

# FY02 DON Pilot Project Summary

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**Project Name:** Naval Construction Forces Seabee Link (#322)

**Command:** USMC

**Functional Area Manager (FAM):** Command-Control-Communications

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## **Pilot Summary:**

This project provides platform-independent communications software to run on a Personal Digital Assistant (PDA), providing a mobile computing solution for our warfighters in a tactical environment. Connecting PDA's to tactical radios gives the Navy and Marine Corps the ability to securely transmit encrypted data files to forward positions and units to respond back to Command Headquarters and other deployed field units.

## **Business Value Added:**

- Simplifies cable management and inventory by using a single standard cable system
- Reduces customer wait time and increases readiness
- Available to all Military Forces using tactical radios
- Provides remote desktop software functionality

## **Other Considerations:**

- Cable system developed is extensible all other systems requiring data communications with deployed units
- This pilot system was used in Operation Iraqi Freedom by the U.S. Marine Corps

## **Pilot Participants:**

- Naval Mobile Construction Battalions
- Underwater Construction Teams
- Naval Facilities Engineering Command

## **Targeted Users:**

- Navy Seabees
- USMC
- NAVFAC Headquarters