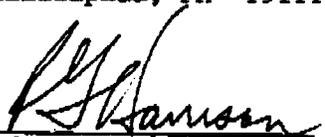


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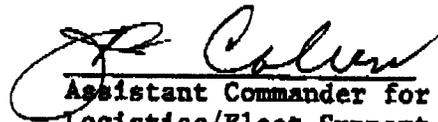
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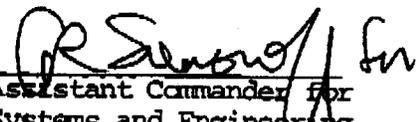
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1. **PURPOSE.** The purpose of this agreement is to formally establish the responsibilities, procedures and interfaces required to transfer the Product Support Responsibility for Reusable Shipping and Storage Containers for Naval repairable components from the Naval Air Systems Command (NAVAIR) to the Aviation Supply Office (ASO).
2. **APPLICABILITY.** This plan applies to the transfer of Program Management (PM), Basic Design Engineering (BDE), Contract Management, and Logistics Management which will be assumed by ASO. This agreement is applicable only to cogs 1R and 6K, class 8145 reusable shipping and storage containers for avionics, airframes, power plants and ground support items. This agreement does not affect technical work assigned, or to be assigned, which falls within the previously established mission of ASO.
3. **BACKGROUND.** The NAVAIR/Naval Supply Systems Command (NAVSUP) Supply Support Agreement established the policy for ASO to act for NAVAIR as the Cognizant Field Activity (CFA) and as the central design and engineering control agent for reusable containers for all "R" cog items. These functions under the technical supervision of NAVAIR were delegated to ASO and have been performed for some time with no formal agreement or manpower support. This is the initial formal agreement of cognizance between ASO and NAVAIR for this function.
4. **RESPONSIBILITIES.** This agreement identifies functions and tasks being performed by NAVAIR and ASO. When conflicts between the program and functional policies and objectives develop that cannot be resolved at the division or group level, the matter will be referred to NAVAIR (AIR-04) for resolution. Actions directed by the designated Program Manager NAVAIR (PMA) will be instituted or continued during the period pending resolution. Execution of program authority at ASO will be accomplished by the manager of the Packaging Programs Management Branch. Program management policy will be provided by AIR-04.

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- a. **LOGISTICS.** ASO Code 0512 will direct and coordinate those functions (design and in-service) related to logistics, maintenance and maintenance engineering.
- (1) **Integrated Logistics Support Planning.** Determine requirements for and develop Integrated Logistics Support (ILS) documentation for recommendation for approval by the Assistant Program Manager, Logistics (APML) for implementation and full integration of Packaging, Handling, Storage and Transportation (PHS&T) with the other logistics elements. Participate as required in the development of ILS planning documentation. Direct logistics actions as required to maintain established levels of support for reusable containers throughout the system life cycle. Act as the Logistics Manager for PHS&T in support of the appropriate APML. Provide input to the APML in support of Logistics Review Group (LRG) audits. Prepare submissions to the APML outlining funding requirements to be included in the Logistics Requirements Funding Plan (LRFP).
- (2) **Maintenance Engineering.** Provide maintenance engineering guidance to Government activities and/or contractors concerned with operation, provisioning, maintenance, overhaul, shipment, handling, and storage of reusable containers. Prepare and/or review and update maintenance, reliability and maintainability requirements for inclusion in planning documents. Maintain technical criteria which will prescribe the scope, depth and frequency of maintenance and inspection to be performed. Maintain liaison with fleet activities concerning the performance of reusable containers. Provide engineering consulting services and support to fleet operating activities pertinent to all levels of the container maintenance function. Review and evaluate Engineering Change Proposals (ECPs) for impact on established maintenance and logistics support requirements. Provide investigations/corrective action pertaining to reusable containers. Continuously review and approve all maintenance and technical documentation to ensure changes in configuration and/or maintenance procedures are

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incorporated. Provide information on reusable container changes to other activities/agencies for inclusion in system documentation. Coordinate reusable container maintenance plans with the APML. Participate in container provisioning conferences. Review Provisioning Parts Lists (PPLs) for accuracy. Prepare Design Change Notices (DCNs) as a result of configuration changes.

- (3) **Logistics Management.** Determine appropriate packaging/containerization requirements for various program systems/subsystems for use during all phases of development and production. Coordinate the development of reusable containers with the schedule for delivery of the hardware. Attend conferences to determine Designated Overhaul Points (DOP) and participate in workload assignments and level of capability for container repair. Ensure that the maintenance, logistics, and modification program is in a state of balance such that maximum readiness and the most efficient use of resources is achieved.
- b. **BASIC DESIGN ENGINEERING.** Carry out the Basic Design Engineering (BDE) function concerning reusable containers. This includes program management, engineering, and contracting officer technical representative (COTR) duties.
- (1) **Program Management.** Within established NAVAIR guidelines, ASO Code 0512 will develop and approve all engineering, technical, and maintenance documentation required for program support, coordinate interservice matters for reusable containers, and provide assistance and program requirements to other services. Negotiate intra- and interservice agreements as required to ensure cooperation and responsive execution of program efforts. Serve as a primary point of contact for direct communication and liaison in obtaining operational requirements, policy guidance and approval of PHS&T plans and programs. Act as a spokesperson for reusable container matters by providing PHS&T information, justifying budget and program requirements, and recommending changes to

