



Smart Distribution

A System of Systems For The Objective Force

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Purpose

FTTS Industry Day briefing on the collaborative efforts to develop an Objective Force <u>Smart Distribution System</u>







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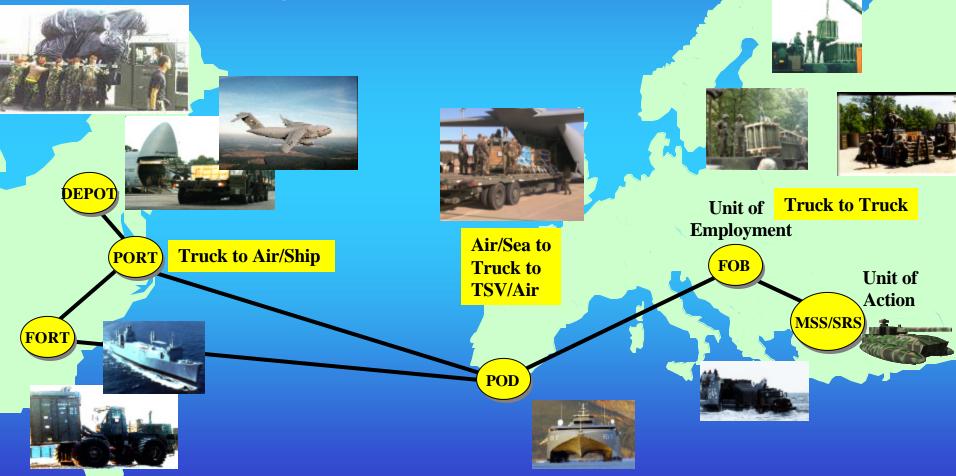
Reviews and Comments

- GEN Kern
 - "You've got some good ideas. Now make them happen." 30 June
- MG Juskowiak
 - "I fully support this concept" 9 May
- MG Dail
 - "The potential impact is enormous" 15 May
- MG Stevenson
 - Enables "Ordnance Corps Transformation: Configured Load Concepts" – 6 June
- Mr. Edwards
 - "An excellent concept" 6 May



Problem Statement

Objective Force operations require a logistics system with timely, rapid and pulsed delivery of supplies. Incompatibilities between transportation modes, Materials Handling Equipment (MHE) & cargo platforms in the current system will force the inefficient re-handling of supplies by soldiers and a variety of equipment at each logistics node.

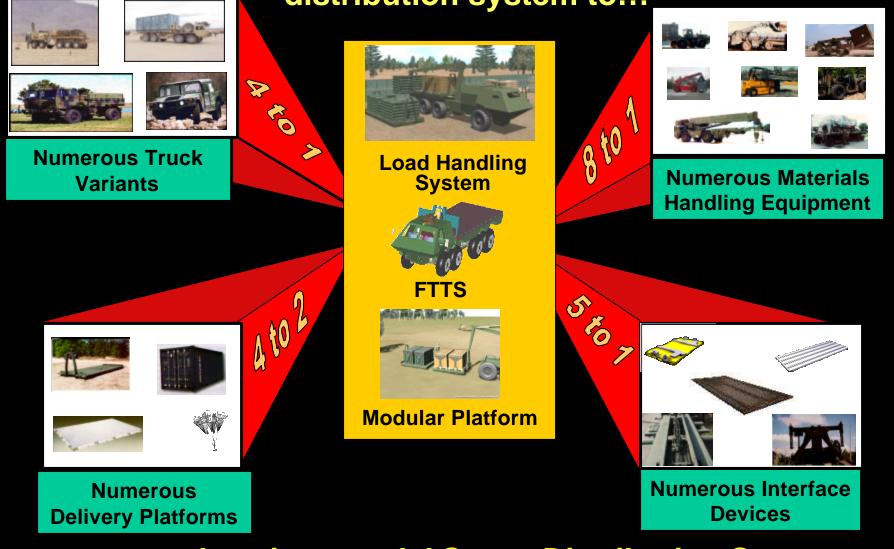


The pipeline is too slow and the Army's logistics footprint is too large!



Technology to transform the current cumbersome, seamed, and inefficient distribution system to...





... a seamless intermodal Smart Distribution System



Force Operating

Capabilities

Documented Need in Objective Force

- Unit of Action O&O, Draft, v.98, Jun 02
 - Configured loads capable of either ground or aerial delivery
 - Intermodal platforms and ground transport capabilities
- Objective Force UE Concept, Draft, 12 Apr 02
 - Flexible multi-modal sustainment
 - Refined procedures for accelerated throughput
 - Strategic base configured to support deployed forces with configured loads to tactical (unit of action) level
- TRADOC Pam 525-66, Draft, 17 Jun 02
 - Innovative, multi-modal distribution concepts



- Enable quick cross leveling of supplies between platforms and units in contact and on the move
- Leverage pre-configured packaging and platform-embedded materiel handling and lift for rapid, accurate and agile resupply that minimizes demand on soldiers











Smart Distribution System Video







Intelligent Load Handling System



Articulated Load Handling Arm

Robotic handling system to:

