

Environmental Impact Analysis Process

Environmental Assessment for Combat Survivor/Evader Locator System Testing and Deployment

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**FINDING OF NO SIGNIFICANT IMPACT (FONSI)
COMBAT SURVIVOR/EVADER LOCATOR (CSEL) SYSTEM
VARIOUS LOCATIONS**

Pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA), the President's Council of Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations implementing the Act (40 Code of Federal Regulations 1500 - 1508), Department of Defense (DoD) Directive 6050.1, DoD Regulation 5000.2, and Air Force Instruction (AFI) 32-7061, which implements these regulations through the Environmental Impact Analysis Process (EIAP), and other applicable federal and local regulations, NAVSTAR Global Positioning System Joint Program Office, Space and Missile Systems Center, Headquarters Air Force Materiel Command (HQ/AFMC) has conducted an assessment of the potential environmental consequences of the Combat Survivor/Evader Locator System (CSEL). The no action alternative was also considered. This Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI) summarizes the results of the evaluation.

Proposed Action and Alternatives: The Environmental Assessment (EA) for the CSEL Program assessed the potential environmental impacts related to the developmental testing, operational assessment and operational testing, production, deployment, operations, maintenance, and disposal of the CSEL system. The CSEL system is designed to provide global over-the-horizon data communications, line-of-sight voice communications, and precise Global Position System (GPS) positioning capabilities for DoD personnel when they are confronted with survival and/or evasion scenarios in peacetime and conflict situations. The CSEL system is composed of three components: user equipment (a hand-held radio), over-the-horizon relay (existing DoD satellites), and ground systems.

Developmental testing of the CSEL hardware and infrastructure system will be conducted at various existing DoD facilities whose ongoing missions include the testing and analysis of electronic equipment and systems. This includes both laboratory based testing and field testing by DoD and governmental contractor personnel. The operational assessment and operational testing program for the CSEL system includes deployment of DoD personnel at various existing DoD facilities as part of routine or annual training exercises. The majority of the CSEL system will be located at existing DoD facilities that can accommodate the additional mission requirements of the CSEL program without upgrades or expansions. The two new components of the program are the CSEL hand-held radio and the transmitting/receiving antennas that will be installed as part of the UHF satellite communication (SATCOM) base stations at four existing naval computer and telecommunications area master stations.

The no action alternative is no testing, production or deployment of the CSEL system. This would result in DoD continuing to rely on existing standard issue survival radios to assist search and rescue forces to locate downed pilots and other isolated personnel.

Anticipated Environmental Effects: The EA evaluated the potential environmental impacts of the CSEL program. The developmental testing of the CSEL system will occur at existing DoD facilities permitted for these types of activities and is considered part of the baseline environmental condition at the facilities and does not require additional environmental analysis as part of the CSEL program. The operational assessment and operational testing program for the CSEL system will occur as part of the existing mission at various DoD and government contractor facilities permitted for these types of activities, and is considered part of the baseline environmental condition of the facilities and does not require additional environmental analysis as part of the CSEL program.

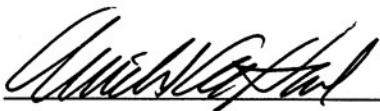
The production of the CSEL hand-held radios and support equipment will not result in any significant environmental impact as the production of the system components will take place at existing contractor facilities designed and permitted for the fabrication of electronic hardware and the various supporting components. The antennas for the UHF SATCOM base stations will be installed as part of existing communication arrays at the existing stations and are the same type and model of transceivers that are already deployed at the stations for other DoD missions.

The EA determined that the CSEL program would have no impact on air and water quality or biological and cultural resources. The EA assessed the potential environmental impacts associated with hazardous materials from the lithium sulfur dioxide battery for the CSEL hand-held radio and electromagnetic radiation hazards from the transceivers to be installed at the UHF SATCOM Base Stations. The EA determined that the impacts from these two areas are not significant.

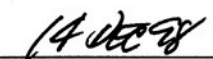
Mitigation: No significant impacts were identified that would require mitigation.

Conclusion: Following a review of the attached EA, which is hereby incorporated by reference, it is concluded that the CSEL Program will not result in significant environmental impacts, and an Environmental Impact Statement is not required. This document, and the supporting EA, fulfill the requirements of NEPA, CEQ regulations, and AFI 32-7061.

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LIST OF ACRONYMS AND ABBREVIATIONS

AAA	Anti-Aircraft Artillery
AFB	Air Force Base
AFI	Air Force Instruction
AFOSH	Air Force Occupational Safety and Health
AFOTEC	Air Force Test and Evaluation Center
ACGIH	American Conference of Government Industrial Hygienist
BOEING	Boeing North American
CATEX	Categorical Exclusion
CED	Concept Exploration and Definition
CEQ	Council on Environmental Quality
CSEL	Combat Survivor/Evader Locator
DoD	Department of Defense
DOPAA	Description of the Proposed Action and Alternatives
EA	Environmental Assessment
EIAP	Environmental Impact Analysis Process
EMC	Electromagnetic Compatibility
EMR	Electro-Magnetic Radiation
FONSI	Finding of No Significant Impact
FY	Fiscal Year
GPS	Global Position System
IEEE	Institute of Electrical Electronics Engineers
JROC	Joint Requirements Oversight Council
JSRC	Joint Search and Rescue Center
LiSO ₂	Lithium-Sulfur Dioxide
MSDS	Material Safety Data Sheet
N/A	Not Applicable
NEPA	National Environmental Policy Act
OSHA	Occupational Safety and Health Administration
PBD	Program Budget Decision
PEL	Permissible Exposure Level
RF	Radio Frequency
SAM	Surface-to-Air Missile
SARSAT	Search & Rescue Satellite Assisted Tracking
SATCOM	Satellite Communication
UHF	Ultra High Frequency
USAF	U.S. Air Force

SECTION 1.0
PURPOSE AND NEED FOR ACTION

1.0 PURPOSE AND NEED FOR ACTION

1.1 BACKGROUND

1. The Department of Defense (DoD) currently relies on the PRC-90 and the PRC-112 standard issue survival radios to assist search and rescue forces to locate downed pilots and other isolated personnel. The design of these radios is 15-30 years old and exhibit key shortcomings that can be overcome by current technology. In January 1992, as a result of lessons learned in Desert Storm, the Joint Requirements Oversight Council (JROC) approved the mission need statement for the Combat Survivor/Evader Locator (CSEL) program. CSEL Milestone 0 approval was issued in August 1992.

2. The CSEL program completed its Concept Exploration and Definition (CED) Phase in Fiscal Year (FY) 1994. This phase included the following:
 - Contracted and in-house concept studies that developed a variety of alternative solutions for the CSEL Cost and Operational Effectiveness Analysis.
 - Survey of commercial communications capabilities.
 - Development and approval of an Operational Requirements Document.
 - Development of a CSEL Operations Concept.
 - Selection of a proposed concept for further development and demonstration.
 - Formulation of a proposed implementation plan.
 - Development of the detailed plan for demonstrating and defining the system and segment requirements for the proposed CSEL concept.

However, approval to move CSEL into the next phase was not pursued by DoD due to the high cost of the potential solutions.

1.2 PURPOSE AND NEED

1. Events in Bosnia, specifically the downing of Captain Scott O'Grady in May 1995, highlighted the need to resume development of the CSEL program and resulted in Program Budget Decision (PBD) No. 228, based on a September 21, 1995 memorandum between the Secretary of Defense and the Director, Central Intelligence, that directed the development and procurement of an improved combat search and rescue radio that fulfills the CSEL mission need statement. The PBD provided for the procurement of CSEL radios beginning 18 months

after the award of an EMD contract. Radio deliveries for all DoD services are proposed to begin at 500 in FY 1998 and ramp up to 8,000 in FY 2000, for a total of 27,000 units by FY 2002.

2. The CSEL system has been designed to provide global over-the-horizon data communications, line-of-sight voice communications, and precise Global Position System (GPS) positioning capabilities for DoD personnel when they are confronted with survival and/or evasion scenarios in peacetime and conflict situations. The CSEL system is composed of three components: User Equipment, Over-the-Horizon Relay, and Ground System. Figure 1.1 shows the three components of the CSEL system.
3. To assure the operational suitability and effectiveness of the CSEL system before deployment in FY 1998, Developmental Testing and an Operational Assessment program will be conducted using 35 production CSEL hand-held radios. The results of these tests will be used to fine-tune the system design and provide data for a decision regarding production.

1.3 DECISION TO BE MADE

The decision to be made regarding the CSEL program is to whether to:

- Proceed with production and deployment of the CSEL system and its associated infrastructure.
- Take no action (i.e., No Action Alternative) and continue to rely upon the existing combat search and rescue system and hardware.

1.4 PURPOSE OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

The purpose of this Environmental Assessment (EA) is to provide information to the U.S. Air Force (USAF) decision maker(s) regarding the potential environmental consequences of the proposed action and alternatives, including the No Action alternative. The information included in this EA will be considered, along with other technical and mission needs information regarding the CSEL program, in making decisions regarding the program.

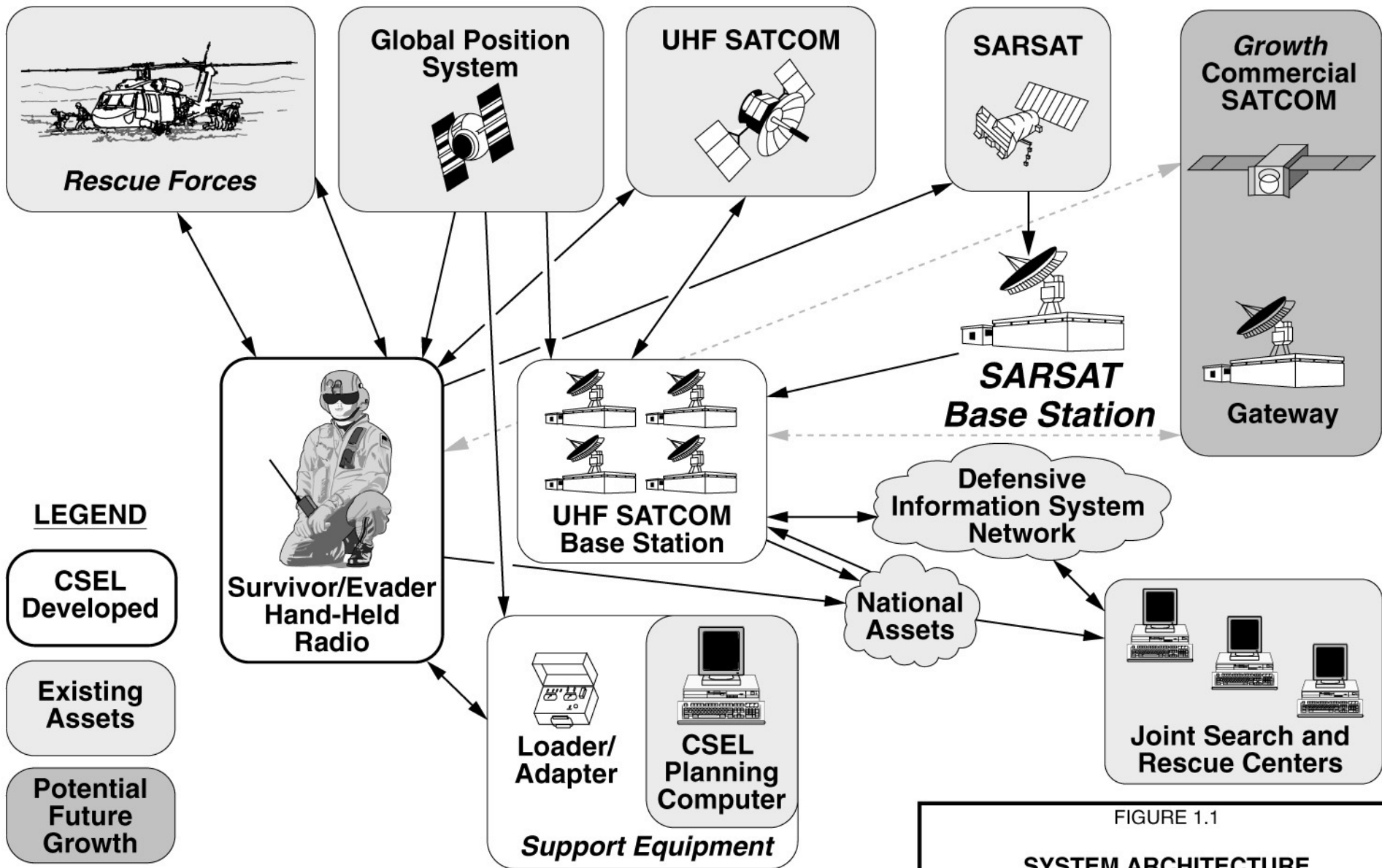


FIGURE 1.1

SYSTEM ARCHITECTURE

COMBAT SURVIVOR/EVADER LOCATOR SYSTEM
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1.5 ISSUES

1. This EA analyzes the potential environmental issues associated with the Developmental Testing and Operational Assessment of 35 production CSEL radios by DoD personnel at various existing DoD facilities, and the proposed production, deployment, operation, maintenance, and disposal of the CSEL system and its associated infrastructure worldwide. The following factors were considered in determining the range of issues addressed in this EA:
 - As discussed in detail in Chapter 2.0 of this EA, Developmental Testing of the CSEL hardware and infrastructure system will be conducted at various existing DoD facilities whose ongoing missions include the testing and analysis of electronic equipment and systems. This includes both laboratory based testing and field testing by DoD and governmental contractor personnel. Therefore, the Developmental Testing of the CSEL system at existing DoD facilities is considered part of the baseline environmental condition at the facilities and does not require additional environmental analysis as part of the CSEL program.
 - As discussed in detail in Chapter 2.0 of this EA, the Operational Assessment and Operational Testing program for the CSEL system includes deployment of DoD personnel at various existing DoD facilities as part of routine or annual training exercises. These personnel will use 35 CSEL hand-held radios as part of routine search and rescue exercises, with the only difference being the use of the CSEL hand-held radios rather than standard issues search and rescue radios. Therefore, with the exception of testing new equipment, the deployment of personnel at various DoD facilities is part of the existing mission of the facilities, and is considered part of the baseline environmental condition of the facilities and does not require additional environmental analysis as part of the CSEL program.
 - As shown in Figure 1.1, the majority of the CSEL system are existing DoD assets that can accommodate the additional mission requirements of the CSEL program without upgrades or expansions. The two new components of the program are the CSEL hand-held radio and the transmitting/receiving antennas that will be installed as part of the UHF SATCOM Base Stations at four existing Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Stations. The antennas will be installed as part of existing communication arrays at the existing stations, and are the same type and model of antennas that are already deployed at the stations for other DoD missions.

2. Through this evaluation of potential environmental issues associated with testing, production, deployment, operation, maintenance, and disposal of the CSEL system, the two following specific issues were identified that require environmental analyses, and are the focus of this EA:
 - The CSEL hand-held radio is powered by a lithium sulfur dioxide (LiSO₂) battery pack that was selected for the CSEL program because it provides longer battery life over a wider temperature range than conventional alkaline batteries. While specific safe guards have been designed into the battery case and the battery pack itself, in the event of an uncontrolled

venting during field-use, maintenance, storage, and/or disposal, the LiSO₂ battery pack has the potential to emit hot toxic sulfur dioxide vapors. This EA analyzes the potential environmental consequences of uncontrolled venting of the battery pack.

- The transmitting/receiving antennas that will be installed as part of the UHF SATCOM Base Stations at four existing Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Stations, and two similar antennas that will be installed to support the CSEL Operational Assessment program emit low level electro-magnetic radiation (EMR) that has the potential to result in human health and safety risks. This EA analyzes the potential human health and safety consequences associated with the EMR generated by the CSEL transmitting/receiving antennas.
3. With the exception of the potential environmental consequences associated with the uncontrolled venting of the LiSO₂ battery pack and the EMR from the transmitting/receiving antennas, the testing, production, deployment, operation, maintenance, and disposal of the CSEL hardware and infrastructure on a world-wide basis does not have the potential to result in environmental consequences.

1.6 SCOPE OF ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

1. This EA is part of USAF's Environmental Impact Analysis Process (EIAP) for the proposed CSEL program. The requirements for the EIAP are included in Air Force Instruction (AFI) 32-7061, *Environmental Impact Analysis Process*, which implements the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and the President's Council on Environmental Quality (CEQ) regulations for complying with NEPA. Additional EIAP requirements are included in DoD Directive 6050.1, *Mandatory Procedures for Major Defense Acquisition Programs*; and Air Force Policy Directive 32-70, *Environmental Quality*.
2. This EA evaluates the potential environmental consequences of the full range of activities associated with the proposed action and the reasonable alternatives to the proposed action, including the No Action alternative. In accordance with AFI 32-7061, NEPA, and CEQ regulations, this EA:
 - Describes the existing baseline environmental conditions as related to the proposed action.
 - Identifies and analyzes the potential environmental consequences of the proposed action and the resulting environmental impacts and cumulative environmental impacts.

- Identifies mitigation measures, as appropriate, to eliminate, limit or reduce the potential environmental impacts associated with the proposed action and its alternatives.
 - Identifies applicable environmental permits, if any, that may be required for the proposed action.
3. Applicable CSEL program and environmental data were collected and analyzed to document the potential environmental consequences of the proposed action and alternatives. This data included the Request for Environmental Analysis (Air Force Form 813) and the Description of the Proposed Action and Alternatives (DOPAA) for the CSEL program dated May 19, 1997 (see Appendix A). The Air Force Form 813 determined that the program did not qualify for a Categorical Exclusion (CATEX) and that additional environmental analysis was required.
 4. In accordance with NEPA and CEQ regulations, the USAF is required to determine the environmental impacts of its proposed actions and its alternatives. If, upon review of this EA and other technical and mission information regarding the CSEL program, the USAF decision makers approve the findings and conclusion of this EA that the potential environmental impacts from the CSEL program are not significant, the USAF decision makers will approve a Finding of No Significant Impact (FONSI).

1.7 ORGANIZATION OF THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT

1. The remainder of this EA is organized in the following Chapter format:
 - **Chapter 2.0:** Description of the Proposed Action and Alternatives (DOPAA).
 - **Chapter 3.0:** Affected Environment
 - **Chapter 4.0:** Environmental Consequences and Cumulative Impacts
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 - Appendix C: U.S. Army Communications - Electronics Command Environmental Impact Analysis Worksheet - Operational Testing of CSEL System
 - Appendix D: Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) - LiSO₂ Battery
 - Appendix E: CSEL Electromagnetic Radiation (EMR) Hazards Analysis - Camp Smith, Hawaii

SECTION 2.0
DESCRIPTION OF
PROPOSED ACTION AND ALTERNATIVES

2.0 DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED ACTION AND ALTERNATIVES (DOPAA)

2.1 INTRODUCTION

1. This chapter provides the DOPAA for the CSEL system life cycle including the Developmental Testing and Operational Assessment, production, deployment, operation, maintenance, and disposal of the CSEL system. This chapter also includes a description of the alternatives to the proposed action, including the No Action alternative.
2. The CSEL system has been designed to provide global over-the-horizon data communications, line-of-sight voice communications, and precise GPS positioning capabilities for DoD personnel when they are confronted with survival and/or evasion scenarios in peacetime and conflict situations. The CSEL system is composed of three components: User Equipment, Over-the-Horizon Relay, and Ground Systems (see Figure 1.1).
3. If the program is approved, deployment includes the delivery of CSEL hand-held radios to DoD units beginning with 500 radios in FY 1998, and increasing up to 8,000 radios in FY 2000, for a total of 27,000 radios by FY 2002. To assure the operational suitability and effectiveness of the CSEL system before deployment, Developmental Testing and an Operational Assessment program will be conducted using 35 production CSEL hand-held radios. The results of these tests will be used to fine-tune the system design and provide data for a decision regarding production.

2.2 SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

2.2.1 USER EQUIPMENT SEGMENT

1. As shown in Figure 1.1, the User Equipment segment of the CSEL program consists of the hand-held radios provided to DoD personnel who may be faced with a survival or evasion situation. The hand-held radios are supported by the CSEL Planning Computers to load mission specific information into the radio prior to a mission, and Loader/Adapters that serve as an interface between the CSEL Planning Computers and the hand-held radios. The following sections provide an overview of the User Equipment components.

2.2.1.1 Hand-Held Radio

1. The 28 ounce CSEL hand-held radio includes a P(Y)-code GPS receiver; a VHF/UHF line-of-sight, 2-way unencrypted voice transceiver; VHF/UHF rescue beacons; a 2-way secure Over-the Horizon data transceiver; and a Search & Rescue Satellite Assisted Tracking (SARSAT) compatible rescue beacon. The LiSO₂ battery pack for the hand-held radio provides longer battery life over a wider temperature range than conventional alkaline batteries.
2. The CSEL hand-held radio is programmable and has been designed to meet ease of use requirements. Messages from the CSEL hand-held radio contain a precise Y-Code GPS position; survivor/evader situation information; authentication of the user's identity; and can contain freeform text information to support user authentication prior to initiating the rescue operation and/or provide commands/information to the survivor/evader from a Joint Search and Rescue Center (JSRC) to assist in evasion.
3. The highly modular CSEL hand-held radio design allows for inexpensive upgrades. One such upgrade might be a replacement module for the VHF/UHF card that would support use of commercial satellite communications systems.

