FRONT-END ANALYSIS: CORNERSTONE OF LOGISTICS

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OVERVIEW

• WHAT IS ‘FRONT-END LOGISTICS SUPPORT ANALYSIS’?
• WHEN SHOULD IT BE PERFORMED?
• WHAT ARE THE BENEFITS OF PERFORMING FELSA AND WHY SHOULD IT BE DONE?
• HOW IS FELSA CONDUCTED?
• EXAMPLES
FRONT-END LOGISTICS SUPPORT ANALYSIS

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2 DEFINITIONS OF LSA:

- LSA is an iterative analytical process by which the logistic support necessary for a new system is identified and evaluated. (Blanchard)

- LSA is the selective application of scientific and engineering efforts undertaken during the acquisition process, as part of the system engineering and design process, to assist in complying with supportability and other ILS objectives. (Jones)

- Front-End LSA

- Logistics Support Analysis Record (LSAR)
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LSA GOALS AND OBJECTIVES

1. CAUSE LOGISTICS SUPPORT CONSIDERATIONS TO INFLUENCE DESIGN

2. IDENTIFY SUPPORT PROBLEMS & COST DRIVERS EARLY

3. IDENTIFY LOGISTIC SUPPORT RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS FOR SYSTEM LIFE

4. DEVELOP A SINGLE LOGISTICS SUPPORT DATABASE
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HOW THESE GOALS AND OBJECTIVES ARE ATTAINED

1. INFLUENCE DESIGN
   - IDENTIFY THE QUANTITATIVE CHARACTERISTICS
     - DEFINE PERTINENT QUANTITATIVE OPERATIONAL PARAMETERS
     - ESTIMATE THE SYSTEM/EQUIPMENT LIFE CYCLE COST (LCC)
   
   - OPTIMIZE THE SYSTEM/EQUIPMENT OPERATION AND SUPPORT (O&S) COST
     - EVALUATE ALTERNATIVE OPERATIONAL, MAINTENANCE, AND SUPPORT CONCEPTS (SIMPLIFY WHERE POSSIBLE)
     - PROVIDE QUANTITATIVE MODELING SUPPORT FOR DESIGN TRADE-OFFS
     - CONDUCT FORCE STRUCTURE/MANPOWER IMPACT ANALYSIS
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1. **INFLUENCE DESIGN (CONT.)**
   - OPTIMIZE THE SYSTEM/EQUIPMENT O&S COST
     - IDENTIFY & DOCUMENT THE OPTIMUM SYSTEM SUPPORT CONCEPT
     - ESTABLISH THE SYSTEM, SUBSYSTEM & ASSEMBLY MAINT. CONCEPT
       - MAINTENANCE SIGNIFICANT ITEMS LIST
       - LEVELS OF MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR VS DISCARD POLICY
       - DIAGNOSTIC CONCEPT (TESTABILITY REQUIREMENTS)

2. **IDENTIFY SUPPORT PROBLEMS AND COST DRIVERS EARLY**
   - DETERMINE SUPPORTABILITY, COST AND READINESS DRIVERS
   - CONDUCT SUPPORTABILITY RISK ASSESSMENT (SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS)
   - IDENTIFY LOGISTIC SUPPORT RESOURCE CONSTRAINTS
   - DETERMINE AVAILABILITY OF EXISTING SUPPORT RESOURCES
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3. **IDENTIFY LOGISTIC SUPPORT RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS FOR SYSTEM LIFE**

- ESTIMATE THE MANPOWER & PERSONNEL REQUIREMENTS
- DEFINE TRAINING REQUIREMENTS
- DEFINE TRANSPORTABILITY REQUIREMENTS
- DEFINE FACILITY REQUIREMENTS
- IDENTIFY AND DOCUMENT NEW OR CRITICAL LOGISTICS SUPPORT RESOURCES
  - PECULIAR TOOLS AND SUPPORT/TEST EQUIPMENT
  - TEST, MEASUREMENT, AND DIAGNOSTIC EQUIPMENT
  - COMMON TOOLS AND TEST EQUIPMENT
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FROM

Design the System

Design the Support

Combine System and Support

SEQUENTIAL ENGINEERING

TO

Design the System

Design the Support

{analysis}
{redesign}
{update}

Integrated System and Support

CONCURRENT ENGINEERING
(INTEGRATED)
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System Life Cycle