- Load modular containers and platforms on FTTS
- Configure modular packaged loads on platforms

Leap forward -Integrate backward







Configured Load Building Software

- Software application interfaces with GCSS-Army supply module
- Enables battlespace reconfiguration of all classes of supply for optimal delivery within the UA



Future Tactical Truck System (FTTS)



Virtual Prototyping

Virtual prototype engineering design solutions (cab design, integrated C4ISR, Smart Distribution components)

Provide inputs to operational analyses



Interfaces with:
➤ TSV, C-17, C-130, CH-47
➤ ISO Containers, Modular Platforms, CROP



Vehicle Alignment System

Enables rapid alignment of the FTTS with:

- Modular platforms
- Containers
- USAF K-loaders
- USAF aircraft
- Other trucks



Modular Platform System



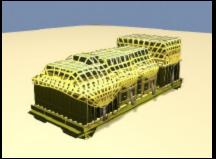
Modular Platform

- Reconfigurable to meet user needs
 Intermodal platform:
- Air/Land/Sea/Airdrop/Slingload
- Lightweight material design
- Allows multiple deliveries with one vehicle

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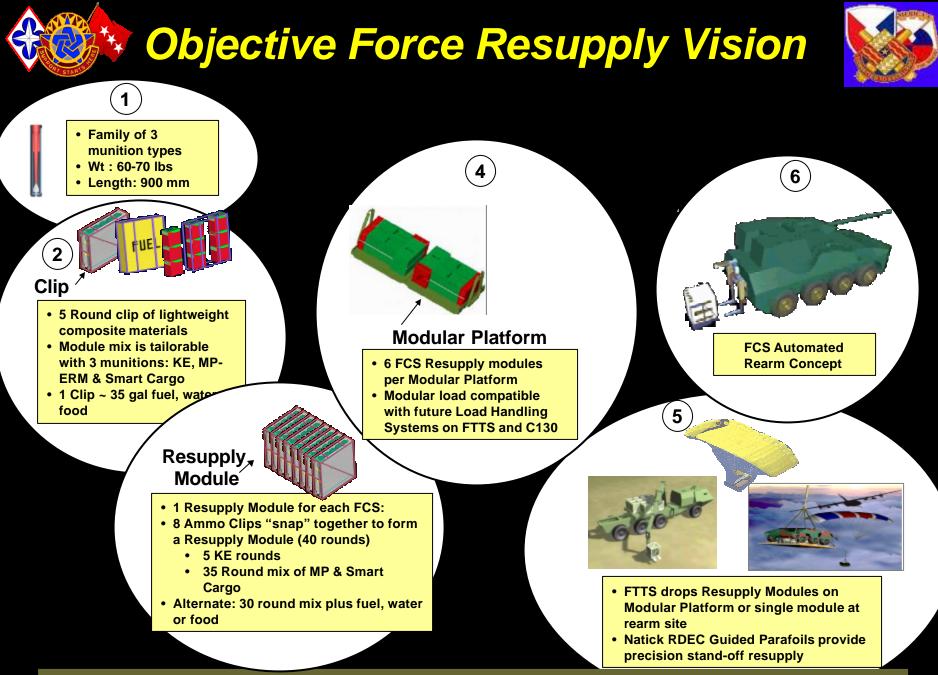
Load conforming tie-down system

Enable rapid securing of configured loads



Modular Packaging

- Compatible w/Modular Platform
- Interlocking concept for storage and transport of all classes of supply
- Reconfigurable to meet user needs
- Automation friendly
- > Automatic identification technology
- > Airdrop capability



Rapid and Responsive Resupply













Warfighter payoffs

- Lethality increased combat power through reduced resupply time - 60% quicker SRS
- Agility able to respond to changing unit needs to maintain battle rhythm - 70% quicker reconfigure
- Deployability reduction in MHE reduces deployment footprint by 100 tons/brigade or 6 C-130J lifts







Smart analysis

Analysis based on:

- Objective Force support concept
- SBCT consumption and CSS force structure
- 3-day pulse of all classes of supply less water and fuel = 360 ST
- 25% of CROPs require reconfiguration at FOB
- No MHE forward of FOB



