



FiReControl & Firelink PROJECT UPDATE Issue 22 : Oct 2008

FIRECONTROL PROJECT UPDATE

1 National FiReControl Project Update

Project Timescales – due to issues with confirmation of the hardware solution being delivered by EADS and access to the Airwave infrastructure for testing it became clear that timescales for the project would have to be revised. Re-worked timelines should be available soon.

RCC Infrastructure - installation has commenced with the large Control Room Audio Visual screens in the first three RCCs – SW, EM and NE .

Data Collection & Migration Toolkit V1 (DCMT1) – The application was installed in Tyne and Wear and Staffordshire FRSs under the current arrangements of early adopters using the 'un-assured' release. A 3rd User Acceptance Testing (UAT) event took place on 22 and 23 October.

MDT1A –Prototyping workshops were held at RCCs in the North East, East Midlands and South West to demonstrate the functionality of the prototype MDT1A and obtain feedback from the user community.

The product demonstrated the following key areas of functionality:

- Mapping
- Access to SOP information
- Hydrant data
- Automotive Hazard data
- Chemical Hazard data

2 Regional FiReControl Project Update

Attribute based Mobilising - The trial continues in Derbyshire FRS of "translating" existing PDAs into Action Plans and PDAs as required for the FireControl System. The outcomes from this trial should be available in November.

Station End Equipment Surveys – FRSs in the Region are currently working towards agreeing a schedule of station survey dates with EADS for the FiReControl Station End Equipment (SEE). Surveys could commence in December subject to the provision of the required information from FRSs to EADS to facilitate the survey process.



Control Room Seminars - the seminars planned for October and November were postponed due to information not being sufficiently advanced through the formal consultation process. It is hoped to hold a replacement event in January / February 09 when more information will be available to give to staff.

3 Local Authority Controlled Company (LACC) Update

Board Meeting 16 will be held on 30th October and at the time of writing no update is available. This will be provided in next month's update.

If you have any questions about the FiReControl Project please contact :
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FIRELINK PROJECT UPDATE

1. National Firelink Progress

Phase A Closedown – Firelink Commercial will negotiate the detailed Phase A Closedown Settlement with Airwave .

Phase B Launch - allowing for the 4 week Notice Period requested by FRSs for rollout preparation, Phase B rollout will start on 24 Nov in the SW Region with other regions following on. A revised high level Schedule, has been sent to all Regional Delivery Teams.

2. Regional Firelink Progress

Derbyshire FRS Phase B- planning is underway to work towards a full operational Rollout commencing on the 1st December 08.

Rest of Region Phase B - scheduled to commence in the New Year

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