Lockheed Martin Product Line Achieves CMMI(R) Maturity Level 5

Lockheed Martin's Information Systems & Global Services-Defense product line achieved a Maturity Level 5 rating during its recent appraisal against the Capability Maturity Model(R) Integration (CMMI(R)) for Development.

The CMMI model is a process improvement maturity model for the development of products and services. It consists of best practices that address development and maintenance activities that cover the product lifecycle from conception through delivery and maintenance. The CMMI is managed by the Carnegie Mellon Software Engineering Institute (SEI), which is a federally funded research and development center sponsored by the U.S. Department of Defense.

"We are extremely proud of this accomplishment. It provides an essential quantitative process baseline for IS&GS-Defense," said John Mengucci, president of the Lockheed Martin product line. "As a CMMI for Development Maturity Level 5 organization, we can assure our customers that we will use our world-class processes in the development of our products."

IS&GS-Defense provides a full spectrum of defense services and solutions for the U.S. military and international customers.

The appraisal was conducted for IS&GS-Defense large programs that are primarily development or operations and maintenance with development activities. The processes appraised related to software, systems engineering, hardware, supply chain management, and program management with integrated product teams.

Headquartered in Bethesda, Md., Lockheed Martin is a global security company that employs about 146,000 people worldwide and is principally engaged in the research, design, development, manufacture, integration and sustainment of advanced technology systems, products and services. The corporation reported 2008 sales of $42.7 billion.

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