

NTE's Choice of the CMMI-ACQ ... 1 Year Later

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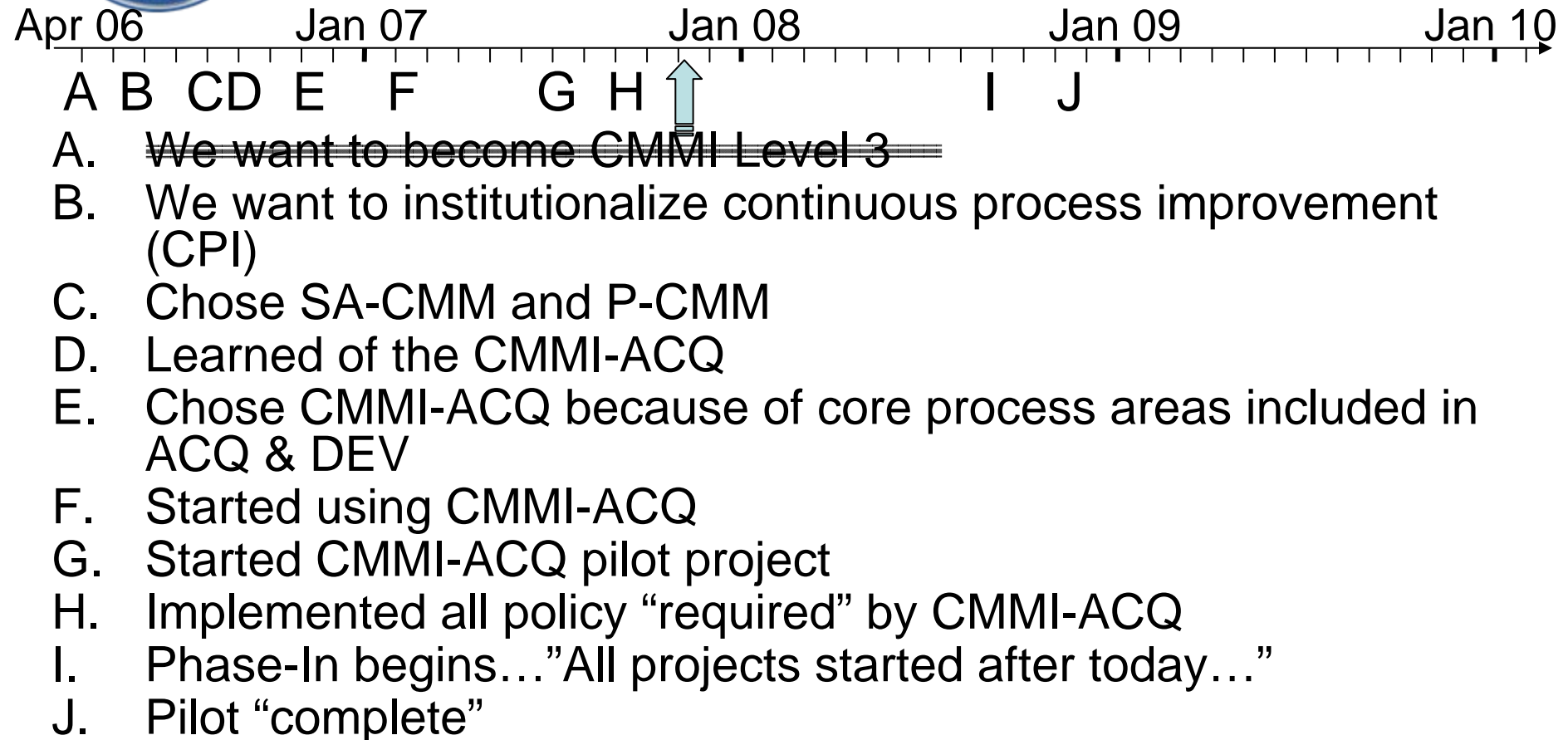