Years

Decision Affecting Cost

$
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FRONT-END LSA IN SUPPORT OF
ACQUISITION MILESTONES AND PHASES

DETERMINATION OF MISSION NEED

PHASE 0
CONCEPT EXPLORATION AND DEFINITION

MILESTONE 0
CONCEPT STUDIES APPROVAL

PHASE I
DEMONSTRATION AND VALIDATION

MILESTONE I
CONCEPT DEMONSTRATION APPROVAL

PHASE II
ENGINEERING AND MANUFACTURING DEVELOPMENT

MILESTONE II
DEVELOPMENT APPROVAL

PHASE III
PRODUCTION APPROVAL

MILESTONE III
MAJOR MODIFICATION APPROVAL

PHASE IV
OPERATIONS AND SUPPORT PHASE V

MILESTONE IV
MAJOR MODIFICATION APPROVAL

PDR/CDR

FRONT-END LSA
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HOW FRONT-END LSA IS PERFORMED

• FRONT-END ACTIVITIES AND PRODUCTS
  - PARTICIPATE IN USE STUDY
  - FORM BASELINE COMPARISON SYSTEM (BCS)
  - DATA GATHERING
  - ASSIST IN FORMING THE MAINTENANCE CONCEPT
  - EVALUATE ALTERNATIVES
  - CONDUCT REPAIR LEVEL ANALYSIS
  - PERFORM SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS
  - TRADE STUDIES/COMPARATIVE ANALYSIS
  - ESTIMATE MANPOWER & FORCE STRUCTURE IMPACTS
  - ESTIMATE LCC AND O&S COSTS
  - IDENTIFICATION OF COST AND SUPPORT DRIVERS
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REMEMBER,
THIS IS AN

ITERATIVE

PROCESS!

– MOST/MANY OF THESE ACTIVITIES AND PRODUCTS MUST BE REPEATED OR UPDATED AS THE DESIGN MATURES AND DATA IMPROVES

• THE BETTER THE DATA, THE BETTER THE ESTIMATES
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EXAMPLE

SUPPORTABILITY, COST, & READINESS DRIVERS

RELIABILITY DRIVERS:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>LINE REPLACEABLE UNIT</th>
<th>FAIL/OP LIFE</th>
<th>%/SYSTEM FAILURES</th>
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<td>POWER SUPPLY</td>
<td>651</td>
<td>17.02%</td>
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<td>RELAY CARD ASSEMBLY</td>
<td>616</td>
<td>16.66%</td>
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<td>DC/DC CONVERTER</td>
<td>369</td>
<td>9.83%</td>
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COST DRIVERS:

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<tr>
<th>LRU</th>
<th>UNIT COST</th>
<th>COST/OP LIFE</th>
<th>%/SYSTEM COST</th>
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<tr>
<td>PROCESSOR ASSY</td>
<td>$32,150</td>
<td>$17,182,000</td>
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<td>POWER SUPPLY</td>
<td>$3,680</td>
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<td>AFT MODULE</td>
<td>$7,265</td>
<td>$9,235,000</td>
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EXAMPLE: SUPPORTABILITY TRADE-OFF

Alternative Maintenance Concepts (System Level):

1. Two-Level: Organizational: Remove/replace LRUs at failure
   Depot: Repair LRUs

2. Three-Level: Org: R/R LRUs
   Intermediate: Screen LRUs/Discard selected failed LRUs
   Depot: Repair selected LRUs

3. Contractor Repair: Org: R/R LRUs
   Contractor: Repair LRUs
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EXAMPLE: ALTERNATIVE MAINTENANCE CONCEPTS OPERATIONS & SUPPORT COST SUMMARY (SYSTEM LEVEL)

1. TWO-LEVEL = $18,783,800

2. THREE-LEVEL = $22,326,100

3. CONTRACTOR REPAIR = $35,155,600
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EXAMPLE: LEVEL OF REPAIR ANALYSIS (LORA)

COST SUMMARY ($,000)

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<tr>
<th>LRU</th>
<th>CONTRACTOR REPAIR</th>
<th>DEPOT REPAIR</th>
<th>DISCARD</th>
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<td>1,895</td>
<td>1,950</td>
<td>2,015</td>
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EXAMPLE:

SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS

UNIT COST SENSITIVITY

INVESTMENT COSTS OPER & SUP COST

LIFE CYCLE COST, $ MILLIONS

BASELINE .90 .80
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EXAMPLE:

SENSITIVITY ANALYSIS

![Diagram showing sensitivity analysis with LCC in $ millions vs. % change in variables (MTBF, AOH, UNIT COST)]
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SUMMARY
- MUST BEGIN "UP FRONT"
- MAKES OTHER LOGISTICS ACTIVITIES MORE WORTHWHILE
- AN ITERATIVE PROCESS
- VERY DYNAMIC AND ALLOWS FOR CREATIVITY
- ANSWERS MANY QUESTIONS:
  • WHICH DESIGN IS MORE SUPPORTABLE?
  • HOW WILL THIS IMPACT MY MANPOWER/FORCE STRUC?
  • FORECAST SPARING QUANTITIES AND LOCATIONS
  • ESTIMATE OF LCC AND O&S COSTS
  • IS THE REPAIR CONCEPT SENSITIVE TO ____ (VARIABLE)?
  • WHAT ARE MY COST AND SUPPORTABILITY DRIVERS?
- TRULY A "VALUE-ADDED" FUNCTION