

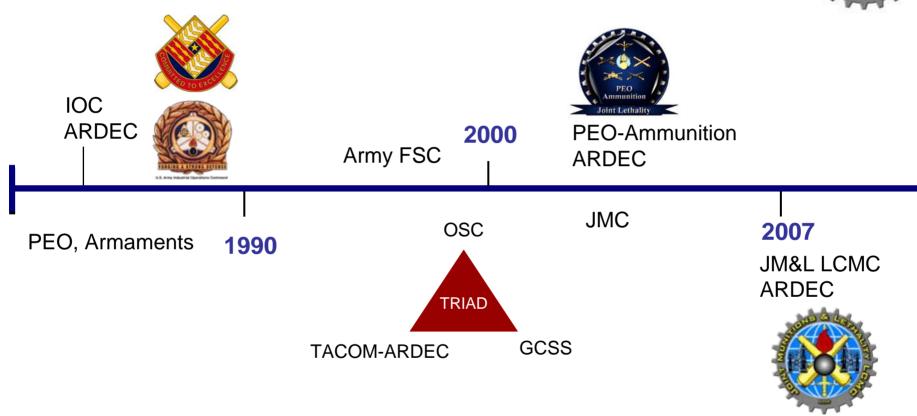
# Industry Perspective on the Joint Munitions and Lethality Life Cycle Management Command

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# Historical Underpinnings





Change Has Been Constant

## First Impressions



- Right solution finally!
- Common voice for ammunition issues
- Increased visibility standing

Cohesive consolidation of responsibilities

The new JM&L LCMC checks a lot of boxes

Addresses critical issues that have historically plagued the US munitions enterprise

#### What We Know



 The JM&L LCMC is designed to address the entire life cycle management of munitions



Integrates primary functional responsibilities



Logistics, Acquisition, R&D





Provides holistic approach to future defense readiness



Balances individual authorities and interests



#### What We Think We Know



More prominent and effective SMCA role

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Critical mass to execute long-term strategies

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No "Sea Change" in organizational responsibilities

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Improved communications with industry

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More wherewithal to drive jointness

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Consistent priorities



## Way Forward



#### Industry is hopeful of continuing down this path of success ...

- Operational continuity
  - Timing
  - Transitions / hand-off of responsibilities
- Continued partnering / dialogue with industry
- Defense of ammunition budgets
- Fostering of USG-Industry trade organizations
- Alignment of existing / new priorities
- Industrial base focus & strategies

## **Ongoing Challenges**



# How can industry work with the JM&L LCMC to confront the future challenges that face our munitions enterprise?

- What role will industry play in framing future JM&L strategies aimed at:
  - Ensuring a "soft landing"
  - Optimizing Industrial Readiness
- Future viability of the commercial supplier base
  - Prevailing market conditions in a draw-down environment ?
- Consistent acquisition strategies and practices
  - Balanced protection mechanisms (commodity fluctuations, un-defined reqmts)
  - Industrial base impacts ingrained into acquisition strategies
- Fielding timelines
  - Affordable and timely fielding of precision munitions

## Summary



- Industry overwhelmingly supports and embraces new JM&L LCMC
- Significant expectations
- Positive change is envisioned
- Partnership between Industry and the JM&L LCMC is an imperative

The US Ammunition Enterprise has undergone continual evolution since the 1980s – the new JM&L LCMC is the right answer . . .

What can industry do to assist in the success of the JM&L LCMC?