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Trusted Computer Solutions Delivers the First TENA Guard for Defense Modeling, Simulation and Training

Today, Trusted Computer Solutions (TCS), a leader in providing cross-domain solutions to government agencies, announced the availability of the industry's first guard solution for the Test and Training Enabling Architecture (TENA) which allows for interoperability, reusability, and composability of geographically distributed military test or logical range resources. The two primary architectures that are supported within the Modeling, Simulation, and Training field are High Level Architecture (HLA) for simulated training exercises and TENA for live training. TCS's SimShield is a guard that allows training exercises to be shared between classified and unclassified enclaves. By now supporting TENA the product has reached a critical milestone in meeting the DoD's need to deploy new testing and training missions that realistically immitate combat scenarios.

The Pacific Alaska Range Complex (PARC) – Air Combat Training System (ACTS) is the program for which TCS integrated the TENA architecture with SimShield. “PARC is the largest instrumented air, ground, and electronic combat training range in the world,” stated Ed Hammersla, chief operating officer for TCS. “TCS was honored to be part of such an extensive and significant program with stakeholders in the Joint Forces Command, U.S. Air Force, and the U.S. Army. SimShield’s support for TENA makes the classified-unclassified network integration of training systems in PARC possible.”

Like all government programs that require Multi-Level Security (MLS) / Cross-domain Solutions (CDS) to securely share classified and unclassified data, ACTS must undergo certification. The program is currently in the Preliminary Testing & Evaluation (PT&E) phase for evaluation at the Secret and Below Interoperability (SABI) level. “Things are progressing well and the goal is to have an Interim Authority to Operate (IATO) by April of 2008 which will enable the connection of the Joint Training and Experimentation Network (JTEN) and ACTS,” commented Hammersla.

In addition to C&A, the DoD and Intelligence communities are looking to the guidelines of the Unified Cross Domain Management Office (UCDMO); part of the Office of the Director of National Intelligence, when implementing cross-domain solutions. The UCDMO manages a list of evaluated and approved products for cross-domain access and transfer, known as the CD Baseline Report. “Although the TENA version of SimShield cannot be added to the list until the SABI certification is complete, the UCDMO has already added it to their R&D Report which is significant positioning for the CD Baseline,” Hammersla stated.

About Trusted Computer Solutions

Founded in 1994, Trusted Computer Solutions (TCS) is an industry leader in cross-domain solutions. The company's SecureOffice® Suite of software products enable government and industry to securely share information, striking the right balance between information protection and information sharing, a vital component to national security. All SecureOffice products adhere to the most stringent security standards set by U. S. Government Agencies such as the Defense Intelligence Agency and the National Security Agency. SecureOffice products run on Red Hat Enterprise Linux 5 and Trusted Solaris, and are installed and accredited in operational systems around the world today protecting our nation's most sensitive digital information. TCS is headquartered in Herndon, Va., with offices in Champaign-Urbana, IL and San Antonio, TX. For more information, visit www.TrustedCS.com.

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