CCM) Document Schedule (Lead, DASA-CE)
 - DASA-CE will publish the schedule for completing initial CCM documents for Army commands
- Cost Managed Organizations (Lead, DASA-CE)
 - DASA-CE will provide a draft concept of Cost Managed Organizations to CMSG members

Way Ahead:

The next quarterly CMSG meeting will take place on 25 Feb 2015 (T). Members are encouraged to provide topics and/or presentation requests to DASA-CE in advance of the next meeting.