2.2.1.2 Support Equipment

The support equipment necessary to operate the CSEL hand-held radio is limited. The CSEL Planning Computer and Loader/Adapter, shown in Figure 1.1, provide the data interface for loading mission data. These include VHF/UHF operational frequencies, communication cryptographic keys, escape/evasion routes, safe zone coordinates, canned messages, precise time, GPS cryptographic keys, and other pertinent information.

2.2.1.3 Battery Pack and Backup Battery

1. The CSEL hand-held radio uses a battery pack containing four "half-D" LiSO₂ cells. The battery case is designed with personnel and environmental safety concerns in mind. The battery pack includes a logic circuit that prevents rapid discharge of the battery cells (which has the potential to result in violent venting of sulfur dioxide). This logic circuit also controls the Controlled Discharge Device that allows the remaining power of the battery to be

discharged to assure safe storage, transport and disposal of expended batteries. In addition, the case has strategically-placed “pressure points” that are designed to guide hot toxic vapors (i.e., sulfur dioxide) away from the operator in the unlikely event of a venting incident.

2. LiSO₂ battery chemistry is the most significant environmental and safety concern related to CSEL program. For this reason, a major part of the Developmental Testing program for the CSEL system is focused on certifying the battery for use by all three DoD services: Army, Navy and Air Force.
3. The CSEL hand-held radio also contains a backup coin-cell battery that is used to keep key components of radio's memory "alive "when the main battery pack is removed for maintenance. The battery used for this backup function is a commercially-available lithium, coin-cell battery (model number CR1620) that can be handled like any other commercially-available lithium battery.

2.2.2 OVER-THE-HORIZON RELAY COMPONENT

The Over-the-Horizon Relay component includes two Satellite Communication (SATCOM) systems to provide total Earth coverage. These two systems are the Ultra High Frequency (UHF) SATCOM and SARSAT. Jointly these two satellite systems provide continuous world-wide, over-the-horizon coverage.

2.2.2.1 UHF SATCOM

The UHF SATCOM supports 2-way messaging/geolocation between the survivor/evader with a hand-held radio and one of four proposed UHF SATCOM Base Station that will be installed at four existing Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Stations. The UHF SATCOM Base Station includes a transmitting/receiving antenna which will be installed as part of existing communication arrays at the existing stations. The antennas are the same type and model already deployed at the stations for other DoD missions.

2.2.2.2 SARSAT

The SARSAT mode operates over the international SARSAT Low Earth Orbit satellite system and is intended for emergency coverage above 70° latitudes where UHF SATCOM and

National Asset coverage may be lacking. Unencrypted CSEL transmissions via SARSAT are received at the U.S. Mission Control Center, processed, and forwarded to a UHF SATCOM Base Station for routing to the appropriate JSRC.

2.2.2.3 Commercial System Growth

The CSEL System architecture is designed for future growth to include a commercial satellite link, when available. Commercial satellite communication services allow CSEL to become independent of the heavily used UHF SATCOM satellites. The system does not currently accommodate commercial satellite services.

2.2.3 GROUND COMPONENT

2.2.3.1 UHF SATCOM Base Stations

1. The ground segment of the CSEL program includes the UHF SATCOM Base Stations and JSRC computer terminal, see Figure 2.1. The UHF SATCOM Base Stations will be installed at four world-wide locations, as shown in Figure 2.2. The four Base Stations will be collocated at existing Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station facilities. The UHF SATCOM Base Stations receive and transmit CSEL encrypted messages that are relayed to/from users via the UHF SATCOM satellites.
2. The CSEL UHF SATCOM Base Stations equipment consists of a UHF SATCOM transceiver (AN/WSC-3 [v 9]), a rack-mounted computer with custom UHF SATCOM signal processing software, routing database and messaging software that delivers messages back and forth to the appropriate JSRC computer terminal. The computer performs the UHF SATCOM command and control functions and executes the messaging software. The Base Station hardware and software are configured in two duplicate racks with one acting as a primary and the other as a hot backup to provide redundancy. CSEL communications data are encrypted to provide data security with a primary and backup encryption key provided to each user.

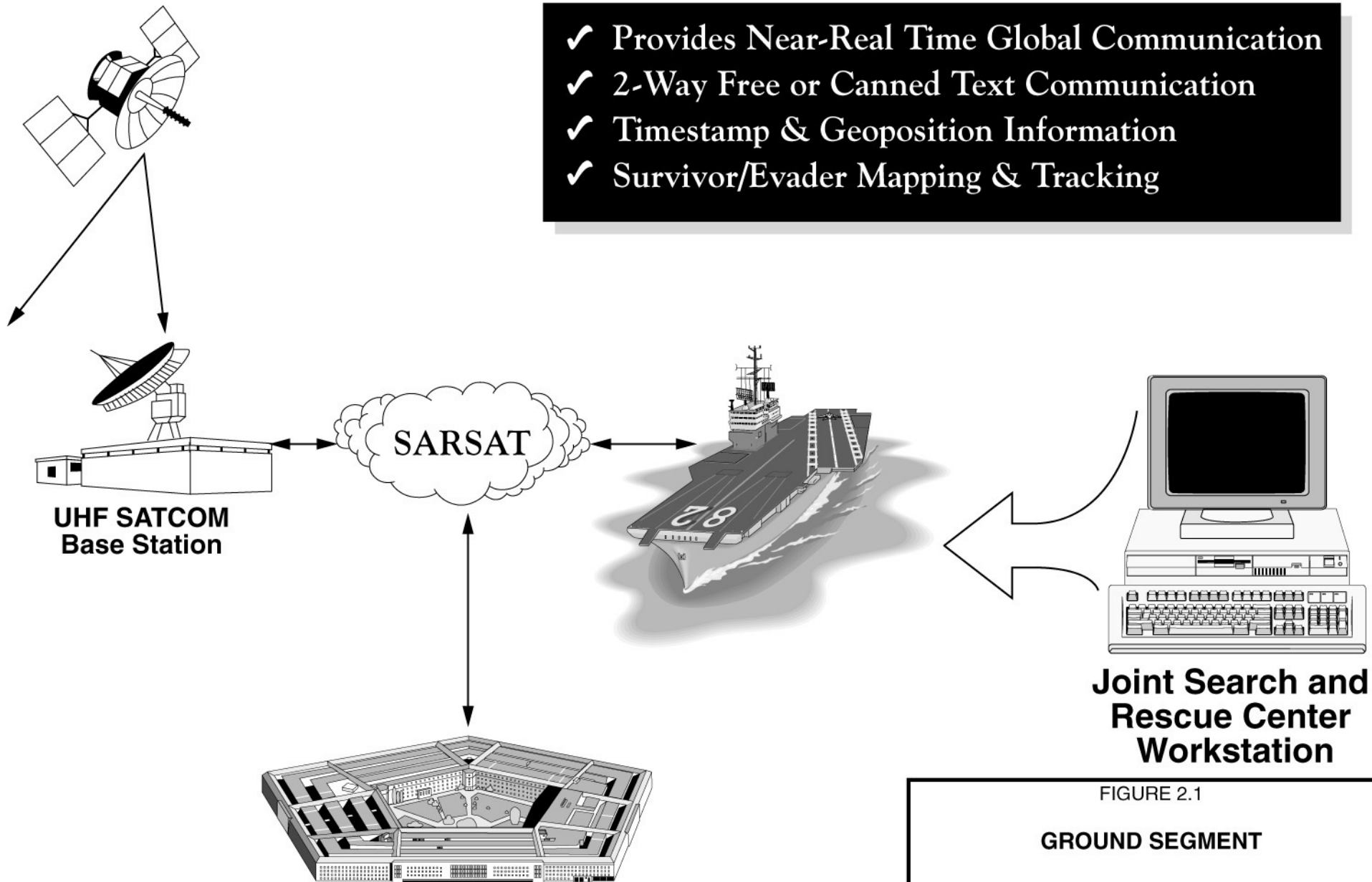


FIGURE 2.1

GROUND SEGMENT

COMBAT SURVIVOR/EVADER LOCATOR SYSTEM
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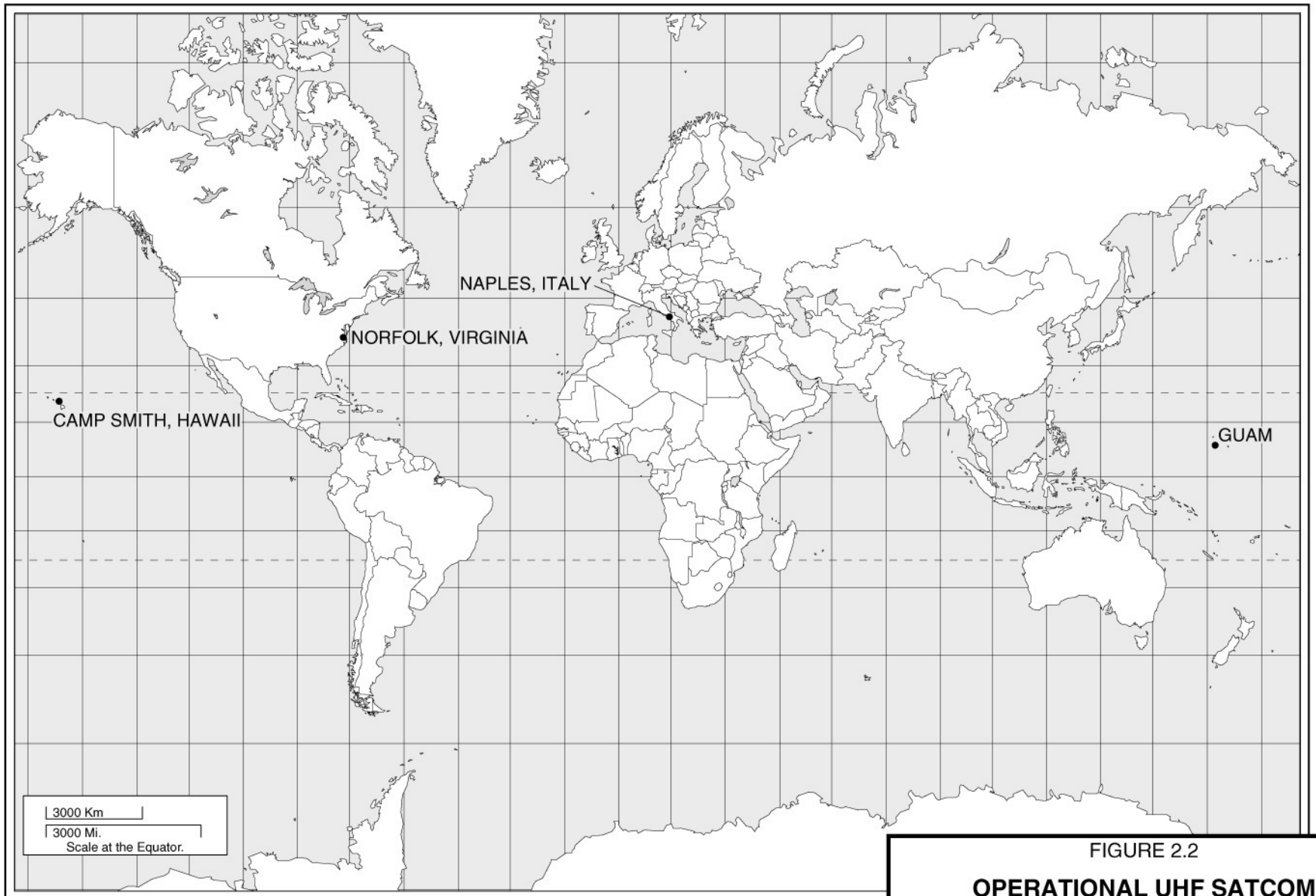


FIGURE 2.2

**OPERATIONAL UHF SATCOM
BASE STATION LOCATIONS**

COMBAT SURVIVOR/EVADER LOCATOR SYSTEM
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2.2.3.2 JSRC

The existing/evolving Defense Information System Network interconnects the four UHF SATCOM Base Stations with the world-wide network of JSRCs. The JSRC is the hub of the CSEL system from a command and control perspective, performing data distribution and information flow to search and rescue personnel. The JSRC computer terminals provide CSEL data receiving, display, and data dissemination. The JSRC computer terminal displays provide the capability to read incoming messages received from the CSEL hand-held radios. The incoming message received by the JSRC terminal provide the survivor/evader identification and authentication, location, status, time of message transmission, time of last GPS fix, time of message receipt, data type, frequency, and the Over-the-Horizon asset in use to the JSRC operator.

2.3 DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED ACTION

The following sections describe the proposed testing and evaluation of the CSEL system and its components at DoD facilities and, if approved, the production, deployment, operation, maintenance, and disposal of CSEL system and infrastructure to DoD units world-wide.

2.3.1 TESTING AND EVALUATION

To support CSEL's Developmental Testing and Operational Assessment program, 30 hand-held radios and six Loader/Adapters will be fabricated by government contractors that includes Boeing North American (Boeing) as the prime system contractor. An additional five CSEL hand-held radios will be built and used by government contractors for their own testing. In addition to hand-held radios and Loader/Adapters, government contractors will deliver four Sun Ultra workstations loaded with the CSEL JSRC software, CSEL Panning Computer software to be loaded on computer workstations, and six racks of equipment at the two UHF SATCOM Base Station that will support the operational testing.

2.3.1.1 Developmental Testing

Developmental Testing of the CSEL system will be performed to measure system performance to specification requirements. Developmental Testing will be performed by trained personnel at various, existing DoD test centers, including: Fort Huachuca, Arizona; Holloman Air Force Base (AFB), New Mexico; and the Navy Systems Warfare Center in Indianapolis, Indiana, as shown in Figure 2.3. In addition, Developmental Testing, Acceptance Testing, and

Qualification Testing will be performed by government contractor and subcontractors at their facilities. The following paragraphs provide an overview of the CSEL Developmental Testing program.

Army Electronic Proving Grounds, Fort Huachuca, Arizona

Personnel at the Army Electronic Proving Grounds will perform testing on the CSEL hand-held radio to test radiated power, link margin and bit error rates. Software for the hand-held radio, CSEL Planning Computer, JSRC and UHF SATCOM Base Stations will be tested for ease of use.

746th Test Squadron, Holloman, New Mexico

The 746th Test Squadron is the Responsible Test Organization for coordination of the CSEL Developmental Testing program. In addition to administering the integrated (government/contractor) Developmental Testing plan, the 746th will conduct the GPS-related testing and acceleration survivability testing of the CSEL system.

Navy Systems Warfare Center, Indianapolis, Indiana

The Navy Systems Warfare Center is responsible for the safety certification testing for the LiSO₂ battery. The Navy will perform tests to determine the battery's ability to withstand extreme conditions in the hands of operators. This certification program will include tri-service requirements for battery safety.

Boeing North American and Associated Sub-Contractors

Testing at the component, module, and system level is on-going at the government contractors' sites throughout the development process. Contractor Developmental Testing includes the use of brassboards, workbench prototypes, analysis and simulation. In addition to Developmental Testing, the government contractors are involved in formal Qualification Testing and Acceptance Testing to demonstrate compliance with CSEL program parameters.



FIGURE 23
**DEVELOPMENTAL
TESTING LOCATIONS**
COMBAT SURVIVOR/EVADER LOCATOR SYSTEM
U.S. AIR FORCE
SPACE AND MISSILE SYSTEMS CENTER
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2.3.1.2 Operational Assessment and Operational Testing

1. Operational Assessment and Operational Testing of the CSEL system will be coordinated by the Air Force Test and Evaluation Center (AFOTEC) at Kirtland AFB, New Mexico. As the responsible agency for the Operational Assessment and Operational Testing of the CSEL system, AFOTEC will coordinate resources, tri-service participation in the assessment program, locations of test events, test objectives and pass/fail criteria. The Operational Assessment and Operational Testing locations are shown in Figure 2.4.
2. The primary purpose of the Operational Assessment and Operational Testing is to provide an independent DoD assessment of the CSEL system under various field and operational scenarios. Consequently, the operational testing is conducted with “operators” instead of engineers, contractors and program managers.

Operational Assessment and Operational Testing Scenarios

1. The Operational Assessment and Operational Testing of the CSEL system will consist of field scenarios that will be executed multiple times to provide an accurate characterization of the system’s effectiveness and operational suitability. Variations in the field scenarios for differing environmental conditions (e.g., darkness, foliage, terrain, precipitation, low temperatures, water, etc.) are incorporated into the test plan. The field scenarios will be conducted by DoD operational personnel in Alaska, Nevada, Washington and Hawaii as part of current training exercises or as part of the routine testing and evaluation mission of the DoD facilities involved. No dedicated range support is required for the CSEL Operational Assessment and Operational Testing program.
2. To support the field scenarios, the equipment for two UHF SATCOM Base Stations will be installed at existing facilities. The Base Station equipment will be installed at Camp Smith, Hawaii and at Boeing's Anaheim, California facility (see Figure 2.4). Equipment installed at these two sites will include the UHF SATCOM transceiver (AN/WSC-3 [v 9]), a rack-mounted computer with UHF SATCOM signal processing software, routing database and messaging software that delivers messages back and forth to the JSRC computer terminals. Both Camp Smith, Hawaii and Boeing's Anaheim, California facility currently support various programs that include transceivers of the same type as will be installed for the CSEL system.



FIGURE 2.4
OPERATIONAL ASSESSMENT AND TESTING LOCATIONS
COMBAT SURVIVOR/EVADER LOCATOR SYSTEM
U.S. AIR FORCE
SPACE AND MISSILE SYSTEMS CENTER
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3. The CSEL system Operational Assessment and Operational Testing program includes three field scenarios that will be implemented by DoD personnel at each of the testing locations. The field scenarios were specifically designed to represent the operating environment that is envisioned for the CSEL system and the DoD personnel that will rely upon the system for search and rescue. The three field scenarios are as follows:
 - **Scenario 1 - Ground Team Extraction:** This scenario involves rescue of aircrew members shot down over hostile territory. The scenario simulates search and rescue activities behind the "Forward Edge" of the "Battle Area" in a simulated high threat environment. Threats to the search and rescue force include: surface-to-air missiles (SAM), anti-aircraft artillery (AAA), and small arms fire from enemy troop concentrations. Collateral threats include communications radio monitoring and direction finding to locate communications emissions.
 - **Scenario 2 - Search and Rescue Task Force:** This scenario involves the rescue of two aircrew members shot down over hostile territory by a Search and Rescue Task Force assembled from DoD operational force elements in the area. The scenario simulates the successfully ejection of two crew members that land approximately one mile apart behind hostile in a high threat environment. One of the crew members is injured and cannot move.
 - **Scenario 3 - Opportunity Search and Rescue:** This scenario involves the rescue of two aircrew members from a ground or water environment.

Operational Assessment and Operational Testing Locations

1. The CSEL system Operational Assessment and Operational Testing will be conducted at various DoD facilities, as shown in Figure 2.4. Most of the data collected for assessment of the CSEL system will come from either combined testing or dedicated operational testing in the field. Developmental Test data will include data from battery safety tests and hand-held radio environmental tests. The majority of combined testing will be conducted at the Army's Electronic Proving Ground at Fort Huachuca. Data on jamming, data communications, and GPS accuracy/time to fix will be collected during combined testing. Other assessment areas will be addressed in both combined and dedicated field testing.
2. The field scenarios discussed above will be conducted at various locations to adequately exercise the Over-the-Horizon capabilities of the system. The field scenarios will be supported from various locations including Fort Richardson and Point Barrow, Alaska; Camp Smith, Hawaii; Fairchild AFB, Washington; Boeing's Anaheim, California facility, and a U.S. Navy ship that will be off the west coast. To support the field scenarios, there will be four JSRC sites, two UHF SATCOM Base Stations (Camp Smith, Hawaii and Boeing's Anaheim, California facility), and at least 18 hand-held radio involved in the field testing.

3. Operators will be located at various sites including Hawaii and Alaska. They will be comprised of Rescue Center operators, UHF SATCOM Base Station operators, hand-held radio users (mock survivors), and CSEL Planning Computer operators. JSRC Workstation operators will be located in four locations: Fort Belvoir, Virginia; Fort Richardson, Alaska; Pacific Rescue Coordination Center, Honolulu, Hawaii; and aboard a U.S. Navy ship off the west coast.
4. Finally, survivors/evaders and CSEL Planning Computer operators will be dispersed over multiple locations, including Kirtland AFB, New Mexico; Nellis AFB, Nevada; Fort Richardson and Point Barrow Alaska; Camp Smith, Hawaii; Fort Huachuca, Arizona; and Fairchild AFB, Washington.