Who We Are

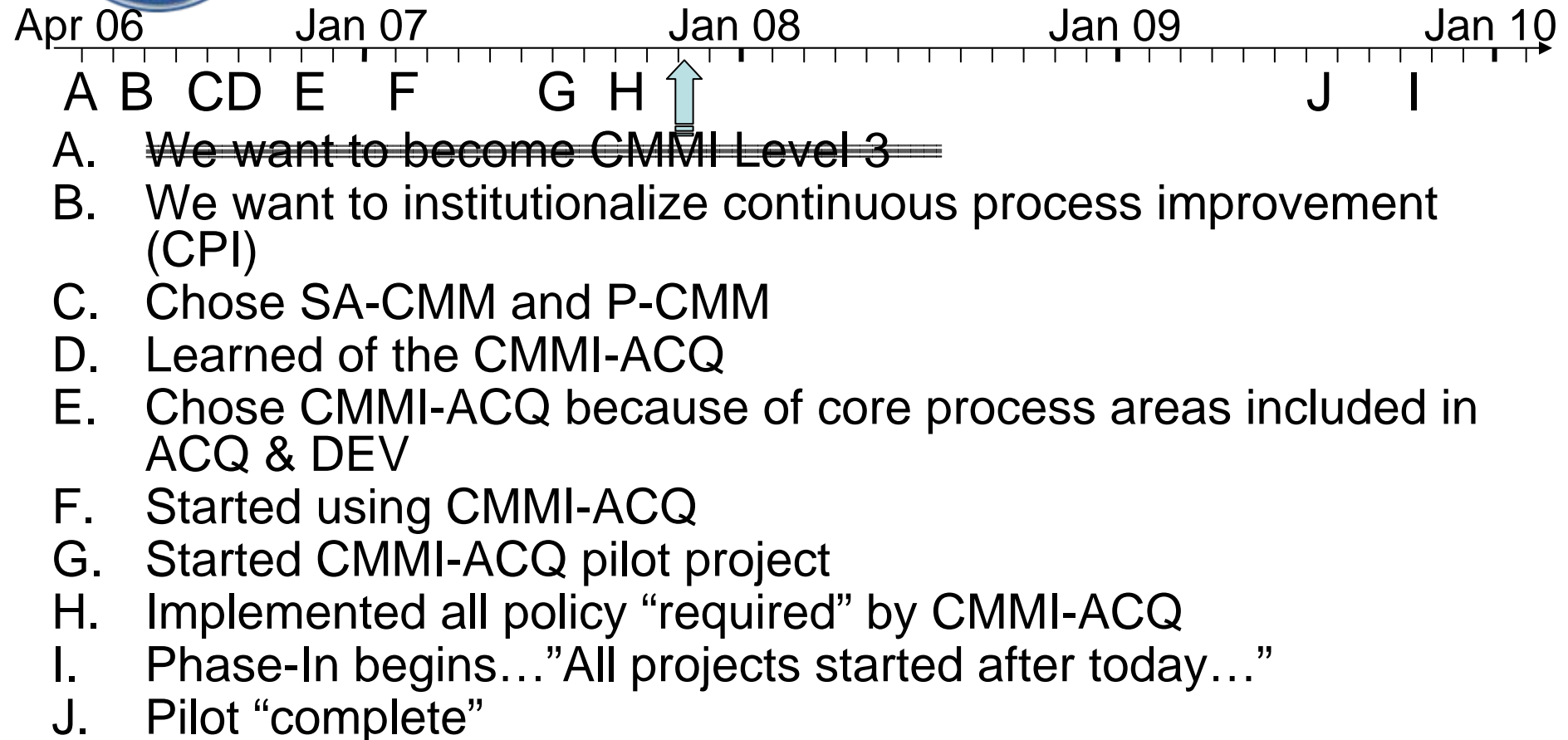
- Defense Agency
 - Acquire software
 - Fund studies
 - Integrate DoD tools
 - Integrate U.S. Government data
 - Provide toolset to DoD customers

How We Chose CMMI-ACQ (Last Year's Chart)



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How We Chose CMMI-ACQ (Update)



By 2014, ALL projects will be *operating* at CMMI-ACQ Level 5 & we’ll be figuring out what Level 6 looks like.



Impact on Suppliers/Vendors/Contractors

We Will Not:

- Do business as usual
- Say, “You must be Level X by (date)”
- Mandate any specific CPI paradigm
- Be vague about requirements
- Manage by seat of our pants
- Fix retroactively

We Will:

- *Ensure* best value
- Say, “Show me your CPI plan *and progress*”
- Require *some* CPI paradigm but encourage CMMI-DEV
- Give me a WBS w/ costs for each item
- Manage via EVMS
- Start w/ new contracts



Focus raised an echelon



- Higher Ranking Sponsor



Lessons Learned

- Change of focus is not necessarily good but can be...it depends on your perspective
- Changing PIT (Process Improvement Team...or any other group) will set you back at least a year
- Process mapping software helps show roles, provide continuity, and keep documents short--small is good...1-2 pages for each process

- Most CPI (continuous process improvement) efforts fail due to proper management support



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