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these when required to keep within cost schedule and performance parameters, while ensuring the optimum level of support to the fleet. Review, evaluate, and redirect program efforts (within established NAVAIR guidelines and in accordance with Program Manager requirements) as necessary to ensure optimum support and delivery schedules. Manage the reusable container and PHS&T logistics support program including the development, maintenance, and execution of the container portion of respective systems ILS documents. Provide guidance to functional logistics support organizations for the execution of independent work efforts. Review and initiate action through cognizant LEMs and appropriate activities to ensure adequacy of fleet logistics support posture in satisfying operational requirements.

- (2) **Engineering.** ASO Code 0512 will assist in new systems PHS&T requirements and generate PHS&T performance requirements. Prepare and maintain current specifications and standards to establish design, performance, configuration management, maintainability, and test requirements for reusable containers. Establish and coordinate specifications, standards, and related documentation to promote interservice standardization of reusable container designs. Maintain engineering handbooks, manuals, and engineering design guides. Schedule and conduct appropriate design reviews; e.g., Systems Requirements Review, Preliminary Design Review, and Critical Design Review. Develop solutions and procedures to manage deficiencies which fall into the BDE category. Prepare and distribute interim change directives. Prepare ECPs to implement solutions which require configuration changes. Conduct development programs for packaging/containers which result in fully documented and standardized designs. Procure prototype containers for design, test and evaluation. Conduct design and evaluation tests and provide approval for use in accordance with established NAVAIR procedures. Evaluate and determine qualification status and requirements for qualification. Conduct and monitor qualification tests to verify that engineering designs are capable

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of meeting stated operational parameters and applicable specification requirements. Prepare and submit to NAVAIR for approval the applicable documentation for service use. Establish standard procedures and requirements for qualification, prototype, first article, and production tests and inspections. Perform test and evaluation during design phase to ensure system performance requirements have been satisfied. Qualify a design to assure that it is reproducible, meets all specification requirements and can be maintained to meet the required life cycle.

- (3) **Contracting Officer Technical Representative.** ASO Code 0512 will furnish PCOs with technical information and recommendations relative to award decisions and participate in Contract Award Review Panels. Perform as PCO technical representative on pre-award surveys, post-award conferences, quality system reviews, product oriented survey, etc., and serve as the formally designated COTR. Maintain technical data packages in a condition suitable for use in procurement, incorporating all necessary changes by way of an approved configuration control process. Coordinate investigation of and corrective actions for fleet/field container deficiency reports. Initiate actions as required to maintain adequate quality assurance provisions in new and current specifications. Review and technically approve/disapprove contractor proposed Class II changes affecting container technical data packages for existing or future production contracts. Review and/or conduct, and approve or disapprove, prototype, first article and production lot sample tests. ASO/0512 will utilize source selection contracts and will furnish the PCOs with source selection plans, technical information and recommendations relative to award as well as participate on various source selections. Additionally, ASO Code 0512 will utilize long term cost plus type contracts to satisfy the program requirements and time schedules set forth by the Program Managers. These contracts will include,

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but not be limited to engineering services, technical support and production quantities of reusable containers.

5. **RESOURCE REQUIREMENTS.** Resources required for performance/support of NAVAIR programs will be those of ASO Code 0512. Funding for these resources will occur on a program by program basis and is expected to fluctuate depending on the scope and depth of each program and the number of container designs. The performance of the functions and tasks delineated in this plan will be accomplished with NAVAIR provided reimbursable funds and managed under Manage to Payroll (MTP). Contracting support may be used as required to assure necessary resource levels are available to accomplish the assigned workload. ASO Code 0512 personnel have the requisite background to perform the reusable container support function contained within this agreement. Additional special training and/or equipment required to assume any new/specific functions will be pursued after these requirements are identified.
6. **BUDGETING/FUNDING.** Funding for the execution of the responsibilities assigned to ASO as a result of this agreement will be provided by NAVAIR from the specific Program Manager that requires ASO Code 0512 to perform CFA functions for reusable containers. Funding shall be provided for new container designs and for engineering support of existing designs.

Funding requirements for new container designs (and redesigns of existing containers) shall be identified during early stages of the ILS process on a project-by-project basis. These requirements will be forwarded to the Program Manager for consideration/approval.

For support of existing designs (ECPs, manuals, Quality Deficiency Reports, etc.), ASO Code 0512 shall prepare all budget inputs and financial documents to be included in an annual budget to support the performance of in-service functions. These functions will be described in an annual Product Support Execution Plan detailing workload, NAVAIR sponsor and the required resources expected for CFA duties during the upcoming fiscal year.