# PROJECT MANAGER MANEUVER AMMUNITION SYSTEMS

Direct Fire Ammunition Lessons Learned: "More Than Just Impacts on Bullets"



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## **Take Aways**



 Strategic Ammunition Environment: Dramatic Increase In Demand for Direct Fire Ammunition

- Lessons Learned / Impacts Include More Than Just Bullets.....
  - Production Facilities
  - Products
  - Life Cycle Management

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## **Agenda**



- Mission
- Scope
- Strategic Ammunition Environment
- Ammunition Areas and Lessons Learned
- Summary



#### **PM-MAS Mission**



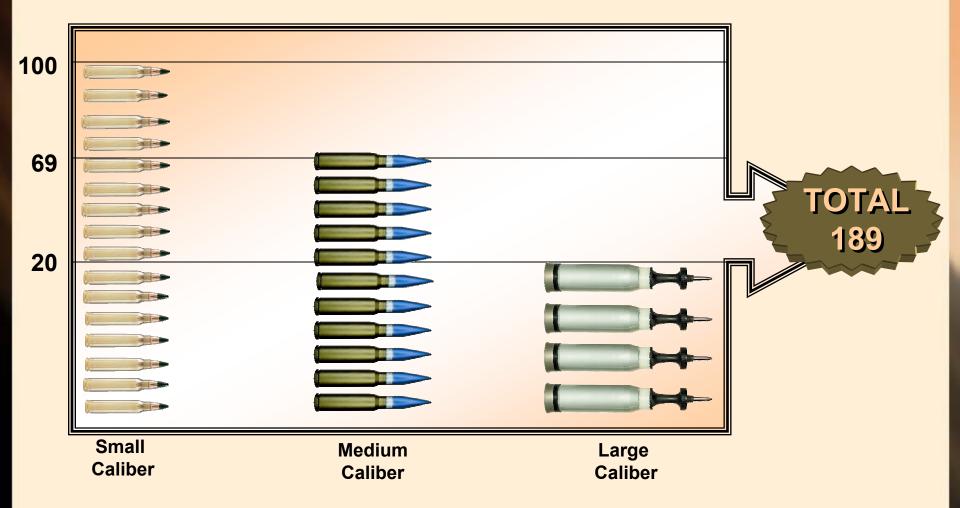
PM MAS Provides Direct Fire Combat And Training Ammunition Capabilities To Warfighters (Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines) And Government Agencies To Support Dismounted Soldiers, Combat Vehicles, Helicopters, Naval Vessels, And High Performance Aircraft. The PM Does This Through Life Cycle Program Management Of Ammunition In The Following Categories:

Small Caliber
Medium Caliber
Large Caliber
Smart Munitions



#### **Ammunition Products**







## PM MAS FY05 Production Quantities Projection



Small Caliber (1710M)	5.56MM	1,271M
	7.62MM	273M
	.50 Cal	80M
	9MM	75M
	MISCELLANEOUS	11M
Medium Caliber (21.5M)	20MM	4M
	25MM	1M
	30MM	5.5M
	40MM	11M
Large Caliber (233K)	105MM	.02M
	120MM TRAINING	.2M
	120MM TACTICAL	.013M

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#### Strategic Ammunition Environment



#### Pre-FY2001:

- Relatively Low Production of Ammunition
- Ammunition Stocks Drawn Down



- Dramatic Increase in Demand/Requirements for Direct Fire Ammunition
- Requirements Drivers:
  - Training
    - Greater Emphasis on Live Fire Training
    - Mobilization Impacts
    - More Personnel Being Trained to Higher Standards
  - Operations
    - Support and Forward Positioning of Ammunition
    - Changes in Tactics Causing Changes in Requirements

