

Lockheed Martin Awarded Social Security Administration Contract To Enhance Disability Case Processing

Project Will Help Improve Quality, Speed of Processing Disability Claims

BALTIMORE, Jan. 11, 2011 /PRNewswire/ -- Lockheed Martin (NYSE: LMT) has been selected by the Social Security Administration to prime the Disability Case Processing System (DCPS) contract, which is an information technology modernization program committed to improving the quality and speed of processing disability claims nationwide.

An indefinite delivery indefinite quantity contract, the DCPS agreement carries a 1-year base period with five 1-year options. It is valued at \$200 million if all options are exercised during the 6-year contract period.

"This is a vital transformation project for Social Security. Long term, it will help further streamline and automate the disability claims process," said Sonya V. Stewart, vice president of Enterprise Applications Solutions for Lockheed Martin's Information Systems and Global Solutions – Civil product line. "We look forward to delivering innovative solutions and continuing our good and long-standing performance with SSA on this new contract."

Lockheed Martin will lead a team that includes Iron Data Solutions LLC, Atlanta, Ga., a company that supports 47 state IT disability case processing systems and known for its extensive knowledge of the disability domain. Global CI, Baltimore, Md., and MacQuarium Intelligent Communications, Atlanta, also are teammates, bringing expertise in Health IT and user-centered design practices.

The new system will provide cost savings to the SSA by eliminating the need to maintain separate systems for 54 state and federal sites. It also will help the agency process disability claims faster and with higher consistency.

The goal of the DCPS program is to help the SSA transform the processing of disability claims through a highly available, scalable and modern web-based system that will fully integrate with the central electronic disability process and recent advances in health information technologies. Creating a system that enables re-usable services enterprisewide, yet allows for site-specific customization of disability case processing is one of the program's key objectives. Simplifying systems maintenance and reducing the infrastructure costs are other key objectives.

The DCPS contract requires a case processing system solution that will manage approximately 4 million cases annually and be flexible enough to accommodate up to 50,000 staff. Key elements of the new system will include service-oriented architecture principles and methods, and the system also will incorporate services that will be available throughout the enterprise.

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