2.4 FULL SCALE PRODUCTION DEPLOYMENT, OPERATION, MAINTENANCE, AND DISPOSAL (LIFE CYCLE)

2.4.1 PRODUCTION AND DEPLOYMENT

1. If full scale production and deployment of the CSEL system is approved, 27,000 CSEL hand-held radios and their various components will be manufactured at government contractor and sub-contractor facilities at various locations. The delivery of CSEL hand-held radios to DoD units will begin with 500 radios in FY 1998, and increasing up to 8,000 radios in FY 2000 for a total of 27,000 radios by FY 2002.
2. The production of the CSEL system components will take place in existing contractor facilities designed and permitted for the manufacture of electronic hardware and the various supporting components. There are various contractors and sub-contractors involved in the development, manufacturing and integration processes for the CSEL program, with the prime contractor being Boeing.
3. The operational equipment for the UHF SATCOM Base Stations will be installed at four existing locations, as shown in Figure 2.2. The equipment for the Base Stations will be

collocated at four existing Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station facilities. The UHF SATCOM Base Stations receive and transmit CSEL encrypted messages that are relayed to/from users via the UHF SATCOM satellites.

4. The CSEL UHF SATCOM Base Stations equipment consists of a UHF SATCOM transceiver (AN/WSC-3 [v 9]), a rack-mounted computer with custom UHF SATCOM signal processing software, routing database and messaging software that delivers messages back and forth to the appropriate JSRC computer terminal. The computer performs the UHF SATCOM command and control functions and executes the messaging software.
5. As the CSEL hand-held radios become available, they will be deployed to DoD operational units world-wide. Deployment is scheduled to begin in FY 1998 and will be completed in FY 2002. During this period, both the CSEL system and existing standard issues survival radios will be used. Once deployed, the CSEL hand-held radio system will be used by DoD personnel when they are confronted with survival and/or evasion in peacetime and conflict situations.

2.4.2 OPERATION, MAINTENANCE AND DISPOSAL

1. The CSEL system, including the four UHF SATCOM Base Stations world-wide, will begin operations in FY 1998 when the first CSEL hand-held radios are scheduled for deployment. Routine operations include the use of the CSEL support equipment to load mission specific information into the hand-held radios prior to DoD personnel use, in peacetime or conflict situations.
2. The operation of the CSEL specific equipment at the UHF SATCOM Base Stations will be handled by DoD personnel at the four existing Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Stations. The operators of the Base Station equipment will relay information from DoD personnel using the CSEL system to appropriate DoD search and rescue forces using the world-wide network of JSRC workstations deployed as part of the system.
3. Maintenance of the CSEL system includes routine maintenance of the supporting electronic equipment at the UHF Base Stations and of the JSRC workstations. Maintenance will also be conducted on the CSEL hand-held radios to assure their proper operation. The maintenance of the hand-held radios includes the testing and replacement of the LiSO₂ batteries on a regular basis to assure the batteries are fully charged and operational.

4. When the batteries in a hand-held radio require replacement, DoD or contractor maintenance personnel will activate the Controlled Discharge Device that allows the remaining power of the battery to be discharged to assure safe removal, storage, transport and disposal of expended batteries. As part of Developmental Testing program for the CSEL system, the Navy Systems Warfare Center will develop specific procedures for the handling, maintenance, storage, transport and disposal of the LiSO₂ batteries. Personnel responsible for maintenance and disposal of the LiSO₂ batteries shall be trained as to the proper handling and disposal procedures.
5. As with the existing standard issued survival radios, it is expected that the CSEL system will be used for years to come by DoD personnel. At the time the CSEL system is replaced by the next generation of survival radios, similar procedures developed for maintenance of the system will be used to deactivate the system and remove the components out of the field. With the exception of the LiSO₂ batteries, the electronic components of the CSEL system are inert. The batteries will either be used for other systems (if appropriate) or they will be disposed of using the specific procedures which the Navy Systems Warfare Center will develop, and that are hereby adopted by this EA, for handling and disposal of the LiSO₂ batteries (see Section 4.1.1.1, paragraph 5).

2.5 ALTERNATIVES TO THE PROPOSED ACTION

2.5.1 NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE

The No Action Alternative is no testing, production, or deployment of the CSEL system. This would result in DoD continuing to rely on the PRC-90 and the PRC-112 standard issue survival radios to assist search and rescue forces to locate downed pilots and other isolated personnel. The design of these radios is 15-30 years old and exhibit key shortcomings that can be overcome by current technology. The No Action Alternative will not fulfill the purpose and need for improved combat search and rescue capabilities, and will not meet PBD No. 228, that implements the September 21, 1995 memorandum between the Secretary of Defense and the Director, Central Intelligence that directed the development and procurement of an improved combat search and rescue radio system that fulfills the CSEL mission need statement.

2.5.2 OTHER ALTERNATIVES ELIMINATED FROM CONSIDERATION

2.5.2.1 Alternative Battery

1. The LiSO₂ battery is one of the few aspects of the CSEL program where an environmental consideration exists. One potential alternative would be to find ways to use a more inert batteries to the extent possible. The LiSO₂ battery has been determined to be the battery type capable of meeting CSEL's mission and performance requirements (21 days battery life at 25° C and 3 days battery life at -40° C). Therefore, the use of alternative battery would not meet the CSEL mission requirements and is not a reasonable or feasible alternative to the proposed action.
2. It may be possible, however, to conduct much of the Developmental Testing and Operational Assessment of the CSEL system using an alternate battery chemistry. The NAVSTAR Global Positioning System Joint Program Office, Space and Missile Systems Center, Headquarters Materiel Command determined that this alternative would have direct impacts on the CSEL program schedule and cost, and that it would result in technical performance issues during testing of the system. Each battery that is developed for CSEL must be designed and tested, and certified by government agencies before it can be used to support the system. This process takes more advanced planning than can be afforded on CSEL's short schedule. Furthermore, a parallel battery development would have a considerable impact on the cost of the program. Finally, it was determined that it would be difficult to find an alternate battery chemistry that would provide the peak power required for the CSEL hand-held radio. Therefore, the use of an alternative battery during Developmental Testing and Operational Assessment of the CSEL system is not a reasonable or feasible alternative to the proposed action.

2.6 MITIGATION MEASURES

No significant impacts have been identified which would require mitigation. Specific impacts analyses are included in Chapter 4.0.

SECTION 3.0
AFFECTED ENVIRONMENT

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3.1 INTRODUCTION

1. This chapter describes the baseline environmental conditions that are relevant to the decisions to be made regarding the proposed action.
2. The following factors were considered in determining the range of the potential environmental issues that could be associated with the Developmental Testing, Operational Assessment and Operational Testing of the CSEL system by DoD and government contractor personnel at various existing facilities, and the proposed production, deployment and life cycle of the CSEL system and its associated infrastructure worldwide:
 - As discussed in Chapter 2.0, Developmental Testing, the CSEL hardware and infrastructure system will be conducted at various existing DoD and government contractor facilities whose ongoing missions include the testing and analysis of electronic equipment and systems. This includes both laboratory based testing and field testing by DoD and governmental contractor personnel. Therefore, the Developmental Testing of the CSEL system at existing DoD and government contractor facilities is considered part of the baseline environmental condition at the facilities, and does not require additional environmental analysis as part of the CSEL program.
 - As discussed in Chapter 2.0, the Operational Assessment and Operational Testing program for the CSEL system includes deployment of DoD personnel at various existing DoD facilities as part of routine and/or annual training exercises. These personnel will use the CSEL hand-held radios as part of routine search and rescue exercises, with the only difference being the use of the CSEL hand-held radios rather than standard issues search and rescue radios. Therefore, with the exception of testing new equipment, the deployment of personnel at various DoD facilities is part of the existing missions of these facilities, and is considered part of the baseline environmental condition of the facilities, and does not require additional environmental analysis as part of the CSEL program.

This finding is supported by the Air Force Form 813 for the 1997 Woodland Cougar Personnel Recovery Exercise at Fairchild AFB, Washington, which is an example of the assessments conducted for DoD exercises that would deploy CSEL test and production radios (see Appendix B). As noted, it has been determined by the USAF that Woodland Cougar qualifies for CATEX A2.3.22 - routine, temporary movement of personnel for training exercises. In addition, the U.S. Army Communication - Electronic Command prepared and Environmental Impact Analysis Worksheet for CSEL Operational Testing at Electronic Proving Grounds at Fort Huachuca, Arizona. Based on the Worksheet, the U.S. Army determined that the Operational Testing of the CSEL system at Fort Huachuca qualifies for a Categorical Exclusion (see Appendix C) and the USAF Space and Missile Systems Center concurs with that determination.

As discussed above, the temporary deployment of personnel to DoD facilities for routine training exercises normally qualifies for CATEX A2.3.22 pursuant to AFI 32-7061. For each location where CSEL Operations

Assessment and Operations Testing will occur, the NAVSTAR Global Positioning System Joint Program Office shall request a copy of the completed Request for Environmental Analysis (i.e., Air Force Form 813 or equivalent Army or Navy form) from the appropriate Environmental Planning Function that covers the CSEL field testing program. A copy of the Request for Environmental Analysis shall be provided to Headquarters, Space and Missile Systems Center/AXFV. If a Request for Environmental Analysis that covers the CSEL field testing program at a specific location has not been completed, the NAVSTAR Global Positioning System Joint Program Office shall submit a Request for Environmental Analysis to the appropriate Environmental Planning Function. A copy of the Request for Environmental Analysis and the results of that analysis shall be provided to Headquarters, Space and Missile Systems Center/AXFV.

- As shown in Figure 1.1, the majority of the CSEL system are existing DoD assets that can accommodate the additional mission requirements of the CSEL program without upgrades or expansions. The two new components of the program are the CSEL hand-held radio and the transceivers that will be installed as part of the UHF SATCOM Base Stations at four existing Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Stations. The transceivers will be installed as part of existing communication arrays at the existing stations and are the same type and model of transceivers that are already deployed at the stations for other DoD missions.

3.2 ISSUES REQUIRING ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS

1. As discussed in Chapter 2.0, the testing and production, deployment, operation, maintenance, and disposal of the CSEL system will be accomplished at existing DoD and contractor facilities that already perform similar functions and are permitted for performing this function and moreover the functions will not exceed the permit limits. In addition, the deployment of the CSEL infrastructure will occur at existing DoD facilities. Based on the DOPAA and data regarding the potential environmental issues associated with the testing, production, deployment, operation, maintenance, and disposal of the CSEL program, this EA has determined that the CSEL program does not have the potential to result in any significant environmental impacts to air quality, water quality, or biological or cultural resources.
2. Based on the evaluation of environmental issues potentially associated with the CSEL program, there are two issues that require more detailed environmental analysis to determine if they may result in significant environmental impacts. These two areas are hazardous materials and EMR. These two areas are summarized in the following sections and are the focus of Chapter 4.0.

3.2.1 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

1. The CSEL hand-held radio is powered by a LiSO₂ battery pack that was selected for the program because it provides longer battery life over a wider temperature range than conventional alkaline batteries. While specific safe guards have been designed into the battery case and the battery pack itself, in the event of an uncontrolled venting during field-use, maintenance, storage, and/or disposal, the LiSO₂ battery pack has the potential to emit hot toxic sulfur dioxide vapors. Toxicity is the tendency of a material to affect the health of a living organism through chemical interaction with the organism's biological systems.
2. LiSO₂ battery chemistry is considered to have the most significant environmental and safety concern related to CSEL program. For this reason, a major part of the Developmental Testing program for the CSEL system is focused on certifying the battery for use by all three DoD services: Army, Navy and Air Force. The testing of the battery is being conducted by Navy Systems Warfare Center at Indianapolis, Indiana. Out of this testing, specific DoD standards will be established for the field-use, maintenance, storage and disposal of the LiSO₂ batteries.

3.2.2 ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION

1. The CSEL UHF SATCOM Base Stations include a UHF SATCOM transceiver (AN/WSC-3 [v 9]), which will be installed as part of the program at four existing Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Stations, and two transceivers that will be installed to support the CSEL Operational Assessment program (see Figure 2.2). These transceivers emit low level electromagnetic radiation (EMR) that has the potential to result in human health and safety risks.
2. EMR is nonionizing radiation that is emitted at wavelengths whose photon energy is not high enough to ionize or "charge" an absorbing molecule, such as human tissue. Nonionizing radiation is that part of the EMR spectrum with wavelengths greater than 10⁻⁷ meters and consists primarily of near ultraviolet radiation, visible radiation or light, infrared radiation, and radio frequency (RF) radiation. RF radiation accounts for the largest range of frequencies among the various types of nonionizing radiation and is used extensively to transmit radio, television, and radar signals. RF radiation has a frequency range of 10 kilohertz to 300 gigahertz.
3. The CSEL UHF SATCOM Base Station transceiver will be a source of RF radiation. RF radiation hazards can exist when there is sufficient power contained in the incident radiation from these transceivers to cause damage to humans. Humans are affected when RF radiation agitates the molecules of the body, causing them to vibrate and rotate faster than normal.

This accelerated motion produces heat. When exposure to RF radiation ends, the additional molecular agitation stops.

4. The human body's thermoregulatory system can compensate for heat produced at low levels of RF radiation. However, higher intensities of RF radiation over a prolonged period of time causes heating that the body may not be able to adequately regulate. Thermal distress or damage could occur.
5. Standards to limit RF radiation hazards are expressed in the form of permissible exposure levels (PEL). A PEL is the exposure level in milliwatts per square centimeter (mW/cm^2) to which an individual may be repeatedly exposed, and which, under the conditions of exposure, will not cause detectable bodily injury regardless of age, gender, or child-bearing status. PELs are used to determine "safe distances" from RF sources beyond which RF radiation hazards will not occur. PELs for human exposure to RF radiation are established by Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers (IEEE) Standard C95.1-1991 (IEEE, 1992). The IEEE standard is recognized as an American National Standard by the American National Standards Institute. The USAF has also established PELs for RF radiation in Air Force Occupational Safety and Health (AFOSH) Standard 48-9. The PELs presented in AFOSH Standard 48-9 are more restrictive than those presented in IEEE Standard C95.1-1991 for the frequencies utilized by the transceivers that will be installed at the CSEL UHF SATCOM Base Stations.
6. The results of this testing and the potential impacts associated with the RF radiation emissions from the UHF SATCOM Base Station transceivers are addressed in Chapter 4.0.

3.3 OTHER POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES EVALUATED

1. With the exception of the potential environmental consequences associated with the uncontrolled venting of the LiSO_2 battery pack and EMR, in the form of RF radiation, from the transceivers at the UHF SATCOM Base Stations, the testing, production, deployment, operation, maintenance, and disposal of the CSEL hardware and infrastructure on a world-wide basis does not have the potential to result in any significant environmental consequences.
2. The production of the CSEL hand-held radios and support equipment will not result in any significant environmental impact as the production of the system components will take place in existing contractor facilities designed and permitted for the fabrication of electronic hardware and the various supporting components. Moreover, these activities will not exceed permit limits. There

are various contractors and sub-contractors involved in the development, manufacturing and integration processes for the CSEL program, with the prime contractor being Boeing.

3. One other potential environmental issue has been evaluated as part of the EA. The chassis of the CSEL hand-held radio is manufactured from a magnesium alloy. Del Mar Casting, which is an existing facilities designed and permitted for the manufacturing of metal components including products using magnesium alloys, will manufacture the CSEL hand-held magnesium alloy chassis. This is considered to be an ongoing, routine process that does not require any additional environmental analysis as part of the CSEL program.

SECTION 4.0

**ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES
AND CUMULATIVE IMPACTS**

4.0 ENVIRONMENTAL CONSEQUENCES AND CUMULATIVE IMPACTS

4.1 INTRODUCTION

1. This chapter describes the potential environmental impacts that could occur under the proposed action and the No Action Alternative.
2. As discussed in Chapter 3.0, there are two issues associated with the CSEL program that require more detailed environmental analysis to determine if they may result in significant environmental impacts: hazardous materials, and EMR as RF radiation. The potential impacts associated with these two issues are addressed in the following sections.

4.1.1 HAZARDOUS MATERIALS

4.1.1.1 Proposed Action

1. The CSEL hand-held radio is powered by a LiSO₂ battery pack. In the event of a uncontrolled venting during field-use, maintenance, storage, and/or disposal, the LiSO₂ battery pack has the potential to emit hot toxic sulfur dioxide vapors. The LiSO₂ battery is considered to have the most significant environmental and safety concerns related to CSEL program. A major part of the Developmental Testing program for the CSEL system is focused on certifying the battery for use by all three DoD services: Army, Navy and Air Force. The testing of the battery is being conducted by Navy Systems Warfare Center at Indianapolis, Indiana.
2. To minimize the potential for uncontrolled venting, the battery pack for the CSEL hand-held radio includes the following two important safety features:
 - A logic circuit that prevents rapid discharge of the battery cells. The logic circuit also controls the Controlled Discharge Device that allows the remaining power of the battery to be discharged to assure safe storage, transport and disposal of expended batteries.
 - The battery pack case has strategically-placed “pressure points” that are designed to guide hot toxic fumes away from the operator in the unlikely event of a venting incident.
3. The Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) for the LiSO₂ battery is provided in Appendix D. As noted in the MSDS, lithium is a flammable solid that will react with water to form flammable hydrogen gas. In the event of a ruptured or uncontrolled venting of the battery, sulfur dioxide gas would be released with the following toxic properties (see Appendix D):

- Route of Entry: Inhalation
 - Effect of Acute Exposure: 10-20 parts per million (ppm) - irritation
100 ppm - dangerous
400 ppm - life threatening
 - Effect of Chronic Exposure: Rhinitis, dry throat and cough
 - Exposure Limits: Below 10 ppm
 - Irritancy: Eyes and respiratory tract
 - Carcinogenicity: Not Applicable (N/A)
 - Teratogenicity: N/A
 - Reproductive Toxicity: N/A
 - Mutagenicity: N/A
 - Synergistic Products: N/A
4. Based on the known toxic properties of sulfur dioxide gas and the effects of acute exposure as noted on the MSDS, the U.S. Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) has set a PEL for sulfur dioxide gas of 5 ppm. The American Conference of Government Industrial Hygienist (ACGIH) sets even a more conservative exposure limit of 2 ppm as a Threshold Limit Value (TLV) for sulfur dioxide gas, which has been adopted as the exposure limit by the USAF.
 5. As part of the Developmental Testing program for the CSEL system, the Navy Systems Warfare Center will develop specific procedures which shall be adopted for the handling, maintenance, storage, transport and disposal of the LiSO₂ batteries. DoD and contractor personnel responsible for maintenance and disposal of the batteries shall be trained on following these procedures.
 6. While exposure to sulfur dioxide gas may occur from a rupture of the battery or from uncontrolled venting of the LiSO₂ batteries used to power the CSEL hand-held radio, adherence to appropriate safety measures being developed as part of the CSEL program during storage, maintenance and disposal of the batteries and, which shall hereby be adopted by this EA, will minimize the potential impact. DoD and contractor personnel involved in the storage, maintenance and/or disposal of the battery shall be required to follow proper means of handling the batteries and the preventative measures in the event of a uncontrolled venting of the battery.
 7. In the event a rupture of the battery or uncontrolled venting in the field during the Developmental Testing, Operational Assessment and Operational Testing, or deployment of the CSEL system, personnel using the hand-held radio shall be instructed to drop the radio and leave the area immediately. In the open environment, exposure to levels of sulfur dioxide gas

in excess of the TLV of 2 ppm can be avoided simply by moving away from the venting battery pack.

8. Based on the above analysis, the LiSO₂ batteries do not result in a significant environmental impact associated with hazardous materials. Adherence to the handling, maintenance and disposal procedures established for the CSEL system will assure that the impacts remain below a level of significance. No specific mitigation measures are required.

4.1.1.2 No Action Alternative

Under the No Action Alternative, the CSEL program would not undergo Developmental Testing, Operational Assessment or Operational Testing, and the system would not be deployed. While the hazardous materials issues associated with the LiSO₂ batteries discussed above would not occur under the No Action Alternative, these impacts are not significant.

