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# Civilian Agency Industry Working Group:

## Progress Through Partnership

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Management Systems Committee

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# Agenda

- Recap of the Last Presentation: Why we are reviving the Civilian Agency Industry Working Group (CAIWG); Purpose, Goals, Process and Request for Help
- Progress since the Last Meeting
- Next Steps and Next Meeting
- Q&A

# Why We are Reviving the Civilian Agency Industry Working Group (CAIWG)

- Government: Agencies are all under intense pressure to produce within budget and cost and must show that they are good stewards of the Federal dollar
- Industry: This is a win-win or lose-lose: Good government is good business and those contractors that can help their agencies succeed at project management will share in the increased dollars that are allocated; and vice versa!
- All of Us: Our country's fiscal crisis is real and real change to increase productivity is our responsibility.

# Purpose, Goals, Process and a Request for Help

- Purpose: Promote best practices, sharing and common efforts that demonstrate real (measurable) value to the Civilian Agencies and Industry
- Goals: Pick concrete proposals and ideas, implement them and measure the value, and promote them widely
- Process: Reach out widely to all segments of project management, acquisition, and best practice community, share information and socialize results
- How can you help: Join us; submit ideas and suggestions, offer to pilot; assist in publicizing efforts, socialize our results. We see this as a low effort, high return project.

# Progress since the Last Meeting

1. Status on suggested concrete ideas
  - i. Recognize each others EVMS certifications and perhaps other certifications: Team under Buddy Everage working this.
  - ii. Share best practices, dashboards, metrics, policies and procedures: Working with Senior Executives on OMB Best Practices Committee and have some Senior Industry Commitment
  - iii. Share commercial best practices (Peer Reviews, Program Start-Up Reviews, Program Independent Assessments). Work toward common standards and practices: Working this with same group as above. Researching FACA implications with NDIA counsel.
  - iv. Encourage risk-based audits and other high value audit functions: No Progress to date.

# Progress since the Last Meeting

2. We have identified senior managers who can advocate for best practices within their agencies in about ½ of major civilian agencies.
3. We have received offers of support from several “think tanks” and senior consultants with influence.
4. We have some support from senior executives in Industry.

## Next Steps and Next Meeting

- This week: Request that folks indicate interest in joining or suggest others who might want to join
- Provide feedback on ideas proposed, on new ideas, etc.
- June-July: We will identify key officials in government and industry who can evaluate and support best practices sharing
- We will review results and ideas at the next meeting and work with members to plan the way forward