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Agile Transformation of a Defense Business System (DBS)

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AGENDA

- Karthik Consulting (KC) Corporate Overview
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CORPORATE HIGHLIGHTS

- Founded in 2008, Karthik Consulting (KC) is a SBA certified 8(a) Small Disadvantaged Business (SDB). Valid in the 8(a) program until 12/10/2018
- ISO 9001:2008 and CMMI-DEV Level 2 certified
- Top Secret Facility Clearance
- DCAA approved accounting system
- Experience performing on several types of concurrent prime IDIQ task orders and contracts (CPFF, FFP, and T&M)
- Capabilities in multiple technologies, platforms, architecture, and programming languages
- Excellent Customer Satisfaction (from CPARs and Open Ratings)
- CAGE/DUNS: 56GH3/828199880
- Small Business NAICS Codes
 - 541511 – Custom Computer Programming Services
 - 541330 – Engineering Services
 - 541690 – Other Scientific & Technical Consulting Services





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CAPABILITIES

- Program and Project Management
- Agile Software Development/Legacy application migration
- Independent Verification and Validation (IV&V)
- CIO Support – Business Case Analysis (BCA), Return on Investment (ROI), Total Cost of Ownership (TCO) studies, Project Management Office (PMO)
- Cyber Security – FedRAMP, Certification & Accreditation (C&A) Audits, FISMA/NIST Compliance, PIV/CAC/ECA PKI implementation
- IT Operations and Maintenance (O&M)
- SETA Support





CUSTOMER

US Navy - Office of Naval Research (ONR)

- ONR acquisition department performs post-award administration of Contracts and Grants (Awards) issued to universities and nonprofit organizations.
- The business functions performed include:
 - Contract and Payment administration
 - Monitoring expenditures
 - Award closeout
 - Tracking intellectual property, sub-contracting goals, and physical property (GFP)
 - Purchasing system reviews and negotiation of indirect cost rate agreements
 - Quality assurance and monitoring performance of Awards
- Performs these functions for other DoD components and agencies such as:
 - Air Force Office of Scientific Research (AFOSR)
 - Army Research Office (ARO)/Army Research Lab (ARL)
 - Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA)
 - National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA)



CHALLENGES

As the post-award administration Center of Excellence (CoE) within the federal government, ONR is responsible for the administration of:

- 25,000+ active Awards and Awards in closeout
- 5 million+ Acquisition documents (200+ document types)
- 75,000+ invoices a year submitted by 1000+ Performers
- **Improve access to Award documents**
 - Easy access to relevant acquisition documents to be able to approve invoices and close-out the Awards within the terms of the Service Level Agreement (SLA)
- **Eliminate manual invoice entries**
 - Thousands of invoices were being submitted by the Performers that needed to be reconciled against the contractual requirements and funding lines prior to being approved
- **Eliminate stove-piped applications**
 - Several stand-alone applications were developed over time to support the post-award management functions (document management, tracking invoices/payments, reporting)
- **Technology Obsolescence**
 - The stove-pipe applications were built on different technologies, architecture, and languages, were expensive to maintain, and were nearing their technology shelf-life



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APPROACH

- Developed a 5-year strategic application and architecture modernization roadmap to consolidate the legacy applications into an integrated product suite:

Contract Administration Management Information System (CAMIS)

- Migrated the applications from obsolete technologies into a new common architecture and platform that is easy to support and maintain
- Introduced Agile concepts and transitioned to our *Enterprise Disciplined Agile™* (EDA) Software Development Life Cycle (SDLC) methodology
- Implemented new interfaces to DoD systems to increase productivity, efficiency, security, and improve quality





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SOLUTION

KC built integrated system for Contract and Grant Management





RESULTS

AGILE TRANSFORMATION

- **Transition to Agile methodology**
 - Help adopt and transition ONR to Agile software development. Implement our CMMI-DEV level 2 rated and industry standards based SDLC methodology
 - Released 1 major, 4 minor and 22 maintenance releases of CAMIS in a 24 month period delivering software that was deployed on the DoD network, on average every 23 days
- **Integrated application suite**
 - Aligning with the strategic roadmap consolidate/eliminate legacy applications built on technologies such as Oracle Forms, APEX, and VB/ASP into a common framework.
 - Create an integrated web based product suite (CAMIS 2.0) built on Microsoft .NET framework, C# programming language, and Oracle database.
- **Direct XML interface to WAWF**
 - Implemented an XML based interface to WAWF allowing direct processing of various invoice types (Cost, Grant, and NPI vouchers) and actions (submit, void, and approve)
 - Invoices processed within minutes with automatic business rules and data validation checks, eliminating data entry errors and providing accurate financial reconciliation