4.1.2 ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION

4.1.2.1 Proposed Action

1. The CSEL UHF SATCOM Base Stations include a UHF SATCOM transceiver (AN/WSC-3 [v 9]), which will be installed as part of the program at four existing Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Stations, and two transceivers that will be installed to support the CSEL Operational Assessment program. These transceivers emit low level EMR in the form of RF radiation that has the potential to result in human health and safety risks.
2. To support the CSEL program, the Navy conducted an EMR hazards and electromagnetic compatibility (EMC) study for the proposed installation of the CSEL UHF SATCOM Base Station at the Naval Telecommunications Center and supporting transceivers at Camp Smith, Hawaii (See Appendix E). The EMR hazards study analyzed the hazards of EMR to personnel (HERP) and fuel (HERF). The EMC study analyzed the potential for interference between the CSEL transceiver and existing RF systems at Camp Smith. Hazards of EMR to ordnance (HERO) was not addressed since ordinances are not stored at Camp Smith. In accordance with Section 4.1.2.3, paragraph 5, similar HERP and HERF analyses shall be conducted at the other sites where CSEL UHF SATCOM Base Station equipment will be installed to determine the hazards of EMR at these sites.
3. The CSEL antenna will be fed by an AN/WSC-3 100 watts UHF transceiver. Transmissions will be made on one frequency in the UHF SATCOM uplink band of 290 to 320 MHz and

reception will be on one frequency in the downlink band of 240 to 270 MHz. As summarized in the sections below and as detailed in Appendix E, results of the EMR hazards study show that the proposed CSEL installation will not create HERP or HERF to personnel in accessible areas or fuel storage or handling areas, respectively at Camp Smith, Hawaii.

4.1.2.2 EMR Hazards Criteria

1. HERP from electromagnetic fields is due to the thermal heating of human tissue. DoD HERP exposure limits include a two-tier exposure criteria for controlled and uncontrolled environments.
2. Controlled environments are defined as areas where exposure may be incurred by personnel who are aware of the potential for RF radiation exposures as a result of employment or duties, exposure of individuals who knowingly enter areas where higher RF levels can reasonably be anticipated to exist, and exposure that may occur incidental to transient passage through such areas. PEL for controlled environments is applicable to the roof of Building 4 at Camp Smith and all working areas beneath the roof.
3. Uncontrolled environments are defined as public areas where individuals have no knowledge or control of their exposure. Such areas generally represent living quarters, workplaces, or public areas where personnel would not expect to encounter higher levels of RF radiation. There are stricter limits for these areas. The PEL for uncontrolled environments is applicable to the areas accessible to the general public on the second floor of Building 4 at Camp Smith.
4. HERF is the ignition of fuel vapor by arcing or ignition of fuel in contact with RF radiation heated metal in intense RF fields. The minimum recommended separation distance for shore facilities is 15 meters (50 feet) for communications transmitters radiating 250 watts or less, and 60 meters (200 feet) for transmitters radiating more than 250 watts.

4.1.2.3 EMR Hazard Analysis

1. UHF SATCOM Base Station transceiver data were used by the Navy to calculate separation distances, using the free space propagation formula, between the CSEL antennas and where their RF radiation are equal to the HERP and HERF exposure limits discussed above. See Appendix E for the calculated HERP, HERF, and MIL-STD-461D RS103 separation distances for the CSEL transmissions.

2. Based on the Navy's EMR hazards study conducted for the CSEL program at Camp Smith, Hawaii, due to the height, azimuth, and elevation angle of the UHF SATCOM Base Station antenna at Camp Smith, DoD personnel in working areas of Building 4 below the antenna will not be exposed to levels exceeding the controlled environment PEL. The Navy's EMR hazards study also determined that the general public on the second deck of Building 4 at Camp Smith will not be exposed to levels exceeding the uncontrolled environment PEL.
3. At Camp Smith no fuel handling or storage sites are located within the recommended 50 feet separation distance. The closest fuel related items are two diesel fuel vents on the east side of the Building 4 which would be located 45 feet from the UHF SATCOM Base Station antenna. The calculated HERF separation distance for mainbeam exposure from the system's antenna is 278 feet, but the mainbeam does not illuminate any fuel storage or handling sites.
4. Based on the analysis conducted by the Navy, the proposed CSEL installation is not predicted to cause HERP or HERF issues for personnel or fuel storage in normally accessible areas at Camp Smith (U.S. Navy, 1997). To assure that HERP issues are avoided, the following has been recommended by the Navy at Camp Smith:
 - Post a "KEEP MOVING" RF warning sign at the base of the antenna poles.
 - Advise maintenance personnel to secure the transmitter when work is performed on the antenna or RF cables, or if any other work will be done within 3 feet of the antenna.
5. Similar EMR hazards analyses have not been conducted at this time at the other Navy locations where the operational UHF SATCOM Base Station equipment will be installed (i.e., Norfolk, Virginia; Naples, Italy; and Guam - see Figure 2.2). Similar transceivers will be installed at the other locations, therefore, similar EMR performance standards regarding separation distances shall apply at these locations. In accordance with USAF and Navy procedures, prior to the installation of EMR emitting equipment, such as the AN/WSC-3 transceivers for the CSEL program, the Navy conducts site specific EMR hazards analyses to assure that PEL standards are not exceeded. Therefore, prior to the installation of the AN/WSC-3 transceivers at the operational UHF SATCOM Base Stations to be located at Norfolk, Virginia; Naples, Italy; and Guam the Navy shall conduct site specific EMR hazards analyses. The Navy shall provide the results of these EMR hazards analyses to the USAF.

4.1.2.4 EMR Hazards to Wildlife

1. Similar to EMR hazards to humans, wildlife, particularly birds, may potentially be affected by RF radiation through the heating of tissue. For RF radiation to affect birds, the bird must stay within the RF “beam” long enough for tissue heating to occur. Once the bird flies out of the RF “beam” the exposure to RF radiation ends, and the potential for tissue heating ceases.
2. As noted in the Navy EMR analysis for Camp Smith (see Appendix E), the CSEL program’s AN/WSC-3 transceivers at the UHF SATCOM Base Stations emits low levels of RF radiation. In addition, a bird in flight would be within the RF “beam” for only a very short period of time (i.e., seconds). Therefore, birds would not be affected by the tissue heating property of RF radiation and would not be affected by the CSEL program.

4.1.3 NO ACTION ALTERNATIVE

Under the No Action Alternative, the CSEL program would not undergo Developmental Testing or Operational Assessment, and system would not be deployed. While the RF radiation issues associated with the UHF SATCOM Base Stations would not occur under the No Action Alternative, these impacts are not significant.

4.2 OTHER POTENTIAL ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

1. With the exception of the potential environmental consequences associated with the uncontrolled venting of the LiSO₂ battery pack and the EMR from the CSEL UHF SATCOM Base Station transceivers, the testing, production, deployment, operation, maintenance, and disposal of the CSEL hardware and infrastructure on a worldwide basis does not have the potential to result in environmental consequences.
2. The production of the CSEL hand-held radios and support equipment will not result in any environmental impact as the production of the system components will take place in existing contractor facilities designed and permitted for the fabrication of electronic hardware and the various supporting components. There are various contractors and sub-contractors involved in the development, manufacturing and integration processes for the CSEL program, with the prime contractor being Boeing.

3. The chassis of the CSEL hand-held radio is manufacture from an magnesium alloy. As Del Mar Casting is an existing facilities designed and permitted for the manufacture of metal components, including manufacturing products using magnesium alloys, the manufacturing of the CSEL hand-held radio magnesium alloy chassis is considered to be an ongoing, routine process that does not require additional environmental analysis as part of the CSEL program.

SECTION 5.0
REGULATORY REVIEW AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

5.0 REGULATORY REVIEW AND PERMIT REQUIREMENTS

5.1 INTRODUCTION

1. As discussed in Chapter 3.0, the Developmental Testing, and Operational Assessment and Operational Testing of the CSEL system will be conducted at existing DoD and government contractor facilities which are permitting for performing this type of function, and whose ongoing missions including the testing and analysis of electronic equipment and systems. Therefore, the testing and assessment of the CSEL system is considered to be part of the baseline environmental conditions at the facility and no additional regulatory review or permits are required.
2. Similarly, the production of CSEL system components (i.e., hand-held radios and support equipment) will take place in existing contractor facilities designed and permitted for the fabrication of electronic hardware. Therefore, the production of the CSEL components is considered to be part of the baseline environmental conditions at the facilities and no additional regulatory review or permits are required.
3. The deployment, operation, maintenance and disposal of the CSEL system worldwide is considered to be part of the continuing improvement and evaluation of DoD electronic systems. With the exception of EMR PELs established by AFOSH standard 48-9 and EMR separation standards established by MIL-STD-461D RS103, these are no additional specific regulatory review or permits required.

SECTION 6.0

**PERSONS AND ORGANIZATIONS CONSULTED OR
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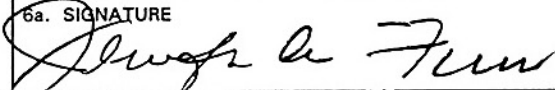
APPENDIX A

REQUEST FOR ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ANALYSIS

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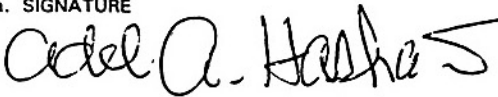
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SECTION I - PROPONENT INFORMATION

1. TO (Environmental Planning Function) SMC/CEV	2. FROM (Proponent organization and functional address symbol) SMC/CZJ	2a. TELEPHONE NO. (310) 363-6922
3. TITLE OF PROPOSED ACTION Produce 35 Combat Survivor Evader Locator Survival (CSEL) EMD radios and associated equipment for Operational Assessment		
4. PURPOSE AND NEED FOR ACTION (Identify decision to be made and need date) Verify design, validate performance and assess operational effectiveness and suitability of the CSEL system in support of 1 Sep 97 Production Decision (See Attachment)		
5. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED ACTION AND ALTERNATIVES (DOPAA) (Provide sufficient details for evaluation of the total action.) See Attachment		
6. PROPONENT APPROVAL (Name and Grade) JENNIFER A. FURRU, Maj, USAF	6a. SIGNATURE 	6b. DATE 19 May 97

SECTION II - PRELIMINARY ENVIRONMENTAL SURVEY. (Check appropriate box and describe potential environmental effects including cumulative effects.) (+ = positive effect; 0 = no effect; - = adverse effect; U = unknown effect)	+	0	-	U
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8. AIR QUALITY (Emissions, attainment status, state implementation plan, etc.)				
9. WATER RESOURCES (Quality, quantity, source, etc.)				
10. SAFETY AND OCCUPATIONAL HEALTH (Asbestos/radiation/chemical exposure, explosives safety quantity-distance, etc.)				
11. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS/WASTE (Use/storage/generation, solid waste, etc.)				
12. BIOLOGICAL RESOURCES (Wetlands/floodplains, flora, fauna, etc.)				
13. CULTURAL RESOURCES (Native American burial sites, archaeological, historical, etc.)				
14. GEOLOGY AND SOILS (Topography, minerals, geothermal, Installation Restoration Program, seismicity, etc.)				
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SECTION III - ENVIRONMENTAL ANALYSIS DETERMINATION

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18. REMARKS		
19. ENVIRONMENTAL PLANNING FUNCTION CERTIFICATION (Name and Grade) ADEL A. HASHAD, GS-13 Environmental Management Division	19a. SIGNATURE 	19b. DATE 5/19/97

4.0 PURPOSE AND NEED FOR ACTION

The Department of Defense currently relies on the PRC-90 and the PRC-112 for the search and rescue of downed pilots and other isolated personnel. The design of these devices is 15-30 years old. They exhibit key shortcomings that are easily overcome by current technology. Events in Bosnia, specifically the downing of Capt. Scott O'Grady in May of 1995, highlighted the urgent need to overcome these deficiencies. The Joint Requirements Oversight Council (JROC) approved the CSEL mission need statement (MNS) in January 1992 as a result of lessons learned in Desert Storm. CSEL Milestone 0 approval was given by USD(Acq) on 17 Aug 92.

The Joint DoD CSEL program completed the Concept Exploration and Definition (CED) Phase in FY94. This phase included: contracted and in-house concept studies, which developed a variety of alternative solutions for the CSEL Cost and Operational Effectiveness Analysis (COEA); survey of commercial communication capabilities; development and approval of an Operational Requirements Document; development of a CSEL Operations Concept; selection of a proposed concept for further development and demonstration; formulation of a proposed implementation plan; and development of the detailed plan for demonstrating and defining the system and segment requirements for the proposed CSEL concept.

Approval to move CSEL into the next phase was not pursued due to the high cost of potential solutions.

Events in Bosnia, specifically the downing of Capt. Scott O'Grady in May 1995, resulted in ACC issuing a Combat MNS for an intern survivor radio system known as the "Hook-112" to meet this immediate need. A total of 1008 radios will be procured in 1996 through a contract with Motorola (508 for the Air Force and 500 for the Navy). To rapidly develop the Hook-112, a PRC-112 (the standard issue survival radio) was modified by integrating a commercial GPS receiver and a two-way digital messaging capability. While it is larger than the current PRC-112, the Hook is more reliable and is capable of data burst location communication. It also has improved ranging capability, but is not interoperable with the combat search and rescue (CSAR) infrastructure. Furthermore, commercial GPS receivers are susceptible to jamming and spoofing in certain hostile threat environments which a downed combat pilot may encounter.

Program Budget Decision (PBD) #228, based on a 21 Sep 95 memorandum between the Secretary of Defense and the Director, Central Intelligence, directed the development and procurement of an improved CSAR radio that fulfills the CSEL MNS as validated by the JROC. The PBD provided for the procurement of CSEL radios beginning 18 months after the award of an EMD contract. Radio deliveries for all services will begin at 500 in FY98 and ramp up to 8000 in FY00 for a total of 27000 units by FY02.

In order to ensure the operational suitability and effectiveness of the CSEL system before deployment in FY98, Developmental Testing and an Operational Assessment will be conducted between 1 July and 30 August 97 using 35 production representative EMD radios. The results of these tests will be used to fine-tune the system design and to support the production decision in September 97.

5.0 DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED ACTION AND ALTERNATIVES (DOPAA)

5.1 INTRODUCTION

This DOPAA will provide an accurate description of the CSEL system and a description of the proposed action namely the design, development and fabrication of thirty-five EMD radios, two UHF SATCOM Base Stations, six CSEL Handheld Radio Loader/Adapters, four Joint Search and Rescue Centers and the developmental tests and Operational Assessment to be conducted on the system. The DOPAA concludes with a brief analysis of several alternatives to the proposed action.

5.2 SYSTEM DESCRIPTION

The Combat Survivor/Evader Locator (CSEL) System provides global over-the-horizon (OTH) data communications, line of sight (LOS) voice communications, and precise GPS positioning capabilities for Department of Defense (DoD) warfighters when they are confronted with survival and/or evasion scenarios in peacetime and conflict situations. It is composed of three segments: User Equipment, Over-the-Horizon (OTH) Relay, and Ground. Figure 1 shows the CSEL System architecture.

5.2.1 OTH Relay Segment

The OTH Relay segment includes two Satellite Communication (SATCOM) systems to provide total Earth coverage. These two systems are the Ultra High Frequency (UHF) SATCOM (UHFSATCOM) and Search & Rescue Satellite Assisted Tracking (SARSAT). These OTH systems operate in the UHF or near-UHF frequency band of 225 to 406.025 MHz, and jointly provide continuous world-wide (70N to 70S latitude) OTH coverage.

5.2.1.1 UHFSATCOM

The UHFSATCOM relay mode supports 2-way messaging/geolocation between the survivor/evader (S/E) with hand held radio (HHR) and a UHFSATCOM Base Station (UBS) using a UHFSATCOM 5 kHz channel.

In order to avoid collisions between multiple S/Es that might send messages simultaneously, CSEL employs a time division multiple access (TDMA) format. This format allows CSEL to share the UHFSATCOM channel with other users of this asset. This channel-sharing scheme is

compatible with the DoD-mandated Demand Assigned Multiple Access (DAMA) protocols that govern the use of UHFSATCOM channels and is referred to as the DAMA-C format.

The DAMA-C format utilizes the first 0.699 seconds of the full 1.387 second DAMA frame. CSEL schedules users requesting access by assigning each user a slot in which only that user can transmit. Each scheduled slot is further divided into three segments: one in which unscheduled HHR transmissions can be sent (refer to next paragraph), one for the UBS to transmit to the HHR assigned that slot, and one in which the S/E scheduled in that slot transmits.

The scheduling of this TDMA format is controlled by the UBS which requires input from a DAMA controller (Further described below). Once a S/E has requested access by sending an unscheduled transmission, the S/E is assigned a sub-frame in which all further scheduled transmissions would be made. An internal clock in the HHR ensures that it stays synchronized to DAMA time via a mode message that is continuously broadcast by the UBS. The DAMA-C protocol accommodates approximately 100 users simultaneously in each UHFSATCOM area of coverage. Each user is guaranteed one scheduled slot per half-hour.

5.2.1.1.1 The UHFSATCOM Base Station (UBS)

UBS equipment, illustrated in Figure 2, is installed in four geographic locations throughout the world. UBSs provide connectivity to UHFSATCOM satellites located at approximately 100° West, 23° West, 72° East, and 172° East Longitude. The four UBSs will be collocated at existing Naval Computer and Telecommunications Area Master Station (NCTAMS) facilities. They receive and transmit CSEL encrypted messages that are relayed to/from users via the UHFSATCOM satellites.

The CSEL UBS equipment consists of a UHFSATCOM transceiver (AN/WSC-3 (v 9)), a rack-mounted Pentium computer with custom UHFSATCOM signal processing software, routing database and messaging software that delivers messages back and forth to the appropriate Joint Search and Rescue Center (JSRC). The computer performs the UHFSATCOM command and control functions and executes the messaging software. The encrypted CSEL data is transmitted at 300 bps, appended with a cyclic redundancy coding (CRC) tail for error detection, and BPSK modulated. The UBS hardware and software is configured in two duplicated racks with one acting as a primary and the other as a hot backup to provide redundancy. CSEL communications data is encrypted to provide data security with a unique primary and backup encryption key provided to each user.

5.2.1.2 SARSAT

The SARSAT mode operates over the international SARSAT/COSPAS Low Earth Orbit (LEO) satellite system and is intended for emergency coverage above 70° latitudes where UHFSATCOM and National Asset coverage may be lacking. Unencrypted CSEL transmissions via SARSAT are received at the U.S. Mission Control Center, processed, and forwarded to a CONUS UBS for routing to the JSRC. Either data or Doppler location modes are supported on SARSAT. There are no timing constraints on the SARSAT transmissions at 406.025 MHz.

5.2.1.3 Commercial System Growth

The CSEL System architecture is designed for future growth to include a commercial satellite link, when available. Commercial satellite communication services allow CSEL to become independent of the heavily-subscribed UHFSATCOM satellites. The system does not currently accommodate commercial satellite services.

5.2.2 The Ground Segment

The CSEL ground segment is composed of CSEL data receiving, display, and dissemination capabilities in the JSRCs. The existing/evolving Defense Information System Network (DISN) interconnects the four UBSs with the world-wide network of JSRCs. The JSRC is the hub of the CSEL system from a command and control perspective, performing data distribution and information flow to search and rescue personnel. The JSRC display provides the capability to read incoming messages received from the HHR. The incoming message will provide the S/E ID authentication, location, status, time of message transmission, time of last GPS fix, time of message receipt, data type, frequency, and the OTH asset in use to the JSRC operator. CSEL software for the JSRCs will be hosted on SUN, HP, or PC workstations running the Defense Information Infrastructure Common Operating Environment (DII COE).

5.2.3 User Equipment Segment

The User Equipment segment consists of HHRs provided to Department of Defense (DoD) personnel who may be faced with a survival or evasion situation, CSEL Planning Computers (CPCs) to load mission specific information into the HHR prior to a mission, and HHR Loader/Adapters (HLAs) that serve as an interface between the CPC and the HHR.

5.2.3.1 The Hand Held Receiver (HHR)

The 28 ounce HHR chassis includes a P(Y)-code GPS receiver, a VHF/UHF LOS 2-way unencrypted voice transceiver, VHF/UHF rescue beacons, a 2-way secure OTH data transceiver and a SARSAT compatible rescue beacon. The lithium sulfur dioxide (LiSO₂) battery pack provides longer battery life over a wider temperature range than conventional alkaline batteries. The HHR is a software reprogrammable design that meets ease of use requirements. Messages from the HHR is a software reprogrammable design that meets ease of use requirements. Messages from the HHR contain a precise Y-Code GPS position, S/E situation information, authentication of the user's identity, and can contain freeform text information to support user authentication prior to initiating the rescue operation and/or provide commands/information to the S/E from

a JSRC to assist in evasion. Figure 3 illustrates the modular construction of the HHR. The chassis assembly houses the following plug-in modules:

- (1) The controller module serves as the central control element of the HHR, interfacing with the user keypad, switches, display and other subsystem modules. Additionally, the module provides DC power regulation/control, data processing, and data encryption.
- (2) The single integrated VHF/UHF transceiver module performs all LOS voice and standard OTH communications functions.
- (3) The L1/L2 GPS receiver module provides PPS location and navigation capability to the S/E. The receiver uses an all-in-view search routine for maximum precision. It is also capable of Direct-Y acquisition of the Y-code.

The highly modular HHR design allows for inexpensive upgrades. In such upgrade might be a replacement module for the VHF/UHF card that would support use of commercial satellite communications systems.

