

### Transitioning to CMMI<sup>SM</sup>: Another Fork in the Road on our Unending Journey

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# **Topics of Discussion**



### Who We Are

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#### Summary



Who We Are







# **Process Improvement Background (1)**



### **Software Engineering**

Individual software organizations assessed at various levels of the Software Capability Maturity Model (CMM<sup>®</sup>)

- Avionics Management Directorate Level 3 (March 1995)
- Electronic Warfare Directorate Level 2 (May 1996)
- F-15 Directorate Level 2 (December 1996)

Software organizations consolidated into Software Engineering Division in April 1997

Infrastructure established to support process improvement

Software Engineering Division was assessed at SW-CMM<sup>®</sup> Level 3 in April 2000



# **Process Improvement Background (2)**



### Acquisition

Special Operations Forces (SOF) System Program Office assessed in June 1997 using Software Acquisition CMM<sup>®</sup>

Infrastructure established to support process improvement

Implemented the Acquisition and Sustainment Process Improvement/Re-engineering Effort (ASPIRE)

Established common processes encompassing hardware and software



# WR-ALC CMMI<sup>SM</sup> Involvement



Air Force Representative to draft CMMI<sup>™</sup> Reviewer Team

- Air Force Member on CMMI<sup>SM</sup> Configuration Control Board
- Participated in Alpha Testing of CMMI<sup>SM</sup> Training at OO-ALC

Participated in OO-ALC pilot appraisal

Participated in two WR-ALC pilots – Phase I and Phase II

Authorized Standard CMMI<sup>SM</sup> Appraisal Method for Process Improvement (SCAMPI<sup>SM</sup>) Lead Appraiser by SEI

Authorized CMMI<sup>SM</sup> Instructor by SEI



# **CMMI<sup>SM</sup> Appraisals**



Phase I Pilot (Enterprise – Wide)

- Conducted 12-30 June 2000 across 4 Directorates (LF, LN, LU, LY)
- Utilized draft CMMI-SE/SW/IPPD V0.9, Continuous Representation

Phase II Pilot (SOF SPO/LU)

- Conducted 2-13 April 2001
- Utilized CMMI-SE/SW/IPPD/A V1.02d, Continuous Representation

CMMI<sup>SM</sup> Quick Look (F-15 SPO/LF)

- Conducted 23-26 October 2001
- Utilized CMMI-SE/SW/IPPD V1.02d, Continuous Representation







Provide feedback to the CMMI<sup>™</sup> Product Development Team on:

- appropriateness of CMMI<sup>sm</sup> model
- appropriateness of SCAMPI<sup>™</sup> method

Provide findings to understand strengths & improvement opportunities relative to CMMI<sup>™</sup>

Provide data to make business decision to support new CMMI<sup>SM</sup> model



# Lessons Learned from Pilot Appraisals



Appropriately scope the appraisals

- 1<sup>st</sup> pilot 24 process areas; 148 hours in 10 days
- 2<sup>nd</sup> pilot 17 process areas; 129 hours in 10 days

Business objectives play a bigger role in CMMI<sup>™</sup> than in SW-CMM<sup>®</sup>

Upfront decisions need to be made concerning process areas that are fully or partially contracted or accomplished by another organization

- Bring in contractor as part of appraisal
- Handle through Supplier Agreement Management
- Document alternative practice
- Consider the process area or practices out of scope

CMMI<sup>sm</sup> needs to be tailored for maintenance organizations



# CMMI<sup>™</sup> Implementation at WR-ALC



Weapon system programs are evaluating CMMI<sup>SM</sup>

- Apply continuous representation
- Obtain capability level rating for specific process areas

Software providers are transitioning to CMMI<sup>sm</sup>

- Apply staged representation
- Obtain maturity level rating





MAS **Software Engineering** Division (632) SEPG MASW QMG Resource Financial Management Admin SCC **Branch** MASN MAST MASA MASF **Electronic Warfare EW/Support Equip Avionics TPS F-15 OFP OFP Software** Software TPS **Software Branch Software Branch Branch** Branch MASS MASB MASK **Special Operations JSTARS OFP Avionics OFP Forces OFP Software Branch Software Branch Software Branch** 

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# CMMI<sup>™</sup> Transition Approach (1) MAS

Revise strategic plan

- Re-evaluate mission, vision, and goals
- Identify quantifiable measures

Focus on lessons learned and recommendations from previous process improvement efforts

- Assessment findings
- Process improvement recommendations

Restructure process improvement teams

- Establish Branch Process POCs
- Spread the wealth get more people involved

# CMMI<sup>™</sup> Transition Approach (2) MAS

Restructure documentation

- Simplify documentation
- Use more checklists, templates, and examples

Begin with process architecture used for SW-CMM<sup>R</sup> Level 3

- Streamline processes
- Map practices to CMMI<sup>SM</sup>
- Identify holes
- Fill gaps
- Determine tailoring requirements





#### 1 - Proposal for New Workload Phase - 1.2 Perform Preliminary Planning

 

 Purpose:
 To determine the organization's ability to accomplish the technical requirements and make estimates necessary to develop work products.

