

## **Acoustics Technical Working Group History**

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## **Early Years**



- Established in 1992 to plan and execute the Advanced Subsonic Technology (AST) Noise Reduction Program.
- Vision of Dave Stephens (Langley) and John Groeneweg (Lewis), implemented under the leadership of Bill Willshire.
- Initial meetings held every 2-3 months with about 10 people.
- Attendance grew as program started in 1994. A Steering Committee (SC) was added to provide industry feedback to NASA senior management.
- TWG meetings lasted 2 days, SC meeting held after TWG.
- Presentations were made by government and industry representatives with active tasks supporting the program.
- Attendance was restricted to U.S. organizations, nondisclosure agreements used to control data dissemination.
- University representatives were added when the Quiet Aircraft Technology (QAT) project started in 2000.



## Advanced Subsonic Technology Noise Reduction

### INDUSTRY COORDINATION GROUPS

### **Steering Committee**

Allison......Bettner Boeing.....Craig DFW.....Robertson/Linn Delta.....Bautz Douglas.....Haight/Joshi Gulf. Aero..Hilton GE.....Gliebe N.O.I.S.E....Price (Retired) P&W......Wagner Ex-Officio: NASA....Hood FAA.....Erickson

1995

## **Technical Working Group**

#### **Industry**

NASA

FAA

Allied Signal...WeirLockheed...ReddyGroenewegSkaleckyAllison......DaltonP&W.......MathewsSchmitzBoeing......CuthbertsonRohr......YuStephensDouglas.....JoshiSikorsky.....YoerkieWillshireGE......GliebeSikorsky.....YoerkieSillshire



### QAT Technical Working Group

#### Quiet Aircraft Technology

AAAE.....Morris\* Allison.....Dalton\* ALPA.....Davis\* ATA.....Young\* Boeing.....Craig\*/Reed Cessna.....Hayward Delta.....Brown\* DFW.....Lancaster\* GE.....Gliebe\* Goodrich....Yu\* GTRI....Ahuja Gulf. Aero....Hilton\* HMMH.....Miller Honeywell....Weir\* L&Brown....Woosley

Need to expand to represent new sectors

Lockheed.....Kuntz\* Messier-Dowty...Dong MIT.....Clark/Waitz N.O.I.S.E.....McGrann\* Northrop.....Parente\*/Schien O'Hare.....Brogan\* P&W.....Lord\*/Morin Raytheon.....Hund Sikorsky.....Millott United......Kastenhuber\* Univ.Ms.....Seiner Vought......Russell Williams.....Bloss Wyle.....Sharp

#### Ex-Officio:

NASA...Tenney FAA.....Burleson/Maurice

\*Ad Hoc Steering Committee

NASA Bangert Gibbs Golub Grady Huff Law Marcolini Powell Shepherd Silcox Singer Whitfield <u>FAA</u> Skalecky

2005





## **Acoustics Technical Working Group**

**ATA Engineering** Aurora Flight Sciences AVEC Inc. **Bell-Textron** Boeing Combustion Research and Flow Technology, Inc. **DFW** International Airport Dept. of the Navy – NAVAIR Exa FAA GE General Atomics Aeronautical Systems, Inc. **GRAS** Sound & Vibration Gulfstream Hexcel HMMH, Inc. Honeywell Huntington Ingalls Industries Joby Aviation Josephson Engineering

NEAT Consulting National Institute of Aerospace Naval Research Laboratory Northrop Grumman Omega Squared Design, Inc. Optinav, Inc. Optinav, Inc. Practical Systems & Technology Rolls-Royce SMD Corporation Techsburg, Inc. Uber United Technologies Volpe NASA Ames NASA Glenn NASA Langley

Embry Riddle Florida State Old Dominion TU Delft Virginia Tech Wichita State

# Workshops



- In addition to semi-annual meetings, special workshops were held for engine and airframe noise research.
- Similar to AIAA meetings (parallel sessions over 2 days).
- Opportunity for researchers to present major progress over ~2-3 years in specific areas like fan/jet noise prediction, liners, fan/jet noise reduction, core noise, airframe noise prediction/reduction, and propulsion/airframe aeroacoustics (PAA).
- Proceedings disseminated in bounded volumes and CD's to TWG members.

# **Typical Agenda**



- Introductions by NASA project team providing information on budget, milestones, and other news.
- Feature presentations from TWG members on hot topics like regulation, airport procedures, implementation issues, etc..
- Project technical leads present highlight level progress reports and specific significant accomplishments since previous meeting.
- Steering Committee report.
- Dinner!
- Locations alternated between NASA and industry host. Tours were given of government labs, industry facilities and airports.

## **Success Stories**



- Consolidated research across TWG saved time, money and promoted efficient technology transfer:
  - Swept/leaned stators for fan noise reduction
  - Chevron nozzles for jet noise reduction
  - Continuous mold line flaps for airframe noise reduction
  - Noise prediction codes
  - Active noise control
  - Noise source diagnostics experiments
  - New measurement methods (phased arrays)
- Shared data bases and prediction tools ("SDT" tests and blind prediction exercises).
- Cost shared technology maturation demonstrations
  - PW4098, CF-34, TFE731, HTF 7000, QTD2

# **Going Forward**



- The TWG has endured over changes in programs, projects and organizations.
- The Urban Air Mobility (UAM) meeting on Thursday will explore the possibility of utilizing the TWG for yet another important opportunity for noise research.
- New organizations will be involved and roles for government, academia and industry will need to be discussed.
- In preparation for this meeting, please think about how you would like to see NASA provide this coordination role.



## Backup

## **Intellectual Property**



- Technical results and data were shared within the TWG.
- "Sensitive" data (noise reduction concepts) were shared with TWG typically 2 years before public dissemination.
- "Generic" data (validation data bases, noise predictions) were publicly released as soon as reports completed review process.
- Non-proprietary geometry definitions released with non-disclosure agreements.
- Limited Exclusive Rights Data (LERD) was introduced part way through the AST Program and used until the end of the QAT project in 2005. LERD formalized the process for delayed dissemination of data. The noise programs delayed two years and the propulsion programs (AST, UEET) delayed five years.
- Current Acoustics TWG is open to non-U.S. organizations under the Fundamental Aeronautics program. LERD is no longer being used. The only filters being applied to data dissemination are export control laws.