5.2.3.2 HHR Support Equipment

Support equipment necessary to operate the CSEL HHR is minimal. The CPC and HLA, shown in Figure 4, provide the data interface for loading all mission data. These include UHF/VHF operational frequencies, communication cryptographic keys, escape/evasion routes, safe zone coordinates, canned messages, precise time, GPS almanac/ephemerides, GPS cryptographic keys, and other pertinent information.

5.2.3.3 HHR Main and Back-Up Battery

The CSEL HHR main battery pack contains four “half-D” LiSO₂ cells to provide operations at – 40 °C. The battery pack is designed with personnel and environmental safety concerns keenly in mind. The pack includes a logic circuit that prevents rapid discharge of the battery cells (which has been shown to cause violent venting). This logic circuit also includes the Controlled Discharge Device which ensures safe storage, transport and disposal of expended batteries. In addition, the case has strategically-placed “pressure points” that are designed to guide hot toxic fumes away from the operator in the unlikely event of a venting incident.

LiSO₂ chemistry is expected to be the most significant environmental and safety concern related to CSEL. For this reason, a major part of the proposed developmental testing is focused on certifying the battery for use by all three services – Army, Navy and Air Force.

The CSEL HHR also contains a back-up coin-cell battery that is used to keep parts of the volatile memory alive when the HHR battery is removed. The battery used for this back-up function is a

CR1620 battery with considerably less environmental obstacles. It is a commercially available coin-cell battery that can be handled like any other commercially-available lithium battery.

5.3 DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPOSED ACTION

5.3.1 Production of 35 EMD Radios and Support Equipment

In order to support testing, the contractor will design, develop and fabricate 30 EMD HHRs and 6 HLAs for delivery to the government. 5 additional HHRs will be built and used by the contractor for their own testing. In addition to HHRs and HLAs, the contractor will deliver to the government four Sun Ultra workstations loaded with the CSEL JSRC software, CPC software to be loaded on GFE Pentium computers and four racks of UBS equipment. Each rack includes the following major components:

AN-WSC3 (v9) SATCOM radio
Pentium Computer with peripherals
Power supply module
CSEL-unique signal processing cards
GPS receiver card
Reference HHR (one per two UBS racks)

The production of the equipment should pose no significant environmental concerns. BOEING, North American (BNA) is the prime contractor and there are several sub-contractors involved in the development, manufacturing and integration processes:

Final assembly of HHR	BNA, El Paso, TX
Manufacture of HHR VHF/UHF Module	Racal Instruments, Rockville, MD
Manufacture of HHR Controller Module	BNA, El Paso, TX
Manufacture of HHR GPS Module	Rockwell Collins, Coralville, IA
Design of HHR GPS Module	Rockwell Collins, Cedar Rapids, IA
Manufacture of HHR Magnesium alloy chassis	Del Mar Casting, Gardena, CA
Final assembly of HHR Battery Pack	Blue Star, Inc., Surey, BC
Manufacture of LiSO ₂ cells	Blue Star, Inc., Surey, BC
Manufacture of plastic battery cases	Blue Star, Inc., Surey, BC
Final assembly of UBS	BNA, Anaheim, Ca
Manufacture of UBS signal processing H/W	BNA, El Paso, TX
Development of UBS source code	BNA, Anaheim, Ca
Final assembly of JSRC	BNA, Anaheim, Ca
Development of JSRC source code	BNA, Anaheim, Ca
Final assembly of HLAs	BNA, El Paso, TX
Development of CPC source code	BNA, Anaheim, Ca

Other vendors are involved as parts suppliers to the vendors listed. They are omitted from this analysis.

There are two areas where further analysis on environmental impacts might be appropriate: manufacture of the Magnesium alloy chassis, and the manufacture, handling, delivery and disposal of the LiSO₂ battery cells. Attachment A (provided at a later date) is a System Safety Analysis done by Del Mar Casting, the company that makes the chassis, demonstrating that the company implements policies and procedures to mitigate the minor risks of working with Magnesium alloys. A similar analysis has been done by Blue Star, and is included in Attachment B (provided at a later date). Other environmental issues that may arise from chemicals and procedures employed in the manufacturing process have been analyzed by the manufacturing contractor, Boeing North American, El Paso facility. A description of their industry-standard safety guideline is included as Appendix C (provided at a later date).

5.3.2 Developmental Testing

Developmental Testing (DT) will be performed to validate system performance at specification requirements. DT is performed by trained test personnel from BNA. Combined Testing (CT) is performed at several government test centers, including: EPG, Holloman AFB, and NSWC to supplement DT and provide initial operational environment performance data. In addition, Acceptance Testing, and Qualification Testing will be performed by BNA, El Paso prior to the delivery of development and production radios to the government.

5.3.2.1 Army Electronic Proving Grounds (EPG), Ft Huachuca, AZ

EPG will perform testing on the HHR radiated transmissions to test radiated power, link margin and bit error rates (BER). Software in the HHR, CPC, JSRC and UBS will be tested for ease of use. Regression analysis will also be run on the software. In addition, the Joint Interoperability Test Center (JITC), a tenant of EPG, will certify frequency interoperability of CSEL.

5.3.2.2 746th Test Squadron, Holloman AFB, NM

The 746th is the Responsible Test Organization (RTO) for all CSEL DT. In addition to administering the integrated (government/contractor) DT plan, the 746th will conduct all GPS-related testing and acceleration survivability testing.

5.3.2.3 Navy Systems Warfare Center (NSWC), Indianapolis, IN

The NSWC is in charge of safety certification testing for the Lithium battery. They will perform exhaustive tests to determine the battery's ability to withstand extreme conditions in the hands of operators. This certification program will include tri-service requirements for battery safety.

5.3.2.4 Boeing North American (BNA) and associated Sub-Contractors

Testing at the component, module, and system level is on-going at the contractor sites throughout the development process. The Government is invited to witness these tests in order to minimize redundancy in the test program. Contractor DT maximizes the use of brassboards, workbench prototypes, analysis and simulation. In addition to DT, the contractors are involved in formal Qualification Testing and Acceptance Testing to show compliance with end item specification parameters.

5.3.3 Operational Assessment (OA)

The OA will be conducted by the Air Force Test & Evaluation Center (AFOTEC), Kirtland AFB, NM. As the responsibility agency for Operational Test (OT) of the CSEL system, AFOTEC will coordinate resources, tri-service participation in the OA, locations of test events, test objectives and pass/fail criteria. As discussed earlier, one of the prime directives in OT is to conduct an independent assessment of the system that represents the perspective of the warfighter. Consequently, all testing is conducted with “operators” instead of engineers, contractors and program managers. These individuals may or may not have been trained in the proper handling and disposal of hazardous materials warnings, this lack of training is not expected to have an impact on the safety of the individuals involved with testing.

5.3.3.1 Operational Scenarios

The OA will consist of three scenarios that will be executed multiple times to get an accurate characterization of the system’s effectiveness and operational suitability. CSEL test scenarios will be based on actual mission conduct. Variations in the mission scenarios for differing environmental conditions (such as darkness, foliage, terrain, precipitation, low temperatures, water, etc.) will be accounted for in the respective detailed test procedures. The CSAR mission scenarios will include ground team extraction, SAR Task Force (SARTF) extraction, and opportunity SAR scenarios. These three scenarios will be the basis for all test events conducted during dedicated operational testing. Testing events will use operational personnel in Alaska, Washington and Hawaii. No dedicated range support is required. The three scenarios will be used at each location.

These scenarios were specifically designed to represent the operating environment that is envisioned for the system. They are briefly described below:

Scenario 1:a. Scenario 1: Ground Team Extraction Scenario Description. This CSAR mission is to extract aircrew members shot down over hostile territory. CSAR activity will be conducted behind the Forward Edge of the Battle Area (FEBA) in a simulated high threat environment. Direct threats to CSAR force elements include Surface-to-Air Missiles (SAM0, anti-aircraft artillery (AAA), and small arms fire from enemy troop concentrations. Collateral threats include communications radio monitoring and direction finding to locate communications emissions. This threat environment prevents standard helicopter extraction. For AFOTEC’s evaluation, a Combat Rescue Extraction Training Exercise (CRETE) will be conducted. The simulated survivors will initiate the CRETE by transmitting a “notification” message from the HHR through CSEL OTH communications assets to the UBS. The UBS routes the S/E information to the appropriate JSRC. The JSRC identifies and locates the S/Es and relays the S/E ID, status and location information to the local Rescue Control Center (RCC); this coordination takes place outside of the CSEL system. The JSRC transmits an authentication query back through the UBS back to the S/E’s HHR. The S/E responds with the requested information back over the path described above. The JSRC then directs the S/Es to link up with each other at a designated location. The local RCC dispatches a four-man parajumper (PJ) team who are airdropped by a

CSAR C-130 to infiltrate into the Designated Area of Recovery (DAR). This team proceeds to a pre-designated pick-up point. Once the survivors notify the JSRC that they are linked up, the JSRC directs them to navigate to the pick-up point. At the pick-up point, the survivors will authenticate via OTH assets or by LOS voice when directed by the PJ team members. The PJ team requests extraction by helicopter through the C-130, now serving as the Airborne Mission Commander (AMC). The AMC directs pick-up and a simulated pick-up is executed. Figure 1-4 summarizes this scenario.

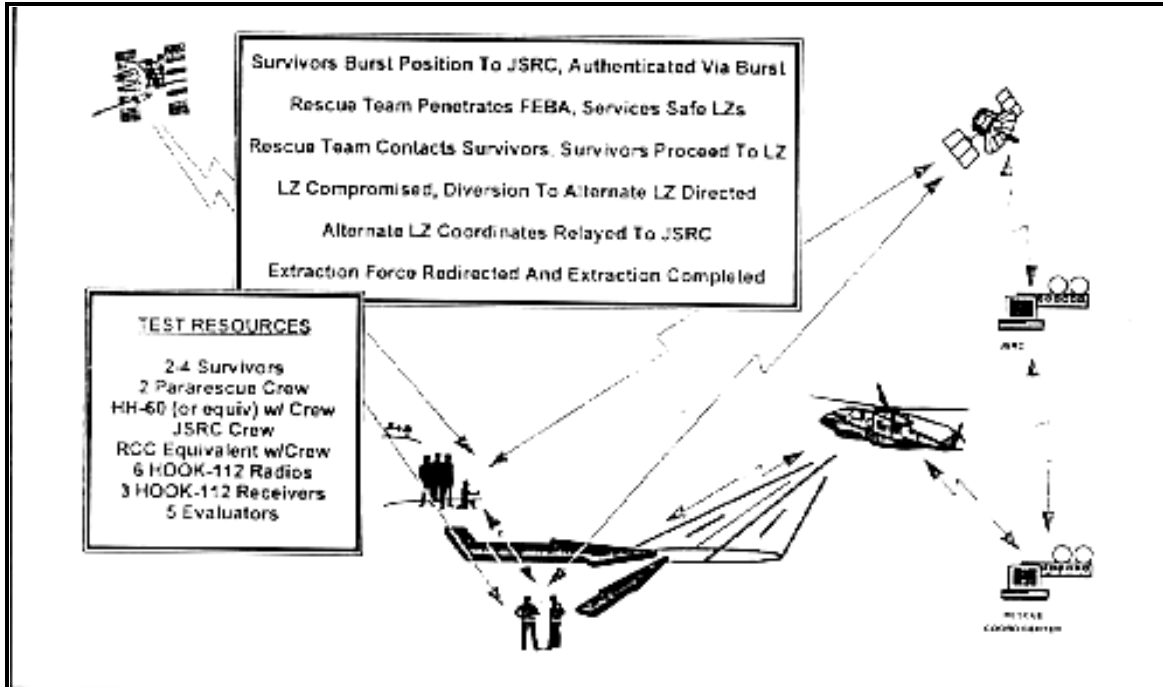


Figure 1-4: CSEL OA Ground Extraction Scenario

Scenario 2: b. Scenario 2: SAR Task Force Scenario Description. The CSAR mission is to extract two crew members shot down over hostile territory. A SAR Task Force (SARTF) is assembled from the operation from available force elements. CSAR activity will be conducted in a high threat environment. The two crew members successfully eject and land approximately one mile apart behind hostile lines. Each S/E initiates CSAR activities by communicating a “notification” message through the CSEL OTH communications assets to the JSRC. One of the S/Es indicates an injured, cannot move status. Following “authentication”, the JSRC notifies the local RCC of the situation; the RCC directs an OA-10 Airborne Forward Air Controller (SANDY) to assume the On-Scene Commander (OSC) role. The JSRC directs the uninjured airman to evade to the GPS coordinates relayed by the injured crew member. The evading S/E provides periodic position and status updates via OTH data communications to the JSRC, who in turn relays the information to the RCC. As the evading S/E arrives in the vicinity of the injured survivor, the OA-10 directs a CSAR HH-60G to execute pick-up. During ingress, the HH-60G establishes LOS voice communications with the linked survivors, authenticates, and extracts them from hostile territory. The HH-60G reports to the OA-10 and RCC when clear of hostile territory. Figure 1-5 summarizes this scenario.

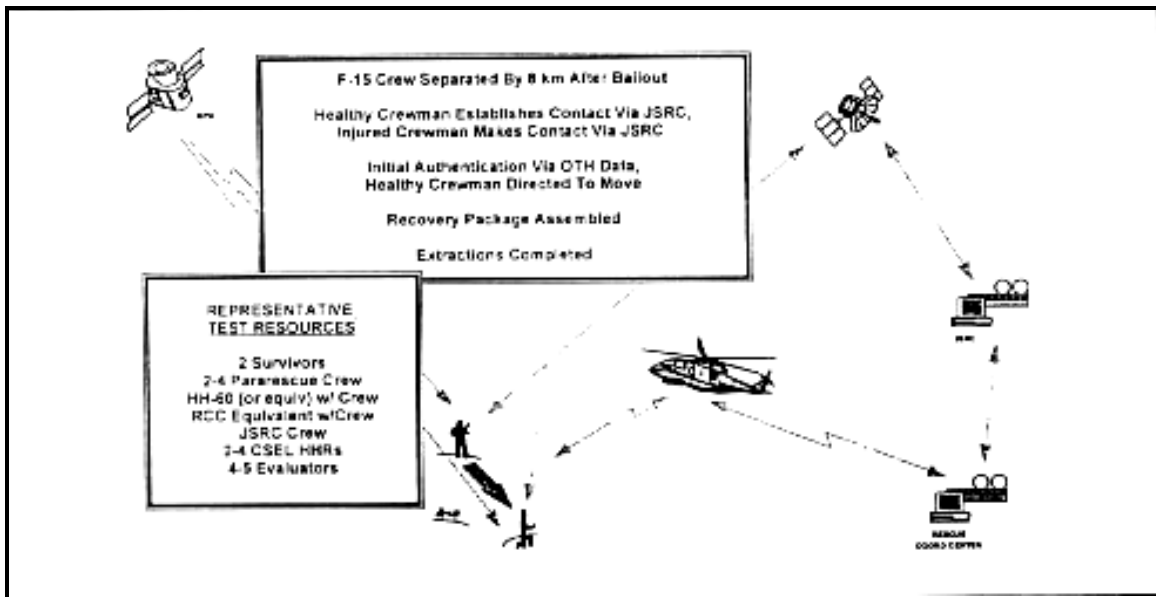


Figure 1-5: CSEL OA SAR Task Force Scenario

Scenario 3: c. Scenario 3: Opportunity SAR Scenario Description. The CSAR mission is to extract two crew members from a ground or water environment. Each survivor initiates CSAR activities by communicating a “notification” message through the CSEL OTH communications assets to the JSRC, which locates and authenticates each survivor. The JSRC tasks the local

RCC to initiate extraction of the S/E's and a CSAR helicopter is vectored to each S/E location. The helicopter ingress's, locates, and authenticates the survivors, and executes the pick-up. Figure 1-6 summarizes this scenario.

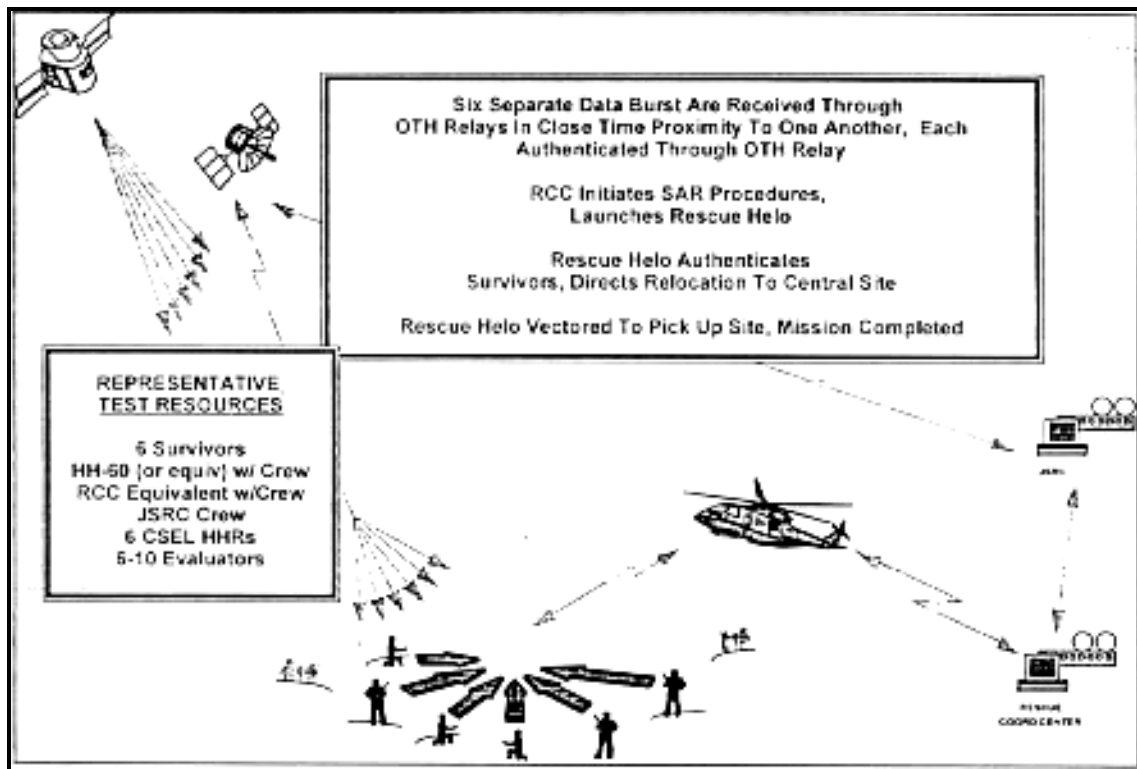


Figure 1-6: CSEL OA Opportunity SAR Scenario

5.3.3.2 Locations

Scope. The combined and dedicated portion of the CSEL system OA will be conducted in several locations. Most of the data collected for assessment during the OA will come from either combined testing or dedicated operational testing in the field. Development test data will include data from battery safety tests and HHR environmental tests. The majority of combined testing will be conducted at the Army's Electronic Proving Ground at Ft Huachuca, AZ. Data on jamming, spoofing, data communications LPI/LPD, and GPS accuracy/time to fix will only be collected during combined testing. Other assessment areas will be addressed in both combined and dedicated field testing. Operational scenarios will be conducted at several locations to adequately exercise the OTH capabilities of the system. OA sites include Ft Richardson, AK; Pt Barrow, AK; Camp Smith, HI; Fairchild AFB, WA; Anaheim, Ca and the USS Lincoln. There will be 4 JSRC sites, 2 UBS sites and at least 18 HHRs involved in the field testing. Modeling and simulation will be used to assess the system coverage measures for OTH communications and GPS coverage.

Operators will be located at various sites around the United States, including Hawaii and Alaska. They will be comprised of Rescue Center operators, UBS maintainer/operators, HHR users (mock survivors), and CPC operators.

JSRC operators will be located in four locations: Ft. Belvoir, VA; Ft Richardson, AK; Pacific Rescue Coordination Center (PRCC), Honolulu, HI; and aboard the USS Tarawa (anticipated to be off the coast of San Diego during OA).

Two UBS racks will be installed for the OA.. One will be at Camp Smith, HI and one will be at EPG, Ft Huachuca, AZ. A third UBS will be installed at the BNA plant in Anaheim, CA. This UBS will be manned by BNA engineers.

Finally, survivors and CPC operators will be dispersed over multiple locations, including Kirtland AFB, NM, Nellis AFB, NV, Ft Richardson, AK, Camp Smith, HI, Ft Huachuca, AZ, Pt Barrow, AK, and Fairchild AFB, WA.

5.4 DESCRIPTION OF ALTERNATIVES TO THE PROPOSED ACTION

5.4.1 Test Battery With Safer Chemistry and Lower Capability

Since the LiSO₂ battery is one of the few aspects of the CSEL program where an environmental consideration exists, one alternative approach is to find ways to use other (more inert) batteries to the extent possible. The LiSO₂ battery is one of the few batteries capable of meeting CSEL's demanding performance requirements (21 days battery life at 25 deg C and 3 days battery life at - 40 deg C). It may be possible, however, to conduct much of the testing using an alternate battery chemistry.