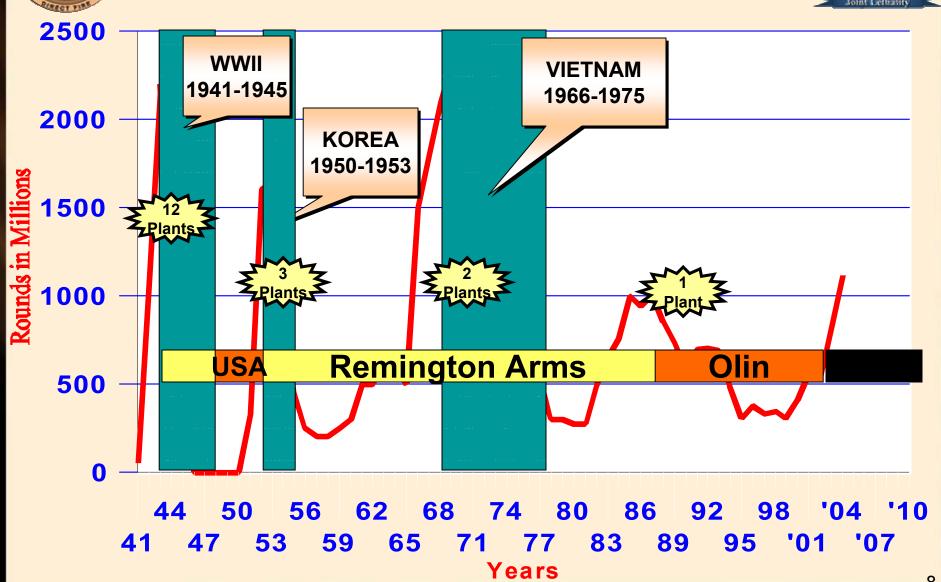






#### Strategic Ammunition Environment Lake City Production History







#### **Ammunition Areas**



## **Strategic Ammunition Environment**

Products

Production Facilities

Life Cycle Management



IMPACT

ISSUE

LESSONS LEARNED?

**Lessons Learned in All Three Areas:** "Impacts to More Than Just Bullets"



#### **Production Facilities**



## **Strategic Ammunition Environment**

**CHANGE** 

**Dramatic Production Ramp Up / Start Up** 

**IMPACT** 

**Designs (TDP), Process, Personnel, Equipment**(Anything But Steady State!)

**ISSUE** 

**Initial Quality/Delivery Issues** 



- Must Focus on Process/Personnel as Much as Machinery!
  - Review/Rehearse the Process Repeatedly
  - Stabilize Critical Machine Operators Early
  - Over Plan and Over Execute Training and Process Analyses!
  - Increased Surveillance, Checks of Operations

Must Have a Robust Change Management Strategy!



#### **Production Facilities**



## **Strategic Ammunition Environment**



**Dramatic Production Ramp Up / Start Up (Small Caliber Specific)** 



**Primarily Only the Organic Plant (Lake City) was Supplying Rounds** 



**Not Enough Rounds from Organic Plant When Needed** 



- Outsourcing to Commercial Sector in Large Quantities
   To Augment the Organic Base is Viable and Works
  - Used Urgent Buys to Provide Needed Rounds
  - Commercial Base is Capable
  - Mitigates Risk Through Geographic Separation and Use of Other Vendors

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#### **Production Facilities**



## **Strategic Ammunition Environment**

**CHANGE** 

**Dramatic Production Ramp Up / Start Up (Small Caliber Specific)** 

IMPACT

**Continuous Production at Organic Facility (Lake City)** 

**ISSUE** 

**Equipment is Very Old; Being Used Around the Clock** 



- Modernization Funding is Critical to Production Readiness
  - Equipment Failure is a Real Risk; Can Not Afford Production Stoppages
  - Must Fund Needed Modernization of Facility
  - Working Issue Aggressively With Pentagon Now

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#### **Products**



## **Strategic Ammunition Environment**



**Lower Demand for KE Tank Rounds/Higher Demand for Multi-Purpose** 



KE Rounds Being Sent to the Rear, Multi-Purpose Rounds Forward



FY2000 - Last Time the Army Produced Multi-Purpose, Other Capabilities?



- Operators Must Have Flexibility to Quickly Mission
   Organize Ammunition
- Need for Capabilities Other Than KE M1028 Anti-Personnel Round
- Highlights Need for Common, Multi-Purpose Round
  - Less Specialty Rounds
  - Easier to Manage Operations and Logistics



#### **Products**



## Strategic Ammunition Environment

CHANGE

**Increased Armed Convoy Operations** 

IMPACT

Increase in .50 Caliber (Armor Piercing and Armor Piercing Incendiary) and 7.62MM Requirements

**ISSUE** 

Low Stocks, Low Production Rates, Oldest Manufacturing Equipment



- Must Stockpile Ammunition ("Iron Mountain"), Especially With These Rounds
- Need More Vendors With Capability to Produce .50
   Caliber Armor Piercing/Incendiary
- Must Modernize Equipment at Organic Facility (Oldest in Plant)
- Limited Trace and Explosive War Head Capability in Commercial Sector



## Life Cycle Management



## **Strategic Ammunition Environment**

CHANGE

**War Time Operations** 

**IMPACT** 

**Large Demand and Inventory in Theater** 

**ISSUE** 

Asset Visibility; No Totally Integrated Receipt,
Accounting, and Tracking System for Ammunition



- Must Develop Integrated Accounting and Visibility System for Ammunition
  - Need to Minimize Paper Records and Exploit Advances in Supply Tracking Technology
  - Must be Designed for Both War Time and Peace Time Use
- Requirements Must Have Prognostics Capability
- War Reserve Stockpile Commitment



#### **Ammunition Areas**

"Lessons Learned / Impacts to More Than Just Bullets"



## **Strategic Ammunition Environment**

Products

Production Facilities

Life Cycle
Management

CHANGE

IMPACT

ISSUE

LESSONS LEARNED?

What Happens Next? Will Lessons be Learned?



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