ARM Climate Research Facility Operations Status System Upgrades & Enhancements Status

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ARM Science Team Meeting – March 2006

- Progress Report
- Demonstration
- Discussion?





Background

Before we go on...

- Who is my Audience?
- Do I need to explain OSS' Purpose?





Background

OSS Meeting, July 2005 Argonne National Laboratory

- ECO-00432
- Late 2004/Early 2005 Requirements Analysis
- Operations Managers, OSS Users Present
- Problems Reviewed & Solutions Offered
- Future Features/Modules Discussed
- Path Forward Outlined w/ Schedule
- Calibration Module Requirement Removed





Status

- December 2005 Target
- Underestimated Effort
- Other Issues
 - Competing Priorities (AMF support)
 - Post Argonne Meeting Requirements Gathering
 - "Slots/Instruments" Discussion
 - Other Issues
 - Network Problems at TWPO (2 weeks)
- Found New Bugs
- So When?





Bug Fixes

- Known
 - New System/Component didn't "baseline" event
- Discovered
 - State History Report Errors
 - Other changes drove solution
 - Minor Bugs
 - Cosmetic
 - No affect on State History





Areas for Improvement

- Cumbersome Event Entry
- Site Navigation
- Need to Edit and Delete Events
- Better Support for working w/ "Components"
- Viewing Event Histories





Areas for Improvement (continued)

- Integration with Site Ops DBs
 - SGP & NSA OMIS
 - TWP OMS
 - These would "feed" OSS
- "OSS Driver" Requirements
 - How "feed" occurs
 - In progress (started last fall)





- "Areas for Improvement" (continued)
- Documentation
 - User
 - Technical?
- Performance Issues





- Required Database Changes
 - Components Table (redesign)
 - Systems Table (enhanced)
 - Events Table (enhanced)
 - State Table (redesign)
 - Planning for Future
 - Enhancements
 - New Modules, e.g., Shipping





■ Database Changes → Conversion Strategy

- Can't lose anything from existing Database
- Components and Attributes (old)
 - Two Tables
 - Flexible design to accommodate OMIS, OMS differences
 - Disadvantages to using this approach
- Components w/ Attributes (new)
 - One table w/ previous related attributes added
 - More specific attributes





- Known Bugs are Fixed
- Event Entry Improved
 - Verification Step removed
 - Return to Entry Form on Completion
 - Editing enabled
 - Deleting enabled
 - Sacrifice real-time State History Updates (barely)
- Site Navigation Improved
 - Redesign
 - Real Estate Full Screen Width
 - Consistent Navigation Element Placement





- New "Component" Model
 - Components don't have to be assigned to a parent system (Spares, Shipped, Out for Repair)
 - Can change parent system assignment
 - May solve the "Slots/Instruments" debate
 - Provides utility to "fill in blanks" re: Inventory
 - Provides Framework for completed Inventory System
 - Basic, but capable Search Tools
- Event Histories
 - For Sites
 - For Systems
 - For Components





- Database Conversion
 - Tools are in place
 - Process is automated but...
 - ... run manually w/ checks in between steps
 - Takes less than an hour
- Current DB will need to be off-line (1 day)
- Will happen shortly before release





Progress Report – To Do

Before we can release...

- Finish Site/Facility Wide Event Entry
 - Edit/Delete Issues
- Basic Event Search Tool
- Documentation (On-line Help)
- ARM Release Issues (Change Platform)
- Test in Production Environment?





What won't be in this release...

- Requested Double Event Entry Interface
 - Recent Improvements May Remove Need
- Complete Inventory Module
 - Movement Inventory Location History
 - Next Release
- Advanced Search Tools
 - Need Feedback from Users
- Integration w/ Site Ops DBs





Metrics?

- Next Release
- Data Dependent
 - Systems/Components w/ 1 "baseline" event
 - No State Changes = No (Meaningful) Metrics
 - Don't track those Systems and Components?





Future Plans

- Complete Inventory Module
 - Track Movement
 - Location Histories
 - Ability to link Photos of Systems/Components
 - Automate Tracking?
- Shipping Module?
 - Automate Tracking?
- Integrate w/ Site Ops DBs





Conclusion

- Questions?
- Sign-up for ECO
- On my USB Drive
 - This Presentation
 - Rough Draft of Ops DB Integration "Driver" Contract
 - Other information