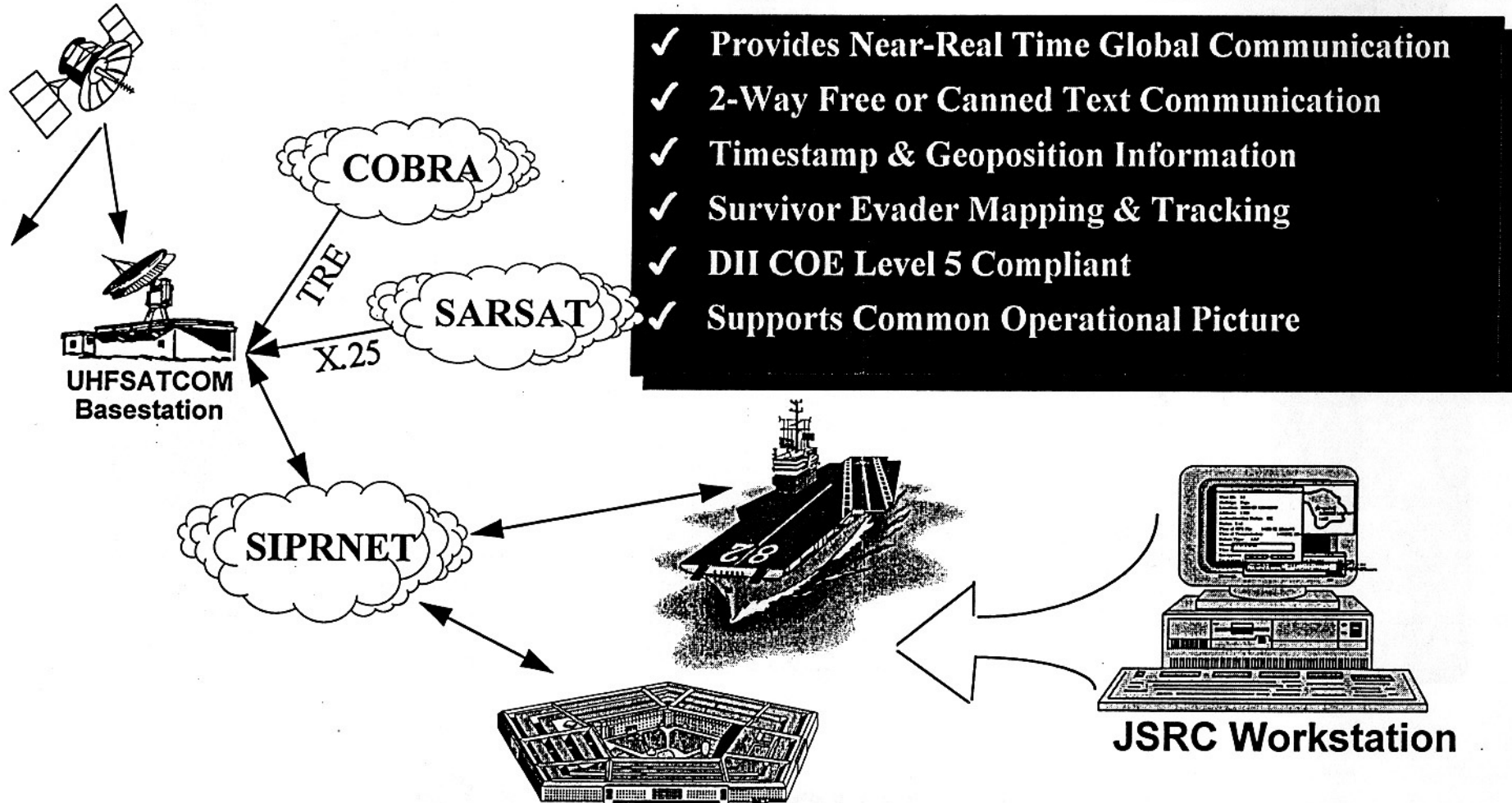
This option has been avoided due to the impact it would have on the schedule, cost and technical performance of the CSEL system. Each battery that is developed for CSEL must be designed and tested, and then certified by government agencies before it can be employed with the sys. This process takes more advanced planning than can be afforded on CSEL's short schedule. Furthermore, a parallel battery development will have a tremendous impact on the cost of the program (for the same reasons). Finally, it is difficult to find an alternate battery chemistry that provides the peak power required for the HHR to transmit an 8 watt signal that can be heard by a satellite. This pack would prevent the testing of link margins, extreme temperature operation, and other key performance parameters.

5.4.2 "Do Nothing" Alternative

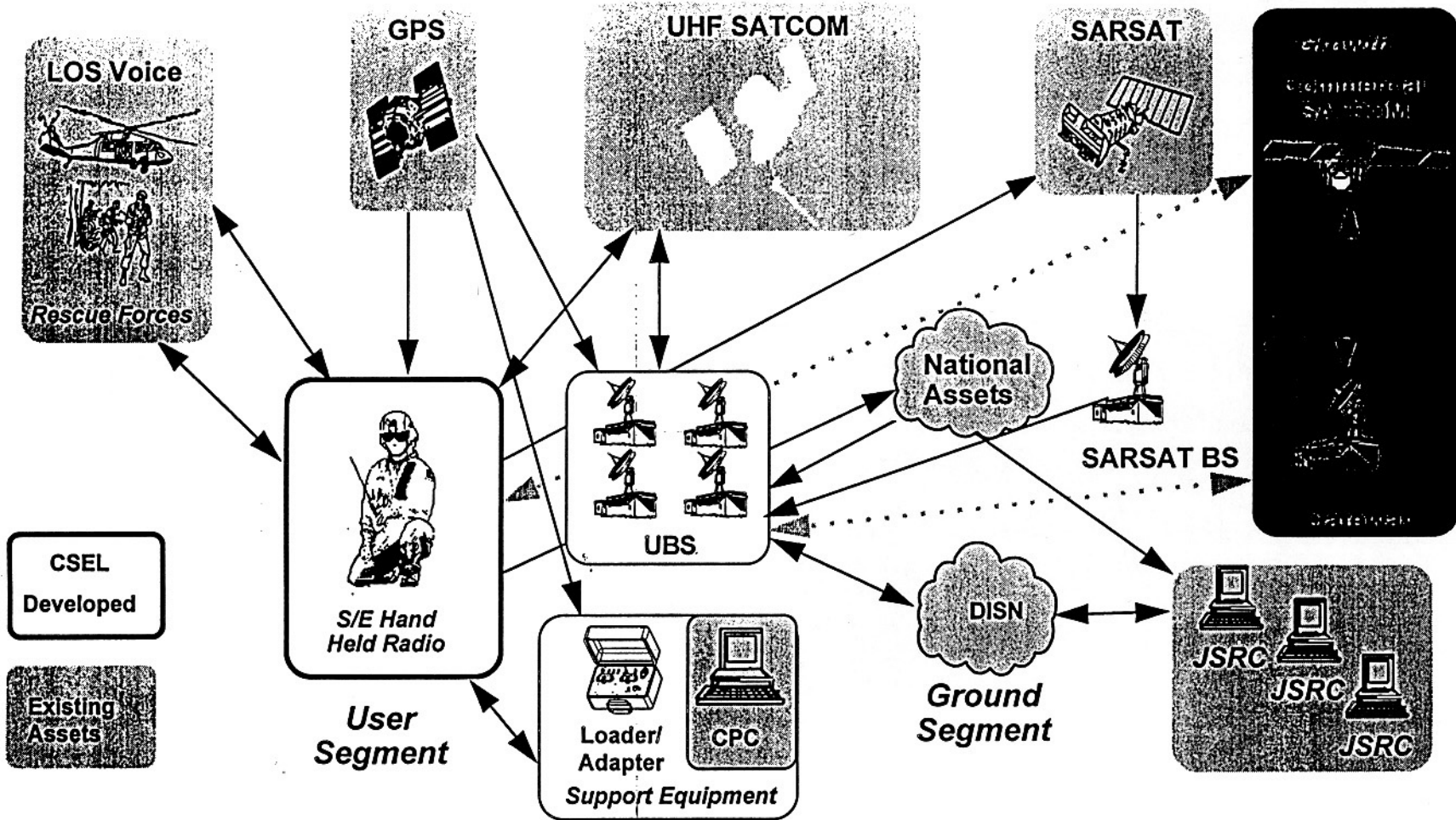
This option would result in the termination of the CSEL Program efforts and the loss of all program efforts to date which is an unacceptable solution.



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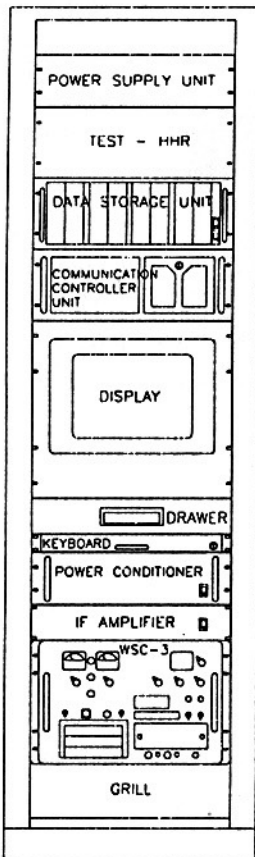


System Architecture





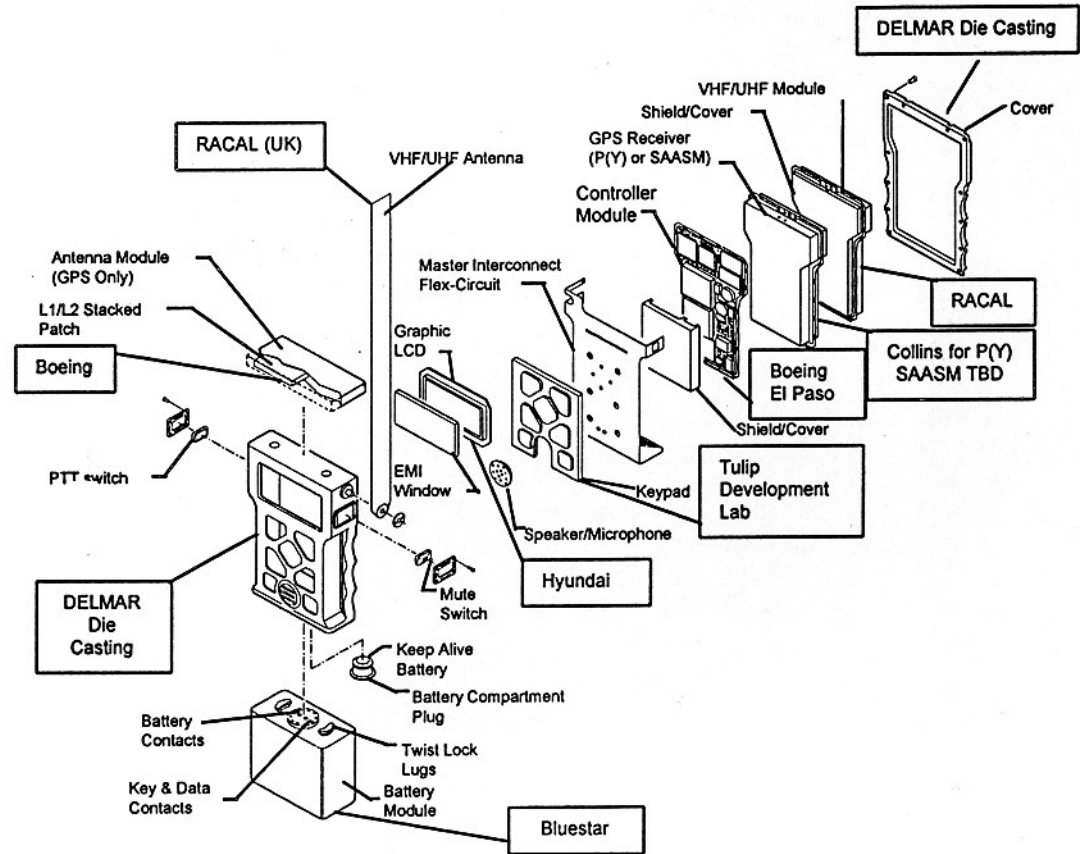
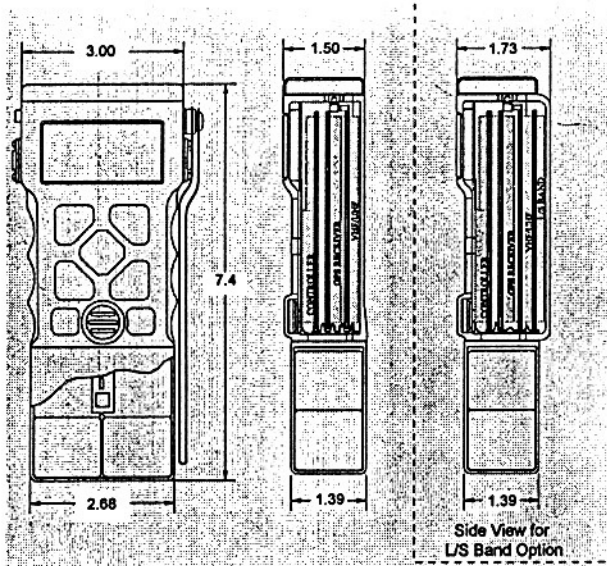
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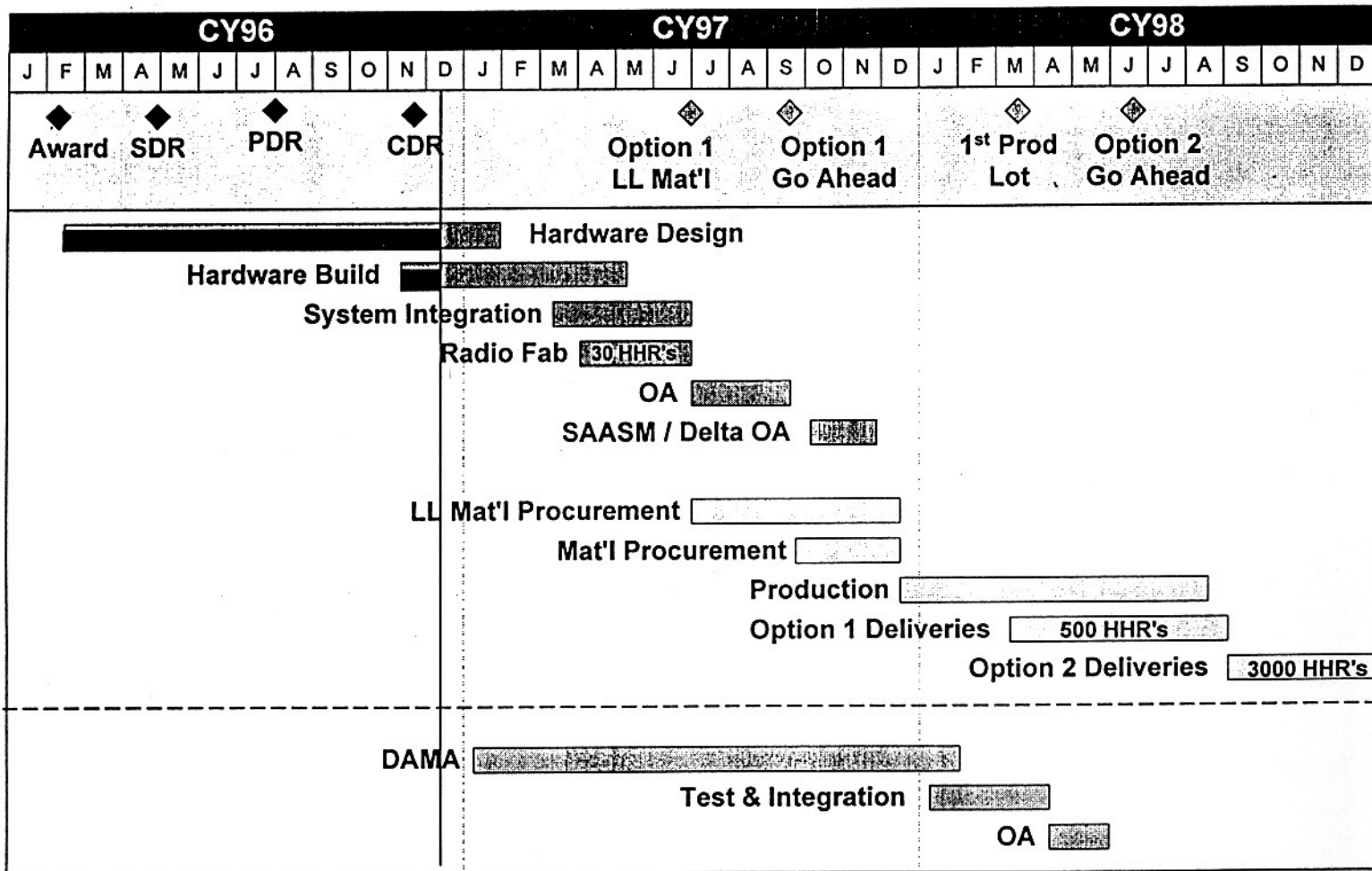
- ✓ Four Government Facilities Worldwide
- ✓ 2-Way UHFSATCOM Messaging With Radio
- ✓ Hub for All OTH Communications
- ✓ Evader Message Router To/From JSRCs
- ✓ Dual Redundancy for High Availability
- ✓ Maximum Utilization of COTS/GOTS Equipment
 - Standard Rack Architecture
 - UHF WSC-3(V)9 Transceivers
 - UHFSATCOM/GPS Antennas
 - COTS PC and Misc Equipment
- ✓ Software Digital Signal Processing
- ✓ Embedded NSA Endorsed COMSEC
- ✓ Red/Black Isolation for SIPRNET Interface



Modular HHR Design



Current CSEL Schedule



Boeing North American
Autonetics & Missile Systems Division

APPENDIX B

AIR FORCE FORM 813

WOODLAND COUGAR 1997 – PERSONNEL RECOVERY EXERCISE

BACKGROUND PAPER
ON
WOODLAND COUGAR '97 PLANS

This paper discusses the current plans for Personnel Recovery (PR) exercise WOODLAND COUGAR '97 (WC97). Details of the exercise scenario, operation plans, specific exercise events, and participating units are identified. The paper concludes with a risk assessment of the current WC97 plans and recommended plans of action to reduce risks associated with this PR exercise.

