



LOG TECH

eNotes: News and Notes from the Council of Logistics Engineering Professionals

Message from the Chairman

October 2008 "Message from the President"

CLEP has as one of its main purposes to provide educational opportunities to logistics professionals. We accomplish this through a variety of ways, including educational workshops and conferences presented at the regional, national, and international levels. Our Space Coast Section recently conducted a successful workshop at the local level. Further, as you can see in this newsletter, we are cosponsoring a number of educational events with other organizations. Next month we are cosponsoring with the RMS Partnership an exceptional Government-Industry Training Workshop titled "Using System Engineering to Improve RMS&L Requirements". This is being held November 12 & 13, 2008 at the Waterford Conference Center in Springfield, VA. Also on November 14, an 8-hour course covering PBL and Collective System Design will be presented. Go to the RMS Partnership web page for more details, <http://www.rmspartnership.org/>. I solicit your participation in this great event.

Internationally we are cosponsoring two conferences, Defense Maintenance in London, England and Defence Logistics in Rome Italy (see details elsewhere in this newsletter). We are planning a variety of educational conferences and workshops for next year that I'm sure will be of great interest.

We have also just implemented another great educational tool this month. This is a column in our monthly newsletter entitled "Ask the Experts". With the vast depth of knowledge represented by our CLEP panel, I'm confident answers can be provided for even the most technical questions. Feel free to submit a question for a response.

As logistics professionals we are also asked to support the development and review of new standards and documents that enhance the education of logisticians. For example a number of CLEP members have been instrumental in the development and review of the new GEIA-STD-0007, Logistics Product Data. We have also been asked to review, comment on, and provide voting recommendations on 56/1289/CDV, Guidance on Communication Network Dependability Engineering. You will receive an email shortly regarding this.

The mission of CLEP is to "mentor, educate, share knowledge and ideas and to advance the profession of logistics engineering." The above opportunities serve this mission. We will be expanding our capabilities in these areas in the future including additional information on our web page. Please forward any ideas you may have to me at President@LogisticsEngineering.org.

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Are You Signed Up For These Events?



<http://www.logisticsengineers.org/oct2008.htm>

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Logistics related Spotlight Links

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Radisson SAS Hotel Rome, Rome, Italy.

"Using System Engineering to Improve RMS&L Requirements"

A Government-Industry Training Workshop
Waterford Conference Center, Springfield, VA

November 12 & 13, 2008

This is an excellent training opportunity sponsored by CLEP and the RMS Partnership.

[http://www.rmspartnerhip.org/pdfs/Program\(080922\).pdf](http://www.rmspartnerhip.org/pdfs/Program(080922).pdf)

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Do you have something to say or perhaps a question to ask about Logistics Engineering? Your input from our last issue has been heard and our pilot program is being introduced:

ASK THE EXPERTS!

As a part of its mission to provide education and awareness in the area of logistics Engineering principles, CLEP introduces "Ask The Experts!" Our panel of experts is comprised of a network of subject matter experts that are very knowledgeable in a wide variety of logistics areas. Here's how it will work:

1. Each month a question is chosen from the membership and will be included in the eNotes newsletter.
2. The newsletter question will be linked to the CLEP web page with one or more individuals with one or more possible solutions that industry or government is currently using as well as the questions and answers from previous months.
3. To submit questions "[Click here to ask the CLEP panel of experts a question.](#)"

October's question comes from Question from "Confused" in Virginia:

"MIL-STD 1388-1A, Logistic Support Analysis (LSA), and MIL-STD-1388-2B, Logistic Support Analysis Record (LSAR), were eliminated by the U.S. DOD some years ago yet I still see RFPs requesting these standards be used as a guideline. What is the future of LSA and LSAR?"

[Click here to view response\(s\)](#)

Board of Officers Meeting of the Council of Logistics Engineering Professionals

The meeting was held as a telephone conference call on Wednesday, 24 September

Minutes of the previous meetings were approved.

Action Items

- a. Resolved.
- b. Improve payment capability for members.
- c. Annual conference: Coming May 4,5, and 6, 2009. Progressing and proceeding with schedule. Volunteers are encouraged from the district sections.
- d. Replacement of VP Admin actively being pursued.
- e. Review of Logistics Standards: Need to review and summarize activities relative to GEIA-0007.
- f. Resolved.
- g. Contact information using generic email will be researched and reported by next meeting.
- h. Logistics information and reference material was accepted as a possible tools for the general public, additional research is needed for distribution to the general membership or public using web based tools. This option will be researched and reported as progress is made.

Officer Reports

RMS Partnership Representative.

- The CLEP logo has been added to the program for the November conference and workshop and on the RMSP website.
- CLEP is moderating the Navy panel.
- CLEP Representatives will head up a transition team exploratory phase by the end of the year. CLEP will explore possibility of independently submitting their application as a 501c organization.

VP Operations.

- Election year needs to begin for 2009 operational year.
- It was suggested having a formal board meeting at the November conference in Springfield, VA.

VP Administration.

- Open position Board is reviewing options for a candidate.

VP Finance.

- The organization is continuing to operate in the black and continues functioning soundly.

VP Membership.

- Methods to improve member dues and other payments will be managed through the CLEP Website. This will be the primary method as soon as the administrative details are sorted out.
- Membership recommends the organization invests in a CLEP lapel pin.

VP Education.

- Working with VP Programs for the May 2009 conf.
- Working with the Univ. of Alabama, Huntsville for a conference next year.

VP Communications.

- Need a new Newsletter with message from the chairman. A new section will be included which is to post logistics type questions and have knowledgeable members provide expert answers.
- Need to include the board minutes.
- All members are asked to continue to look for new information and articles for future newsletters.

VP Programs.

- Plans proceeding for our first annual conference in early May 2009.
- Location has not solidified, however, we have a firm agenda and speakers.
- Programs are continuing to work with advisors and educational institutions in the area to support future conferences.

Webmaster.

- Payment capability will be operational on the website soon.
- Updates noted during the previous month have been completed.
- Email communication capability to forward emails from the website to the appropriate individual will be set up as soon as forwarding emails are confirmed.
- Both Nov. and May conferences are on website development of online registration the May 2009 conference is under construction.

Status of Sections. No issues reported

New Action Items:

None

Maintenance Tips From Reliabilityweb.com

MRO Definitions and Transactions

Excerpted from MRO Inventory and Purchasing
by Terry Wireman, CPMM
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Service Level vs. Stock Out

At a 90% service level, there is a 10% chance that a part will not be available when required. The costs associated with a stock out include lost production (downtime cost), materials expediting cost, reduced maintenance labor productivity, etc.

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