 Controls:
 MAS Guidance, Customer Guidance, Legal Issues

Customer Requests Technical Project Documentation Historical Data Initial Requirements	<ul> <li>Entry Criteria</li> <li>Management Decision to Pursue the Project</li> <li>Initial Requirements</li> </ul>	<b>Tasks</b> <ul> <li>Investigate Technical Requirements</li> <li>Review Historical Data</li> <li>Identify: <ul> <li>Staffing Requirements</li> <li>Facility Requirements</li> <li>Training Requirements</li> </ul> </li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Exit Criteria</li> <li>Proposal has been Peer Reviewed (See PR.0)</li> <li>Proposal Approved by</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Proposal</li> <li>Feasibility Report</li> <li>Top Level Estimates</li> </ul> Outputs
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Measures: Time, Effort, Defects, Rework

Participants: Software Engineering Group, (SEG), Customer/User, Business Office, Management, Affected Groups

Tailoring: (T) Domain/Project will define format for proposal if not specified by the customer



# OSSP Architecture Example (2) SW-CMM<sup>R</sup> to CMMI<sup>SM</sup>



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## OSSP Architecture Example (3) CMMI<sup>SM</sup>



#### 1 - Proposal for New Workload Phase - 1.2 Perform Preliminary Planning

**Purpose:** To determine the organization's ability to accomplish the technical requirements and make estimates necessary to develop work products.

Controls: SPI-1002 Organizational Software Policy, Project Guidance, Customer Guidance, Legal Issues

	Entry Criteria	• Investigate technical requirements		Exit Criteria	
<ul> <li>Customer Needs</li> <li>Technical Project Documentation</li> <li>Historical Data</li> <li>Initial Requirements</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Management has decided to pursue the project</li> <li>Initial requirements have been documented and agreed to stakeholders</li> <li>Initial requirements have been placed under configuration control</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>(RM SP 1.1) (RD SP</li> <li>Review historical data (PP SP 1.2)</li> <li>Identify and document: <ul> <li>Staffing requirements (PI</li> <li>Facility requirements</li> <li>Training requirements</li> <li>Software tools (F</li> <li>Hardware requirements</li> <li>Risk sources and categories</li> <li>Assumptions for estimates (Apr 01 A Findings PP1, PP2, ISM1, ISM2)</li> </ul> </li> <li>Define responsibility</li> <li>Document top level estimates</li> <li>Conduct feasibility study &amp; provide r management (PP SP 1.2, SP</li></ul>	1.1, 1.2, 3.3) (PP SP 1.2) , 1.4, 2.1) (IPM SP 1.2) P SP 1.4, 2.1, 2.4, 2.5, 3.2) (PP SP 1.4, 2.1, 2.4) (PP SP 1.4, 2.1, 2.3, 2.4) (PP SP 1.4, 2.1, 2.3, 2.4) (PP SP 1.4, 2.1, 2.3, 2.4) (RskM SP 1.1) Assessment (PP SP 1.2, 1.4, 2.1) (PP SP 1.2, 1.4, 2.1) (PP SP 1.2, 1.4, 2.1) (PP SP 1.2, 1.4, 2.1) eport to kM SP 1.1) (RD SP 3.4) .4, SP 2.1, SP 2.2, SP 3.2) (RM SP1.2) (PP SP 3.3) imates (See SCM.2)	<ul> <li>Feasibility report has been reviewed</li> <li>Proposal has been approved by management and submitted to the customer</li> <li>Proposal and top level estimates are managed and controlled</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Proposal</li> <li>Feasibility Report</li> <li>Top Level Estimates</li> <li>Assumptions</li> </ul> Outputs

Measures: None

Participants: <u>SEG</u>, Management, Stakeholders

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# CMMI<sup>™</sup> Cross Reference Example



Level 2		CMMI PA: Project Planning			
MAS OSSP Reqmt	CMMI Feature	Description	Feasible?	Performed?	Documented? (If so, identify location
	PP SG 1	Estimates of project planning parameters are established and maintained.			
1.1, 2.2, 2.3, IC.1	PP SP 1.1	Establish a top-level work breakdown structure (WBS) to estimate the scope of the project.			
1.2, 2.2, 2.3, 3.1, IC.1	PP SP 1.2	Establish and maintain estimates of the attributes of the work products and tasks.			
2.2	PP SP 1.3	Define the project life-cycle phases upon which to scope the planning effort.			
1.2, 2.2, 2.3, IC.1	PP SP 1.4	Estimate the project effort and cost for the work products and tasks based on estimation rationale.			
	PP SG 2	A project plan is established and maintained as the basis for managing the project.			
1.2, 2.2, 2.3, PC.1, IC.1	PP SP 2.1	Establish and maintain the project's budget and schedule.			
1.2, 2.2, 2.3, IC.1	PP SP 2.2	Identify and analyze project risks.			

## CMMI<sup>SM</sup> Transition Approach (3) MAS

Identify projects to begin transition

Provide CMMI<sup>sm</sup> training to projects

Have projects complete the CMMI<sup>sm</sup> cross reference matrix

Perform internal assessments and audits

- Verify implementation
- Identify areas of improvement



# Lessons Learned During Transition Period



Maintenance organizations need to appropriately tailor the CMMI<sup>sm</sup>

Workforce involvement is critical

Quantifiable business goals are a necessity

Robust measurement program needs to be in place early

- Clearly define measures
- Establish automated methods for collecting data

Practical (not theoretical) approach to Level 4 is essential

Process improvement takes time







### WR-ALC has been involved with CMMI<sup>sm</sup> since 1999

Pilot initiatives have been beneficial

Software Engineering Division is transitioning to CMMI<sup>SM</sup>

Other WR-ALC organizations are currently evaluating CMMI<sup>sm</sup>