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GEIA Releases New Implementation Guide for Data Management

Arlington, VA -- GEIA's Data & Configuration Management Committee (G-33) announces the release of Handbook 859: Implementation Guide for Data Management, a companion handbook to aid in the implementation of the ANSI/GEIA 859 Standard for Data Management. The G-33 Data Management panel has diligently worked this past year to compile the information, suggestions and examples contained in this handbook. It amplifies the informative data, and provides implementation guidelines for a variety of techniques and examples that may be selected for application to programs with context-based solutions to address specific situations and programs. This is an excellent reference document for both experienced and new Configuration Managers and Data Managers and other associated practitioners and is intended to be a user's guide to applying Data Management (DM) in accordance with ANSI/GEIA-859 across multiple sectors utilizing Data Management.

This handbook is intended to assist the user in interpreting and applying the standard and in the planning and implementation of effective DM. The handbook provides a framework for making prudent and cost-effective choices regardless of DM requirements, project or product size and complexity, customer, or business objectives. DM implementation requires the balanced and consistent application or tailoring of the product-appropriate mix of DM functions, principles, and practices throughout the product life cycle. DM as a discipline addresses the Bill of Information – a term and concept introduced in the standard which focuses on stewardship for managing program and product data throughout the life cycle.

The handbook is available from the GEIA On-Line Store at www.geia.org/index.asp?sid=6 under the heading of Completed Projects.

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