RESULTS (CONT'D)

- **EDI interface to Navy ERP Financial System**

- Implemented an EDI based interface to Navy ERP allowing processing within minutes of various financial and contract actions including new Awards and modifications

- **Integrated document in-take process**

- The Electronic Document Access system is the official DoD central repository of acquisition documents.
- Integrated the legacy software that downloads thousands of documents into the CAMIS suite with enhanced metrics, tracking capabilities and additional meta-data.

- **Secure and accredited system**

- The consolidated and integrated CAMIS suite resulted in being classified as a Defense Business System (DBS).
- Implemented security best practices, developed SOPs, software documentation, Enterprise Architecture artifacts, system security plan, and applied DISA STIGs.
- Obtained two consecutive full 3-year Authority-to-Operate (ATO) on the DoD network.
- Successfully underwent the Federal Information Security Controls Audit Manual (FISCAM) audit, triggered by the DBS designation.
- Delivered over 20,000 pages in documentation for software API, data model/dictionary, Enterprise Architecture artifacts, and Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs)





TRANSFORMATION HIGHLIGHTS

SIGNIFICANT ACCOMPLISHMENTS

- Modernized legacy systems now fully compliant with DoD security regulations
- Upgraded from Oracle10g->11g->12c; Windows 2003->2008->2012
- Developed and deployed software at ~23 days/release with no rollbacks
- Implemented source code control with full traceability of changes in each release
- Managed up to three concurrent releases of software development (major, minor, and maintenance) with full source code integrity and traceability
- Zero instance of system outage due to software issues
- Implemented EDI and XML based interfaces to Navy ERP, WAWF, and Electronic Document Access systems
- Implemented Common Access Card (CAC)/Public Key Infrastructure (PKI) and External Certification Authority (ECA) based authentication
- Obtained two consecutive ATOs
- Implemented Business Intelligence (BI) dashboards