WC97 Scenario

- Emulates a Korean operational scenario
 - Includes current material from Korean theater (CSAR Special Operating Instructions, Concept of Operations, and Standard Operating Procedures)
 - Scenario emulates a higher operations tempo than would be expected in the actual Korean theater
 - Active aggression of survivors
 - Tactical interrogation of captives
- Low, medium to high threats are scripted, allowing a variety of Personnel Recovery (PR) response options

Operational Plans

- Operational plans developed from Joint CSAR Doctrine, Joint Pubs 3.50.1-4
- Twenty-four hour operations commencing on 20 Aug 97 through 1200, 27 Aug 97
 - Two-twelve hour exercise control shifts oversee three – six hour flying shifts

- Day and night operations
- Active aggression provided by SERE instructors, US Army Rangers
- Electronic threats supported by 336 Range Squadron, MT Home AFB ID
- Tactical interrogations performed by qualified SERE instructors for validations of S-V80-A learning outcomes

Operational Control

- 336 TRG/CC will be the PR exercise commander
 - Joint Exercise Control group (JECG) controls overall events of the exercise and will be supervised by rated squadron commanders from the 336 TRG
 - Aircrew members and Life Support personnel are inserted as “survivors/evaders”
 - SERE instructors escort survivors throughout the PR exercise
 - Escorts ensure overall safety of survivor
 - JECG provides administrative inputs through the escorts, as needed
 - Joint Search and Rescue Center manned by trained personnel from PACAF, CENTAF and HQ ACC
- Rescue Coordination Centers
- All flight operations controlled by each Wing Operations Center/Special Operations Center
 - Planned unconventional air assets include satellite assets and Unmanned Air Vehicles (UAVs)
 - Special Forces teams include Navy SEALs and Marine Force Recon
 - Participating units, their CSAREX role, and associated aircraft (if applicable) are identified in Appendix 2

Upcoming milestones

Milestones	Date(s)
- Final Planning Conference	28, 29 May 97
- WC97 PR exercise	20 – 27 Aug 97
- After-Action Report due to 336 TRG/CC	1 Oct 97

Risk Assessment of WC97 Events

- Risks associated with PR exercise planning and operations are identified along with an appropriate plan of action to reduce/negate risk

- Flight Safety and Ground Safety review of all flight/ground operations will be conducted prior to

STARTEX

Summary

- WOODLAND COUGAR '97 uses a Korean scenario

- Assumes current Korean conditions have degraded to involve NATO forces in low-high threats for PR operations

- Active aggression and tactical interrogation planned

- Operations

- Uses current PR doctrine as described by Joint Pubs 3.50.1-4

- Controlled by 336 TRG/CC and Joint Exercise Control Group

- PR operations will be controlled by JSRC

- PR Events

- Multiple events create a dynamic PR environment

- Unit PR training objectives are exercised through a variety of events (15 event types defined/planned) – Participating units and WC97 PR exercise roles identified
- WC97 milestones identified
 - PR exercise planned for 20 – 27 Aug 97
 - WC97 After-action report/evaluation completed by 1 Oct 97
- Risk assessment for WC97 identified potential risks and recommended plans of action to reduce the associated risk
- Safety risks are reduced/negated through planning and proper oversight by functional experts
- Complete communication capability is essential to overall exercise safety and operations

Appendix 1: Exercise Events

- Search and Rescue Task Force (SARTF) for low to medium threat environments
- Special Operations team link-ups with evaders in high threat environment
- Re-supply of SOF PR teams using AF SOF air assets
- Water rescues using conventional and unconventional rescue forces
- Operational acceptance testing of Combat Survivor Evader Locator System (CSEL)
- Redirected rescue using HOOK 112 radio/encrypted Global Position System
- Loss of JSRC communication link, requiring E-3A JSRC control over several rescue sorties
- Live-fire Search and Rescue Task Force at Boardman, Oregon Bombing Range
- National Security Agency support of JSRC using national assets
 - Satellite electronic emission search
 - Unmanned Air Vehicle support of communications link and search operations
- Forward Air Refueling Pre-positioning for SOF PR PR sortie launch from strip alert
- Unconventional Assisted Recovery Mechanisms (UARM) operating within contested areas

Appendix 2: Participating Units in WC97, Roles and Associated Aircraft

92ARW	FAIRCHILD AFB, WA	REFUELING		KC-135
355 FS	EIELSON AFB	RESCORT	2	A-10
190 FS	BOISE, ID	RESCORT	3	A-10
552 ACW	TINKER AFB	AMC	1	AWACS
66 RQS	NELLIS AFB	RESCUE	3	HH-60G
HCS 5	PT MAGU, CA	RESCUE	3	SH-60G
TF 160/3	FT STEWART, KY	SPEC OPS	2	MH-60G
36 RQF	FAIRCHILD AFB	ADMIN	2	UH-1N
ARMY NG-SPO	GEIGER FLD, WA	ADMIN	2	UH-1H
2 ACCS	OFFUTT AFB, NB	C4I	1	RC-135
US ARMY	ARLINGTON, VA	UAV	1	UAV
NSA	LANGLEY, VA	COMM/RECON		SAT
366 RNS	MOUNTAIN HOME AFB	EMMITERS		
1 ST FORCE RECON	CAMP PENDLETON, CA	RECON/TRAP		
SEAL TEAM 1	CORONADO, CA	SPEC OPS		
3D SFG	FT BRAGG, NC	SPEC OPS		
5 TH SFG	FT CAMPBELL, KY	SPEC OPS		
JSSA	FT BELVOIR, VA	TRAINING		
ARMY NG	OREGON	OPFOR		
242D COMM	GEIGER FLD, WA	COMM		

APPENDIX C

**U.S. ARMY COMMUNICATIONS – ELECTRONICS
COMMAND ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ANALYSIS WORKSHEET-
OPERATIONAL TESTING OF CSEL SYSTEM**

**US ARMY COMMUNICATIONS-ELECTRONICS COMMAND
ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ANALYSIS WORKSHEET**

Item name: CSEL Hand-held Radio (HHR)
NSN:

Type Designation: AN/PRQ-7
Project Code: 154
(For use by CECOM Safety Office ONLY)

Item Description: The AN/PRQ-7 is a CSEL HHR used by personnel to communicate with rescue forces.

Proponent Organization: FM Tactical Radio Communications Systems
SFAE-C3S-TRC-TMD

POC: Albert Guensch

Tel: DSN 987-3014

SEP POC: Thang Pham

Tel: DSN 992-0084 ext. 6417

SEP POC: Louis F. Soffer

Tel: DSN 987-3112 ext. 6434

This item is: (check one)

- Developmental
- Commercial off the shelf item (COTS)
- Modified COTS

The items current life cycle phase is: (check one)

- Concept Exploration & Definition
- Demonstration & Validation
- Engineering & Manufacturing Development
- Production and Deployment
- Operations & Support

The next scheduled milestone event is:

- | <u>Event:</u> | <u>Date:</u> |
|--|--------------|
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Milestone Decision | |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Test & Evaluation | May 1997 |
| Material Release | |
| Transition to Readiness | |
| Other (describe) | |

This evaluation covers the following: (check all that apply)

- Technical/user testing
- Life Cycle
- Other (define):

ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING ACTION: Record of Environmental Consideration

COMPLETED AND SUBMITTED:

Preparer's signature, title and address/office symbol
Proponent Organization, signature, title, and office symbol

Albert Guensch
Albert Guensch, Project Leader, SFAE-C3S-TRC-TMD

Date: 2 Dec 96

SAFETY ENGINEERING REVIEW:

Safety Engineer's signature, title, and office symbol

Thang Pham
Thang Pham, Safety Engineer, AMSEL-SF-SEP

Date: 3 Dec 96

REVIEW AND CONCURRENCE:

Louis F. Soffer
Louis F. Soffer, Safety Engineer, AMSEL-SF-SEP

Date: 3 Dec 96

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT CHECKLIST

QUESTION UNDER CONSIDERATION	CONFORM	REMARKS
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A. HAZARDOUS MATERIALS (except batteries and radioactive materials)

A-1 Is the item or component free of hazardous or potentially hazardous material as defined by the FEDERAL STANDARD 313, EPA (40 CFR), DOT (49 CFR), OSHA (29 CFR). ACGIH or other federal law, regulation or standard?	X	
A-2 Is the item or component free of reactive or flammable Chemicals such as solvents, thinners or diluents?	X	
A-3 Is the item or component free of toxins and carcinogens (e.g. polychlorinated biphenyl's, elemental mercury, beryllium oxide, asbestos, etc.)?	X	
A-4 Is it free of ozone depleting chemicals (ODC, i.e., Ozone depleting substances (ODS) refrigerant gases, Chlorofluorocarbons, etc)?	X	
A-5 If the answer to any of questions A-1 through A-4 inclusive is "no", has every effort been made to substitute nonhazardous materials. Further, list all mitigating control measures that are to be put in place to attain compliance.	X	

QUES. NO.: ADDITIONAL REMARKS:

B. BATTERIES

B-1 Is the item or commodity free of batteries? If "NO", are the Batteries the primary or backup power source?		No, primary, and backup.
B-2 If the answer to question B-1 is "NO", is the battery in the Government inventory? If "YES", list the battery type number and NSN number, or manufacturer Part/Number (P/N) and name Battery. For all batteries inc. its electro-chemical system.		Yes, see remarks below.
B-3 Is the battery of a type that does not require special precautions For storage, handling or disposal?		No, see remarks below.

QUES. NO.: ADDITIONAL REMARKS:

B-2 Primary power: Sealed four (4) ½ Dcell, lithium-sulfur dioxide battery; Mfg'd: Blue Star, Vancouver, BC; P/N; TBA; safety features consistent with current military performance requirements. Backup (memory) power: sealed lithium-manganese dioxide cell; Mfg'd: Eveready Battery Co. Inc., St. Louis, MO; P/N: E-CR2032.

B-3 All batteries will be managed IAW equipment TM requirements and disposed of IAW TB 43-0134 Requirements for hazardous waste consistent with Federal, state and local regulations.

QUESTION UNDER CONSIDERATION

CONFORM

REMARKS

C. RADIATION

C-1 Is the item or component free of radioactive material? If “NO”, list the specific isotope and the activity of the radioactive part/component?

X

C-2 If the answer to question C-1 is “NO”, is the radioactive Component covered under a Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) Or a Department of the Army Radiation Authorization (DARA)?

X

C-3 Is there no potential that the electromagnetic radiation Generated by the item could impact the environment including humans And/or wildlife. If “NO”, what provisions have been designated to Preclude radiation exposure.

QUES. NO.: ADDITIONAL REMARKS:

C-3 The equipment transmits on low power ($\leq 10W$). An RFR study is pending (June 1997) by Center For Health Promotion and Preventive Medicine, APG, MD.

D. SOLID WASTE/RESOURCE RECOVERY

D-1 Have all components that are routinely replaced in the Course of maintenance been selected so as not to require special, Handling or disposal? If “NO”, list the components or subsystems And procedures to ensure safe handling and disposal.

No. Item contains PC boards, Electronic components, etc. See remarks below.

D-2 Have those components having a significant economic Recovery or reclamation potential been highlighted (e.g. components Containing precious metals or special alloys, etc.)?

N/A

D-3 Have the specific instructions for the safe handling and Disposal been included in the Technical Manuals for those Components covered in questions D-1 and D-2?

X

QUES. NO.: ADDITIONAL REMARKS:

D-1 TMs require that electronics subassemblies will be returned to depot for rebuilt, repair and/or Disposal IAW all federal, state and local environmental regulations.

QUESTION UNDER CONSIDERATION

CONFORM

REMARKS

E. AIR QUALITY

E-1 Have all materials that have the potential for the evolution or Release of hazardous gases, vapors or fumes in violation of federal, State or local regulations been eliminated? If "NO", have appropriate Controls been put in place to mitigate the release?

X

E-2 Has the system been designed so as not to release Combustion products, emit objectionable odors, or create airborne Particulates? If "NO", have appropriate measures been put in place To control the release within acceptable limits?

X

QUES. NO.: ADDITIONAL REMARKS:

F. WATER QUALITY

F-1 Has the potential for the release of toxic or hazardous Substances to surface or subsurface water or into a body of water Been eliminated?

X

F-2 Is there no potential that the item or component can alter The temperature of a body of water or contribute to sedimentation?

X

QUES. NO.: ADDITIONAL REMARKS

QUESTION UNDER CONSIDERATION	CONFORM	REMARKS
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G. SOIL QUALITY AND LAND USE

G-1 Has the potential for releasing toxic or hazardous substances Onto the soil eliminated?	X	
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G-2 Has the item been designed so as not to contribute to soil Erosion or adversely affect the soil or soil quality.	X	
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G-3 Have measures been taken to prevent any changes to the Existing vegetation, wildlife, marine life, and protected or endangered Species or their habitats?	X	
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G-4 Has the item been deigned so as not to require a change in Land use, impact on recreational or agricultural land or affect sites Having historic, architectural or archaeological interests?	X	
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QUES. NO.: ADDITIONAL REMARKS:

H. NOISE

H-1 Have measures been implemented to control or abate excessive Noise levels considering the proximity and the likely effect on humans Or wildlife?	X	
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H-2 Have measures been implemented to control or abate excessive Noise levels considering the proximity and the likely effect on humans Or wildlife?	X	
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QUES. NO.: ADDITIONAL REMARKS:

I. ENERGY

1-1 If the item is connected to the local commercial power supply, Can the power demand be regulated so as not to affect the overall Demand or commercial power supply? If "NO", list the voltage, no. of Phases, and wattage requirement of the item or system.	X	
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ADDITIONAL REMARKS:

QUESTION UNDER CONSIDERATION

CONFORM

REMARKS

J. ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION DETERMINATION

(For use by CECOM Safety Office ONLY):

J-1 Are all items, components or actions of a nature that they will Not have a significant impact or potential to adversely affect the Quality of the human environment?

X

J-2 Jas the potential for environmental controversy or litigation Been eliminate?

X

J-3 Have the environmental considerations been covered in Existing documentation? If "YES", list the title, name, file name/number and source of such documentation.

X

J-4 Is the item one that does not preclude the preparation of a Record of Environmental Consideration (REC) as defined in paragraph 4-2 of AR 200-2?

X

J-5 Doe the item qualify for a Categorical Exclusion as defined In AR 200-2?

CX A-12

QUES. NO. ADDITIONAL REMARKS:

RECORD OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSIDERATION

TITLE: AN/PRQ-7
CSEL Hand-held Radio (HHR)

PROONENT OFFICE: PM Tactical Radio Communications Systems
SFAE-C3S-TRC-TMD

PREPARER: CECOM Safety Office, AMSEL-SF-SEP

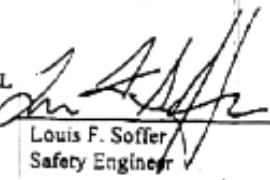
DESCRIPTION:

1. The AN/PRQ-7 is a CSEL HHR used by personnel to communicate with rescue forces.
2. This AN/PRQ-7 is scheduled for Test and Evaluation during May 1997 at Ft. Belvoir, VA, Ft. Haachuca, AZ, Ft. Richardson, AK, Camp Smith, HI, on the USS Abraham Lincoln, CVN-72, and at Rockwell Autonetics Inc., Anaheim, CA.
3. This document covers the AN/PRQ-7 for its Test and Evaluation phase of its life cycle.

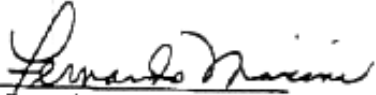
DETERMINATION:

1. An Environmental Impact Analysis has been completed for the item and is documented in the Environmental Impact Analysis Worksheet, 3 December 1996, on file in the CECOM Safety Office.
2. Based on this analysis, it has been determined that:
 - a. The AN/PRQ-7 meets the screening criteria in Section II, Appendix A, AR 200-2. It qualifies as categorically excluded (paragraph A-12, Appendix A, AR 200-2) from the requirements for an Environmental Assessment (EA) or an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS).
 - b. The AN/PRQ-7 is not expected to have a significant individual or cumulative effect on the environment, nor is it environmentally controversial. There are no known extraordinary circumstances under paragraph 4-2 of AR 200-2 that would require an EA or an EIS.

ENVIRONMENTAL
COORDINATOR:


Louis F. Soffer
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REVIEWED/
APPROVED BY:


Fernando Mancini
Chief, C4 Systems Engrg. Div.

DATE: 12/3/96

APPENDIX D

**MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET (MSDS)
LiSO₂ BATTERY**

MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET

SECTION 1 – Product Identification and Use

Product: Lithium Sulphur Dioxide Battery
Identifier: "D/2" Cell LS3228
Product Identification Number (PIN): Lithium Battery Liquid Cathode UN 3090

Manufacturer Name: BlueStar Battery Systems Corporation
1164 West 15th Street
North Vancouver, BC CANADA
V7P 1M9

Supplier's Name: as above

SECTION 2 – Hazardous Ingredients

Hazardous Ingredients (CAS #)	Percent LD of Ingredient Spec. Species & Route	LC of Ingredient Spec Species
Lithium Metal (7439-93-2)	2.6 (1.05 g)	
Sulphur Dioxide (7446-09-5)	25.4	LCLo Human Inhalation 400 ppm – 1 min
Acetonitrile (75-05-8)	9.0	Rat – Oral – 3.8g/kg

SECTION 3 – Physical Data

(1) Physical State:	Solid	(8)	Freezing Point (°C)	n/a	
(2) Odour and Appearance:	n/a		(9) ph:		n/a
(3) Odour Threshold (ppm):	n/a	(10)	Spec. Gravity:	n/a	
(4) Vapour Density (air=1):	n/a		(11) Coefficient of water oil		
(5) Vapour Density (air=1):	n/a				
(6) Evaporate Rate:	n/a		Distribution:	n/a	
(7) Boiling Point (°C):	n/a				

SECTION 4 – Fire and Explosion Data

FLAMMABLE: Lithium is a flammable solid and will react with water to form flammable hydrogen gas.

MEANS OF EXTINCTION: For burning batteries, use class D extinguishant; Lith – X (preferred), powdered graphite, Met-L-X. Use water spray or CO₂ to lower temperature and extinguish fires in packing material. Use self contained breathing apparatus and full protective clothing.

HAZARDOUS COMBUSTION PRODUCTS: Sulphur Dioxide gas, Carbon Monoxide, Carbon Dioxide, and Lithium Oxide fumes.

SECTION 5 – Reactivity Data

STABILITY:	Stable
INCOMPATIBILITIES:	Lithium reacts with water to form Hydrogen. Moist Sulphur Dioxide is corrosive.
REACTIVITY:	Lithium reacts with air, water and most materials.
DECOMPOSITION PRODUCTS:	Ruptured batteries will release Sulphur Dioxide.

SECTION 6 – Toxicological Properties

ROUTE OF ENTRY:	Inhalation (Sulphur Dioxide)
EFFECT OF ACUTE EXPOSURE:	10-20 ppm irritation 100 ppm dangerous 400 ppm life threatening
EFFECT OF CHRONIC EXPOSURE:	Rhinitis, dry throat and cough
EXPOSURE LIMITS:	Below 10 ppm
IRRITANCY:	Eye and Respiratory tract
CARCINOGENICITY:	n/a
TERATOGENICITY:	n/a
REPRODUCTIVE TOXICITY:	n/a
MUTAGENICITY:	n/a
SYNERGISTIC PRODUCTS:	n/a

SECTION 7 – Preventative Measures

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT:	Needed for batteries – for Sulphur Dioxide or fire
RESPIRATOR:	20 ppm Full face chemical cartridge above
WASTE DISPOSAL:	According to local regulations
STORAGE:	Store in well ventilated area
SPECIAL SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS:	Equipped with sprinkler systems, away from flammables. According to DOT, ICAO, IATA regulations

SECTION 8 – First Aid Measures

SPECIFIC:	For Sulphur Dioxide exposure – remove to ventilated area, consult phy
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APPENDIX E

**CSEL ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION (EMR)
HAZARDS ANALYSIS – CAMP SMITH, HAWAII**

APPENDIX A

ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION (EMR) HAZARDS AND ELECTROMAGNETIC COMPATIBILITY (EMC) STUDY FOR THE COMBAT SURVIVOR EVADER LOCATOR (CSEL) UHF SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS (SATCOM) BASE STATION (UBS) AT CAMP H. M. SMITH, HAWAII; E³ PROGRAM TASK NO. E97-H002

- Ref: (a) NRaD (Mr. Ron Bell) E-Mail of 26 September 1996
(b) Department of Defense (DOD) Instruction 6055.11, *Protection of DoD Personnel from Exposure to Radiofrequency Radiation*, February 1995
(c) NAVSEA OP 3565 Volume I Fifth Revision, *Electromagnetic Radiation Hazards (Hazards to Personnel, Fuel and Other Flammable Material)*; dated 15 July 1982.
(d) MIL-STD-461D, *Requirements for the Control of Electromagnetic Interference Emissions and Susceptibility* dated 11 January 1993

1. As requested by reference (a), NCCOSC RDTE ACT PAC (NRaD ACT PAC) conducted an EMR hazards and EMC hazards and EMC study for the proposed installation of the CSEL UBS and a test hand-held radio (HHR) system in the Naval Telecommunications Center (NTCC) spaces in Building 4, and the antennas on the roof above, at Camp H. M. Smith. The EMR hazards study analyzed the hazards of EMR to personnel (HERP) and fuel (HERF), and radiated susceptibility (RS) related electromagnetic interference (EMI) to electronic equipment due to transmissions from the proposed CSEL transceivers. The EMC study analyzed the potential for interference between the CSEL transceivers and existing RF systems at Camp H. M. Smith. Hazards of EMR to ordnance (HERO) was not address since no ordnance is stored at Camp H. M. Smith.

a. Figure A1 shows the location of the UBS and HHR antennas and Figure A2 shows the block diagrams of both systems.

b. The UBS antenna will be fed by an AN/WSC-3 100 watts UHF transceiver and the test HHR (8 watts) will feed the other antenna.

c. Transmissions will be made on one frequency in the UHF satellite communications (SATCOM) uplink band of 290 to 320 MHz and reception will be on one frequency in the downlink band of 240 to 270 MHz. Figure A3 shows the time-division multiple access (TDMA) format that will be used by the survivor/evader (S/E) and test HHR, and the UBS.

d. The installation will also include two receive only global positioning system (GPS) systems and their antennas.