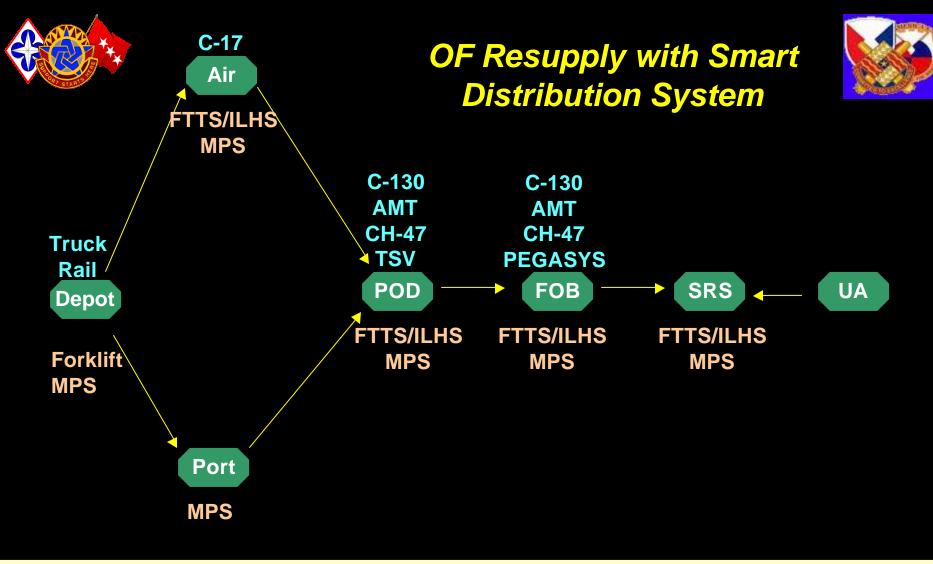
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Air

OF Resupply without Smart Distribution System







	Handling Hours				
	APOE	APOD	FOB	SRS	Total
Clock	8.1	6.3	1.1	2.4	17.9
Equipment	22.7	11.0	15.2	48.0	96.8
Personnel	53.0	35.0 FOR OFFICIAL	15.2 USE ONLY	48.0	151.2





Smart benefits

	<u>Baseline</u>	<u>Smart</u>	<u>Change</u>
Clock Hours	38.5	17.9	-54%
Equipment Hours	311.0	96.8	-69%
Personnel Hours	515.3	151.2	-71%
Pallet Positions	120	80	-33%

Dramatic improvements in all areas!



RDTE 6.3 S&T Components



Intelligent Load Handling System

Technology challenges:

- Rugged, vehicle mounted, lightweight materials handling capability
- Precision placement capacity
- > High payload capability
- Lightweight to meet vehicle deployment restrictions





Modular Platform

Technology challenges:

- > Lightweight Materials
- > New design capabilities
- Structural integrity to provide for modular capability
- Meet design and survivability requirements for air drop





RDTE 6.6 Components



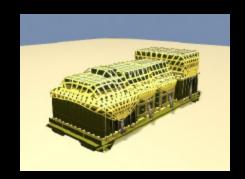
<u>Configured Load Building</u> <u>Software</u>



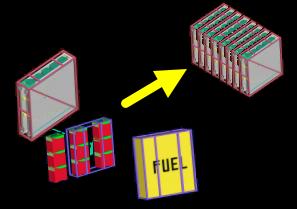
Vehicle Alignment System

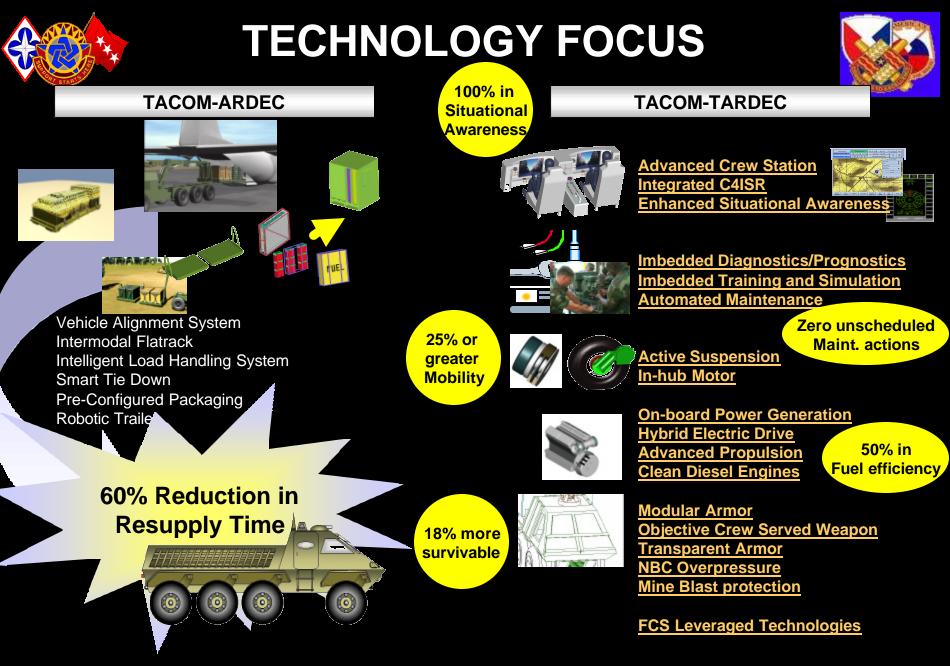


Smart Tiedown



Modular Packaging





GOAL: LEVERAGE FCS TECHNOLOGIES FOR BLOCK 1 FTTS

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Smart Distribution is a System of Systems addressing the supply and sustainment needs of the Objective Force on the future battlefield. Smart Distribution is enabling technology which breaks down traditional stovepipes-

...to deliver multiple classes of supply

...in mission configured loads

...across a noncontiguous battlefield

...with minimal material handling

Smart Distribution – A Revolution in Logistic Distribution





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