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Session VI
T&E Workforce & Resources Summary
Brief #1
Today’s and Tomorrow’s DoD T&E Acquisition Workforce

• Observations:
  – Fairly wide disparity between the % of military in the T&E workforce between the Army, Navy, and Air Force.
  – A significant % of the workforce will be at the retirement age in the next 10 years.
    • Will result in a “brain drain” in the workforce.
  – Current economy situation may lesson the pending “brain drain”.
• Observations (cont...)  
  – Data used indicates the workforce has remained relatively stable over the last 4 years.  
    • However, the contractor workforce was not included in this data.  
    • What % of the total workforce does this account for?  
    • Lack of contractor data may prove this to be inaccurate.  
    • Contractor workforce is always the first to increase or decrease due to the ebb and flow in funding and workload.  
  – Changes in DoDI 5000.02 will drive changes in the T&E workforce.
Brief #2
The DOD Strategic Plan for T&E Resources

• Defense Test Resource Management Center (DTRMC)
  – Oversees all aspects of MRTFB T&E facilities resources.
    • Coordinates operational budgets
    • Investments (CTEIP & I&M) for facility infrastructure.
  – Responsible for generating the high level strategic plan for T&E resources.
  – Several key infrastructure shortfall focus areas appear to be on “Evolving Threats” including:
    • Directed Energy test capability
    • Chem/Bio test capability
    • Nuclear EMP effects testing capability
    • IED and Counter IED testing capability
  – Coordinating with each Service to develop a viable and executable strategic plan to ensure maximum utilization of available resources.