2. The results of the EMR hazards study show that the proposed

NR60 TRU RECEIVE ONLY:
 ANOMERIS 61005A-3 HELICALS
 AND TWO GPS ANTENNAS.
 NOTE: BOTH HELICALS CURRENTLY
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 AZIMUTH: 223.88 DEGREES
 ELEVATION ANGLE: 64.9 DEGREES

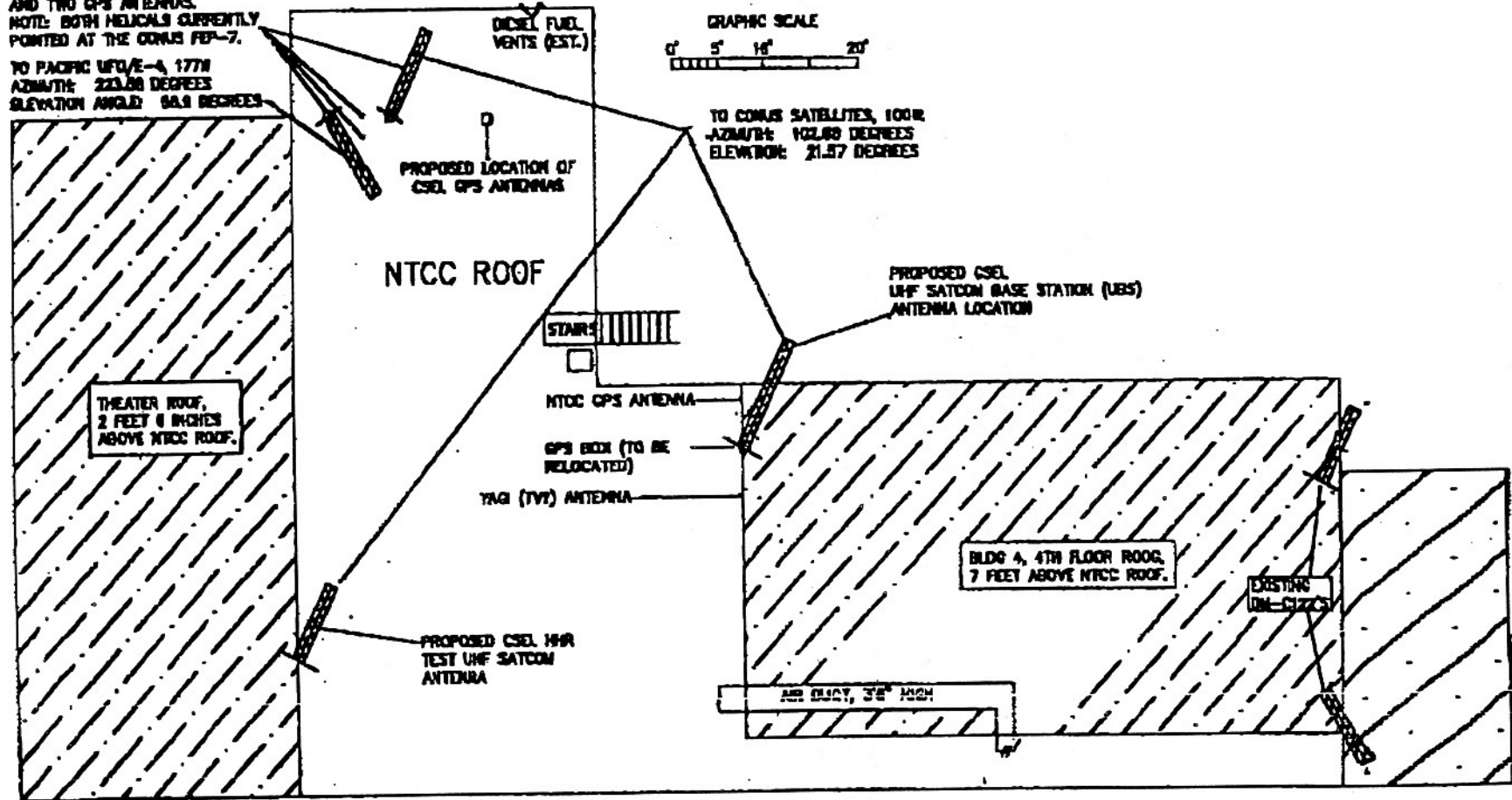


Figure A1. Sketch (Partial) of the Roof of Building 4, Camp H. M. Smith, Showing the Proposed Locations of the CSEL UBS, HHR, and GPS Antennas and Other Existing Antennas



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 2451 CRYSTAL PARK
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REFERENCE

(a) NR&D ACT PAC ltr Ser D9121MI/105 of 14 Mar 97

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Encl: (1) Appendix A Electromagnetic Radiation (EMR) Hazards and
 Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) study for the COMBAT Survivor
 Evader Locator (CSEL) UHF Satellite Communications (SATCOM) Base
 Station (UBS) at Camp H.M. Smith, Hawaii.

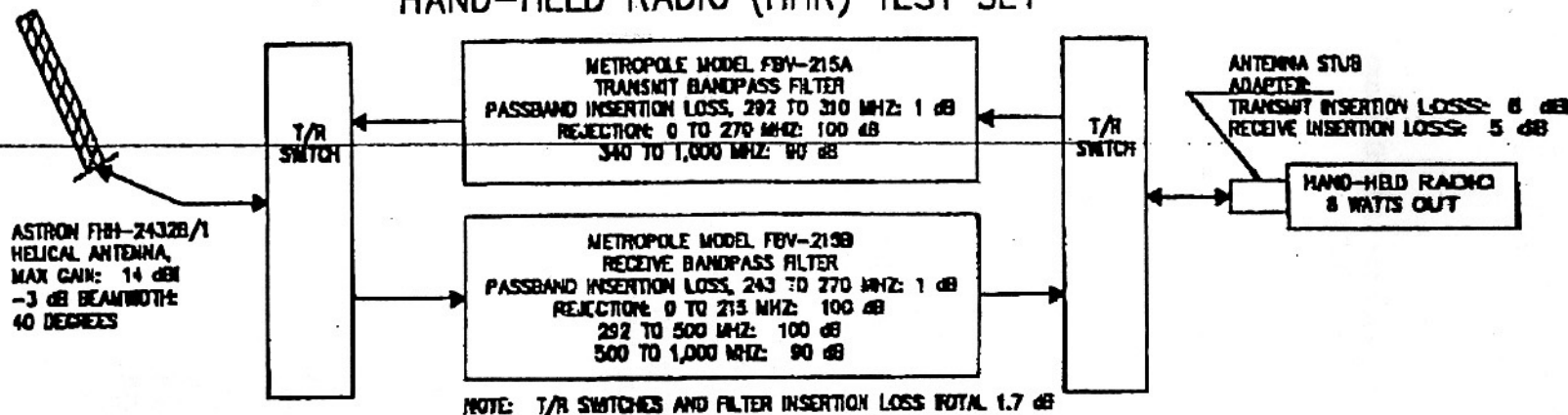
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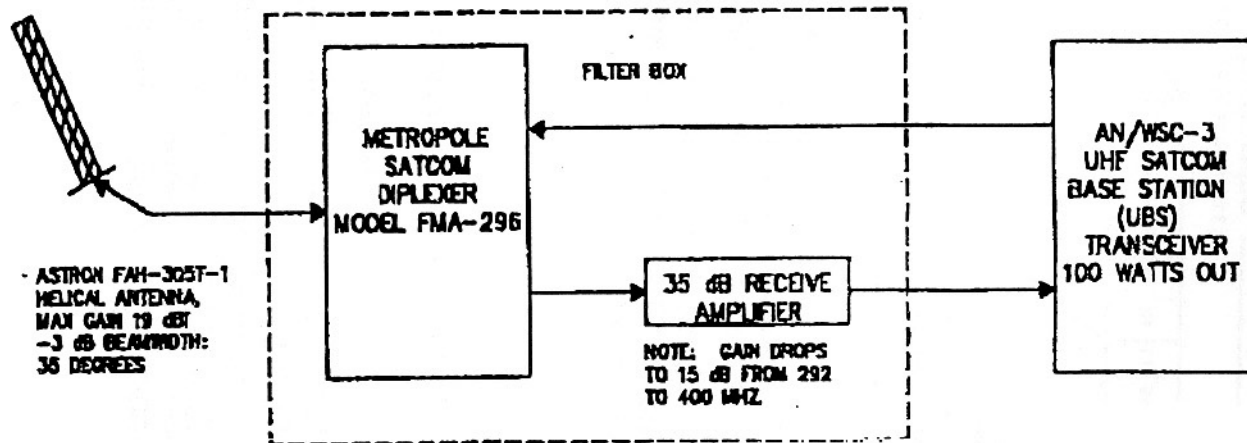
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HAND-HELD RADIO (HHR) TEST SET



NOTE: EACH SYSTEM WILL USED A GPS RECEIVE SYSTEM

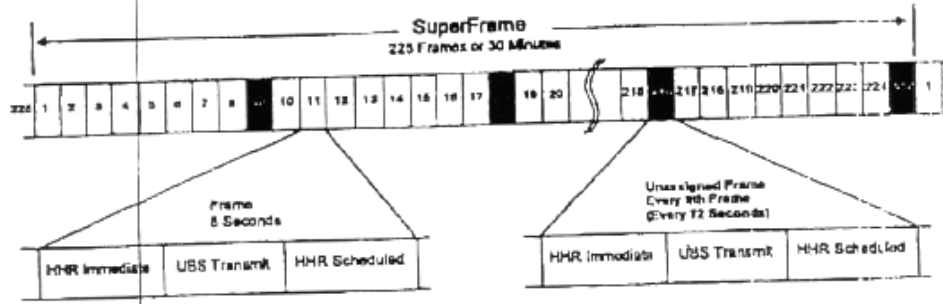
UHF SATCOM BASE STATION (UBS)



MODEL FMA-296 DIPLEXER SPECIFICATIONS:
RECEIVE: 0.9 dB INSERTION LOSS, 242 TO 270 MHz
100 dB REJECTION MIN. DC TO 212 MHz
AND 292 TO 900 MHz.
TRANSMIT: 0.9 dB INSERTION LOSS, 292 TO 318 MHz
100 dB REJECTION FROM DC TO 270 MHz
AND 350 TO 900 MHz.

CSEL UHFSatcom TDMA Structure

The CSEL UHFSATCOM signal and waveform conforms to the requirements for UHF Satcom TDMA structure, as specified by the CSEL System Specification, CSEL200-010, shows the UHFSatcom TDMA structure.



The TDMA structure consists of 30-minute superframes repeating continuously. Each superframe consists of 225 eight-second frames. Of the 225 frames, 200 are assignable to specific HHRs to support S/Es every 30 minutes using the HHR Scheduled frame slot.

Every 9th frame is an Unassigned Frame. The main usage of Unassigned Frames is for the JSRC(s) high priority immediate Transmit of return messages to S/Es. Unassigned Frames also are used for S/E to S/E communications

CSEL UHFSatcom Message Format

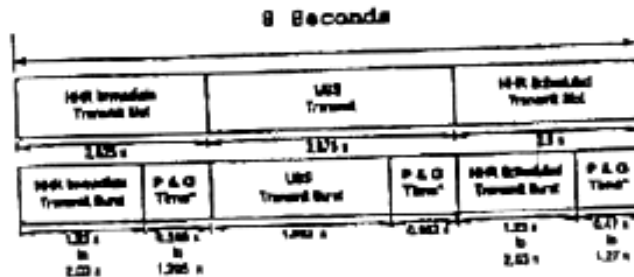


Figure A3. CSEL UHF SATCOM Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) Structure

CSEL installation will not create HERP or HERF to personnel in accessible areas or fuel storage or handling areas, respectively.

UBS transmissions may cause RS related EMI in the NTCC GPS whose antenna is next to the UBS's. The EMC study did not predict EMI problems due to the proposed CSEL installation.

3. EMR Hazards Criteria:

a. HERP: HERP from electromagnetic fields is due to the thermal heating of human tissue. Reference (b) provides the latest DoD HERP exposure limits to which the Navy exposure limits are being revised to. Reference (b) includes a two-tier exposure criteria for controlled and uncontrolled environments.

(1) Controlled environments are defined as areas where exposure may be incurred by personnel who are aware of the potential for radio frequency (RF) exposures as a concomitant of employment or duties, exposure of individuals who knowingly enter areas where higher RF levels can reasonably be anticipated to exist, and exposure that may occur incidental to transient passage through such areas. The permissible exposure limit (PEL) for controlled environments is applicable to the roof of Building 4 and all working areas beneath the roof.

(2) Uncontrolled environments are defined as public areas where individuals have no knowledge or control of their exposure. Such areas generally represent living quarters, workplaces, or public areas where personnel would not expect to encounter higher levels of RF energy. There are stricter limits for these areas. The PEL for uncontrolled environments is applicable to the areas accessible to the general public on the second floor of Building 4.

b. HERF: HERF is the ignition of fuel vapor by arcing or ignition of fuel in contact with RF heated metal in intense RF fields. These fuels include AVGAS, MOGAS, and JP-4. Diesel and JP-5 fuel are not vulnerable to RF arcs due to their low vapor pressure at ordinary temperatures. The HERF hazard energy levels and recommended separation distances are promulgated by reference (c). The minimum recommended separation distance at shore sites is 15 meters (50 feet) for communications transmitters radiating 250 watts or less and 60 meter (200 feet) for transmitters radiating more than 250 watts. Additionally, for transmitters radiating more than 250 watts, the generated E-field at the fueling site must be no greater than would exist at a distance of 15 meters from 250 watts radiated output (5.77 v/m calculated). The 5.77 V/m criteria can also be applied to lower power transmitters.

c. MIL-STD-461D ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT SUSCEPTIBILITY:
Electronic equipment and subsystems are susceptible to RF fields.

To avoid malfunction or performance degradation, these equipments should be built to MIL-STD-461D RS103 requirements. Per reference (d), ground electronic equipment should not experience EMI in radiated peak E-fields of 10 V/m or less for frequencies between 10 kHz and 1 GHz.

4. EMR Hazards Analysis: Equipment data shown on Figure A2 were used to calculate separation distances, using the free space propagation formula, between the CSEL antennas and where their RF signals are equal to the exposure limits cited in previous paragraphs.

5. EMR Hazards Analysis Results:

a. The tables below lists the calculated HERP, HERF, and MIL-STD-461D RS103 separation distances for the CSEL transmissions.

Table A1. AN/WSC-3 Transmitter, Continuous Wave (CW) Transmission

EMR Hazards Category	Criteria (V/m)	Mainbeam Exposure Distance (Feet)	Beyond 45° of Boresight Distance (Feet)	Beyond 90° of Boresight Distance (Feet)
HERP, Controlled Environments	61.4	26	2.9	1.2
HERP, Uncontrolled Environments	27.5	58	6.5	2.6
HERF	5.77	278	50	50
MIL-STD-461D RS103	10	160	18	7.2

Table A2. Hand-Held Radio, CW Transmission

EMR Hazards Category	Criteria (V/m)	Mainbeam Exposure Distance (Feet)	Beyond 90° of Boresight Distance (Feet)
HERP, Uncontrolled Environments	27.5	4.6	0.9
HERF	N/A	50	50
MIL-STD-461D RS103	10	12.7	2.5

b. HERP:

(1) AN/WSC-3 (UBS) Transmissions: The Table A1 shows the separation distance for the worst case scenario in which the AN/WSC-3 is transmitting in the CW mode. Due to the height, azimuth, and elevation angle of the UBS antenna, Camp H. M. Smith personnel in working areas below the antenna will not be exposed to levels exceeding the controlled environments PEL. The general public on the second deck will not be exposed to levels exceeding the uncontrolled environments PEL.

(a) During normal operations, the UBS will be transmitting in a pulsed Mode following the TDMA format shown on Figure A3. Table A3 below list calculated HERP separation distance assuming that the UBS will be transmitting for 2.875 seconds during every 8 second slot (a highly unlikely scenario). As shown, the distance will be less than that for the CW transmission.

Table A3. Calculated HERP Separation Distances for the AN/WSC-3 Transmitter, TDMA Transmissions

EMR Hazards Category	Criteria (V/m)	Mainbeam Exposure Distance (Feet)	Beyond 45° of Boresight Distance (Feet)	Beyond 90 of Boresight Distance (Feet)
HERP, Controlled Environments	61.4	16	2	1
HERP, Uncontrolled Environments	27.5	35	4	2

(2) HHR Transmissions: Table A2 shows the separation distance for the worst case scenario in which the HHR is transmitting in the CW mode. Since the output of the HHR will be reduced by 6 dB due to the insertion loss of the antenna stub adapter, the output of the HHR will be 2 watts. In controlled environments, transmitters with output powers below 7 watts are not required to meet the PEL (low-power device exclusion). The general public on the second deck will not be exposed to levels exceeding the uncontrolled environments PEL.

c. HERF: No fuel handling or storage site is located within the recommended 50 feet separation distance. The closest fuel related items are two diesel fuel vents on the east side of the NTCC roof which are 45 feet from the UBS antenna and 65 feet from the HHR antenna, see Figure A1. The calculated HERF separation distance for mainbeam exposure from the UBS antenna is 278 feet but the mainbeam does not illuminate any fuel storage or handling site.

d. MIL-STD-461D RS103 Related EMT for Ground Electronic Equipment: No Camp H. M. Smith electronic equipment will be subject to mainbeam illumination from either the UBS or HHR antenna. Electronic equipment immediately below these antennas may be within the calculated RS103 separation distances, however due to an estimated 10 dB roof attenuation, the 10 V/m level should not be exceeded beneath the roof of Building 4. The NTCC GPS system whose antenna is located 5 feet from the UBS antenna will be relocated if radiated susceptibility related EMI occurs.

6. EMC Analysis Results

a. Co-channel and Adjacent Channel Interference: No co-channel interference is predicted since the CSEL frequency will be assigned by the UHF SATCOM frequency manager who controls all UHF SATCOM frequency assignments. Noise monitoring of the UHF SATCOM downlink band showed several UHF communication transmissions at 257.790, 267.800, and 269.000 MHz but all below -72 dBm (picked up with a Dorne Margolin C-121 antenna). None of these should interfere with UHF SATCOM downlink frequencies.

b. Transmitter Spurious Interference: The transmitter spurious rejections for the AN/WSC-3 and HHR are 80 dB and 60 dB (typical for HHR's), respectively. Additionally, both the UBS and HHR transmit outputs will be filtered by 100 dB from DC to 270 MHz and 90 dB above 340 MHz, see Figure A2. Calculations show that the UBS and HHR transmissions should not create transmitter spurious EMI for each other, the nearby NRaD TRU UHF SATCOM receive only system, or the existing CINCPAC UHF SATCOM and other line of sight systems on Building 4 or on Building 1.

The transmit filtering for the AN/WSC-3 and HHR will also prevent harmonic interference.

c. Receiver Spurious Response Interference: Calculations show that no receiver spurious response interference is predicted due to the separation between the proposed UBS and HHR antennas and the existing NRaD TRU, and CINCPAC RF antennas, and the fact that the UBS, HHR, and NRaD TRU systems are equipped with receive filters.

The calculated signal levels of the transmitted UBS and HHR signals at the output of the NRaD TRU receive amplifiers are below -30 dBm. These levels are well below the $+10$ dBm $+1$ dB gain compression point of the NRaD TRU RF amplifiers.

d. Intermodulation Product EMI: Due to the separation of the various RF systems and the fact that the UBS and HHR will not transmit concurrently due to the TDMA format, intermodulation product EMI is not predicted.

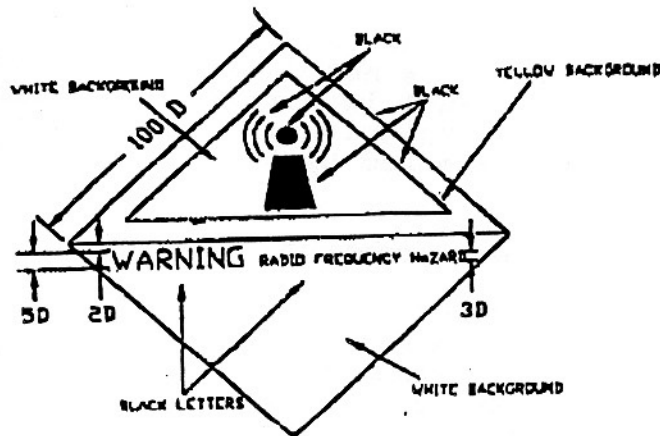
7. Conclusions and Recommendations: Based on the analysis, the proposed CSEL installation is not predicted to cause HERP, HERF, or EMC problems for personnel in normally accessible areas, fuel, or existing RF systems, respectively. Radiated susceptibility EMI problems may be experienced by the NTCC GPS antenna next to the UBS.

a. To avoid HERP, we recommend the following action:

Post a “KEEP MOVING” RF warning sign (see Figure A4) at the base of the UBS and HHR antenna poles. Advise maintenance personnel to secure the transmitter when work is performed on the UBS and HHR antenna or RF cables, or if any other work will be done within 3 feet of the UBS antenna.

b. The NTCC GPS antenna will be relocated if EMI is experienced.

8. Our point of contact for this report is Mr. Steve Kobashigawa, DSN (315) 471-1976 or commercial (808) 471-1976.



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 NSN: 7890-01-377-5374
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"KEEP MOVING" sign

"BEYOND THIS POINT" sign

"RF BURN" sign

"FUELING OPERATIONS" sign

Sign Title: RADIO FREQ HAZ WARNING-KEEP MOVING PERSONNEL/5"
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NOTE: SIGNS ARE MADE OF THIN AND FLEXIBLE PLASTIC SHEETS. RIGID BACKING REQUIRED.

Figure A4. RF Hazard Warning Signs