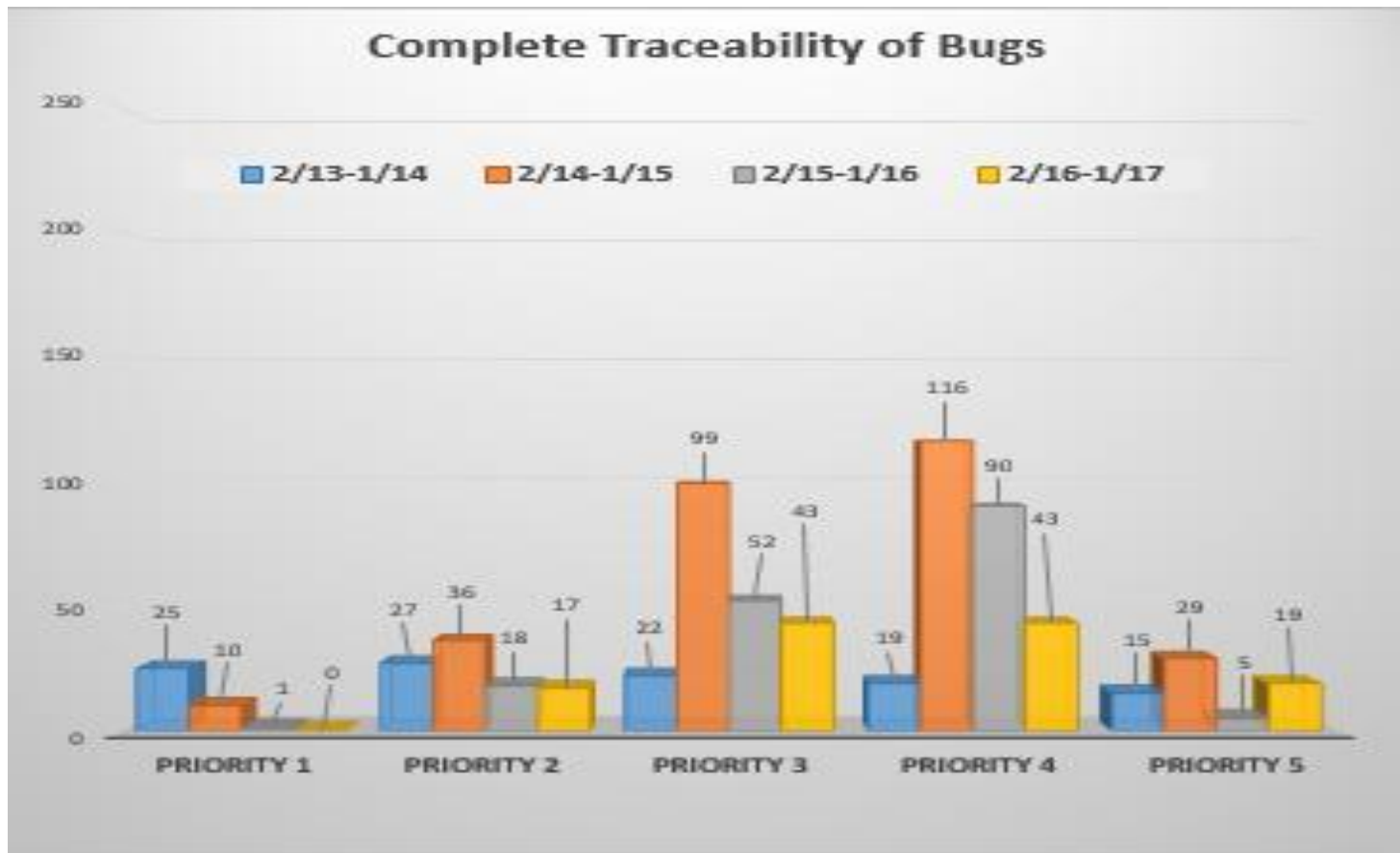




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RELEASE METRICS

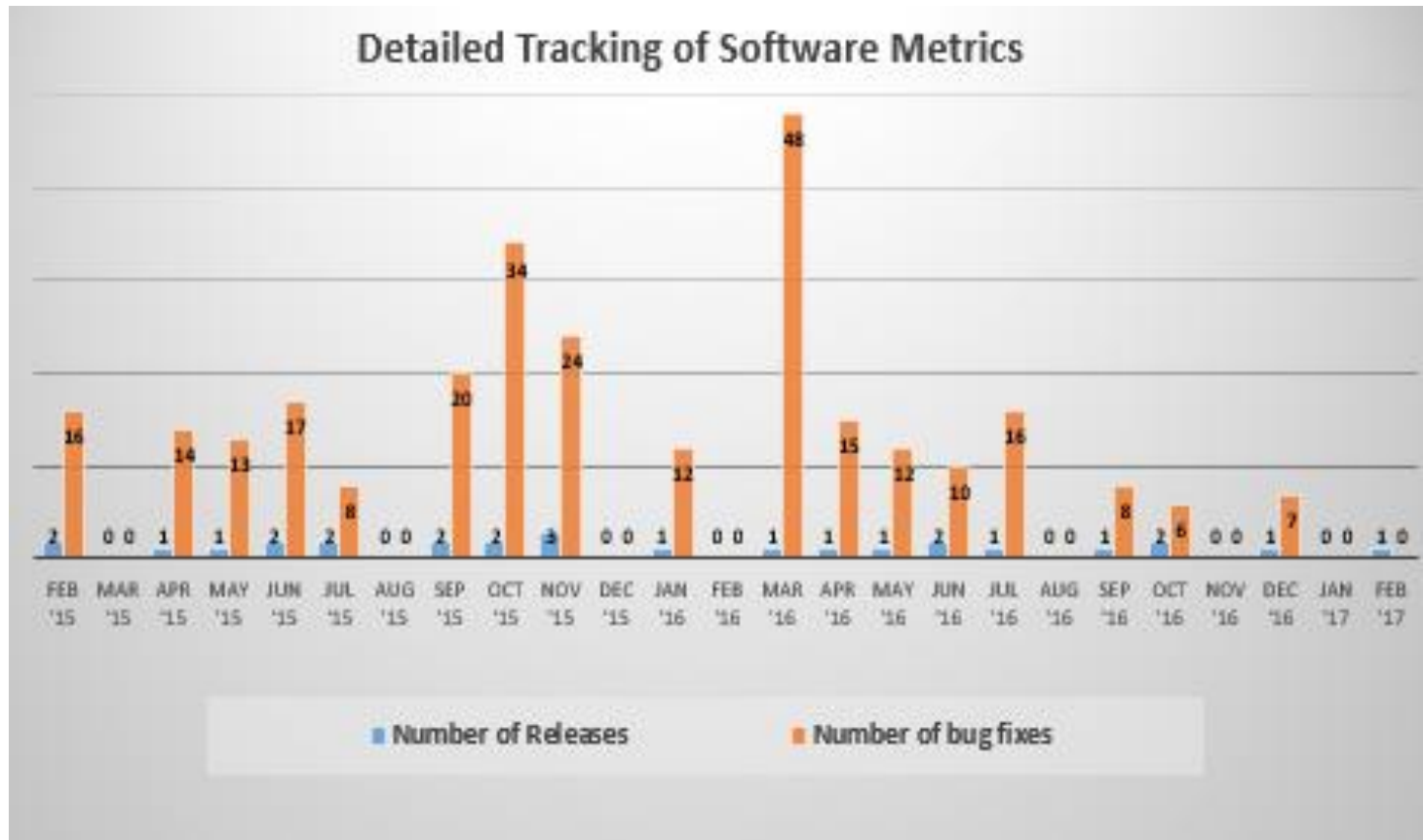




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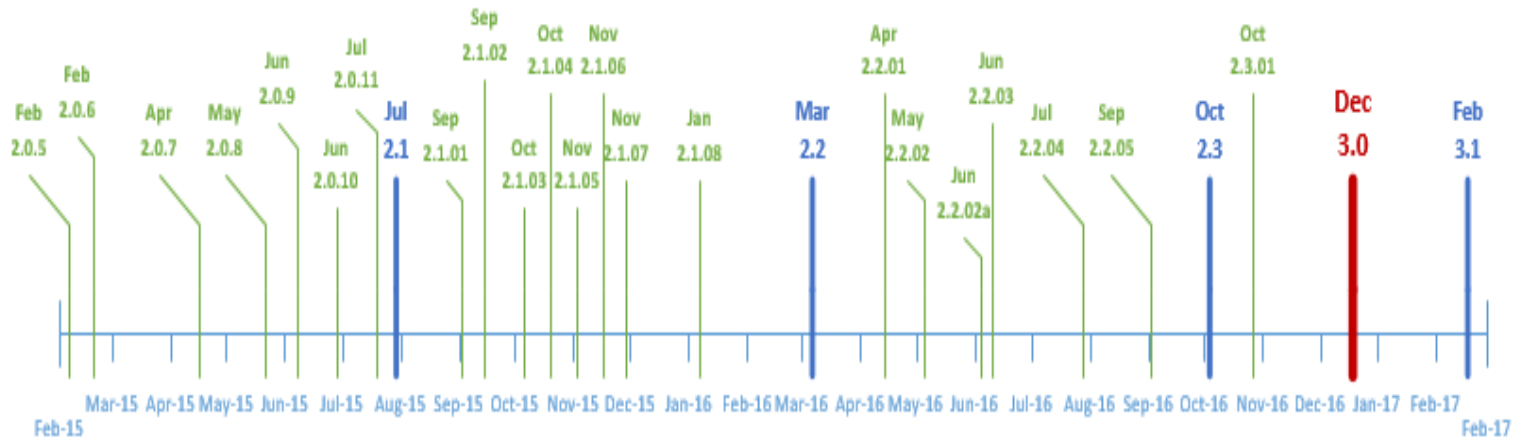




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RELEASE METRICS (CONT'D)

Software Development with Multiple Concurrent Releases





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