

# Dynamic Tactical Communications Networks (DTCN) Enabling Capability Industry Day Opening Remarks



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# What is an EC?

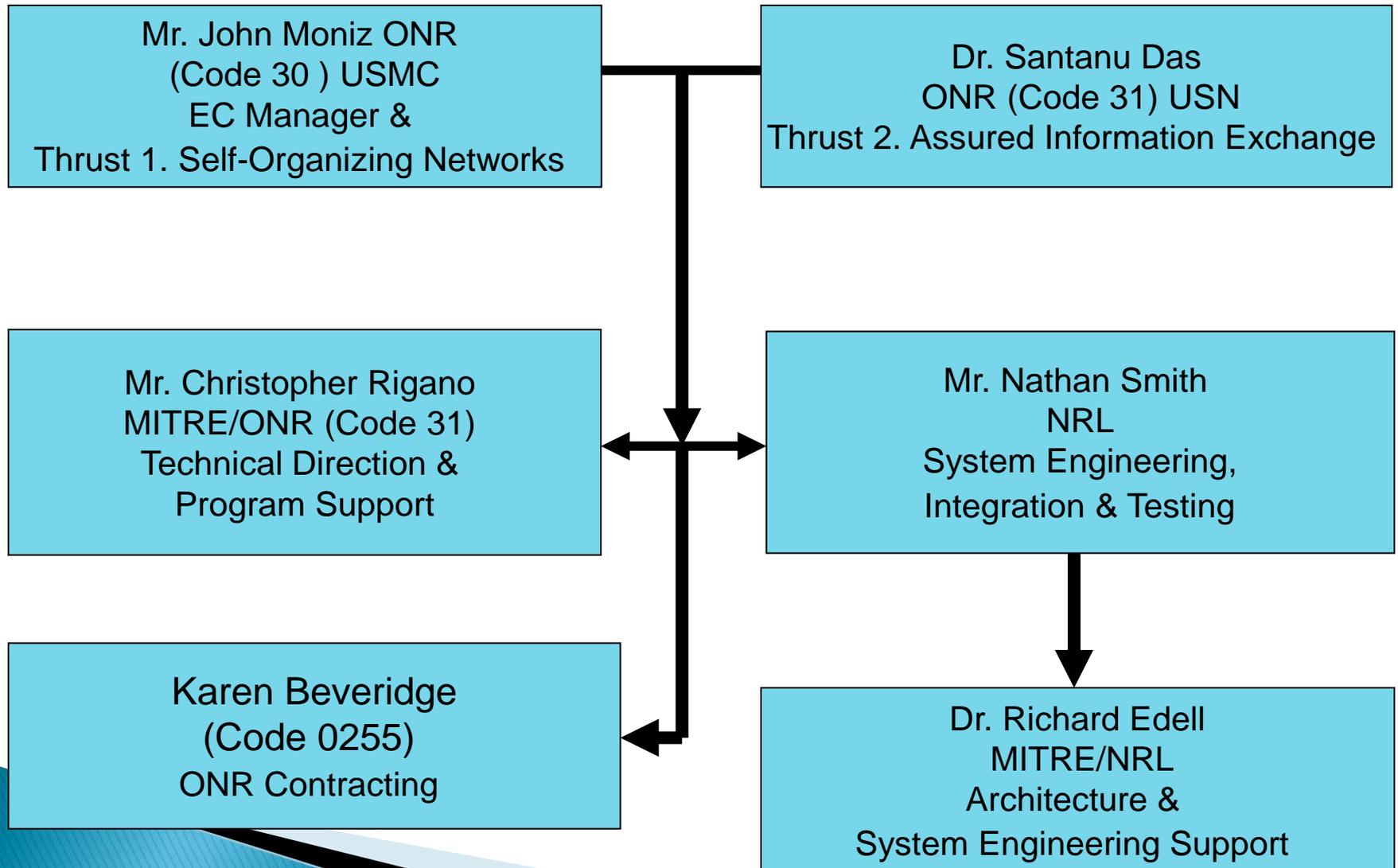
## **An Enabling Capability (EC) is/are:**

- ▶ Technologies at a Technical Readiness Level (TRL) such that it has undergone analytical and experimental critical function and/or characteristic proof-of concept (TRL 3 or higher)
- ▶ Fills defined naval requirement and resource sponsor needs
- ▶ Can be matured to System prototyping demonstration in an operational environment (TRL 6-7)
- ▶ Is accepted for transition to a Program of Record (PoR) the Fleet/USMC using PoR Transition Funds

## **An EC transitions to a program of record through Technology Transfer Agreements (TTA). There are three Levels A, B, C:**

- ▶ **Level C TTA** – Required in the first year of S&T development. It explains the intentions of the requirements/resource sponsor, science and technology sponsor and acquisition program sponsor (Signed 2009)
- ▶ **Level B TTA** – Required at the end of the first year of S&T execution. The Level B represents an increased commitment from the requirements/resource sponsor, science and technology sponsor to develop, deliver, and integrate the product into an acquisition program (In-Review Process for July, 2010)
- ▶ **Level A TTA** – Required by 01 July before the last year of S&T execution. It is the final and full commitment of the requirements/resource sponsor, science and technology sponsor, and acquisition program sponsor to develop, deliver and integrate an FNC Product into an acquisition program.  
**(The final Step and Measure of Success!)**

# DTCN Team



# What is DTCN?

- ▶ **Naval Capability (FNC)**
  - Office of Naval Research (ONR) EC program
  - Period of performance from FY09 to FY13
  - TTA with OPNAV N2/N6 Requirements Sponsors & PMW-160 Automated Digital Networking System (ADNS) PoR.
  - Systems Engineering, Integration and Test Supported by NRL
  
- ▶ **EC Objective:**
  - Provide the additional IP communications amongst tactical users within a limited area of responsibility (AOR) without critical dependencies upon resources from the wide area network (WAN) [i.e., outside of the AOR] for mission essential applications

# Why do we need DTCN?

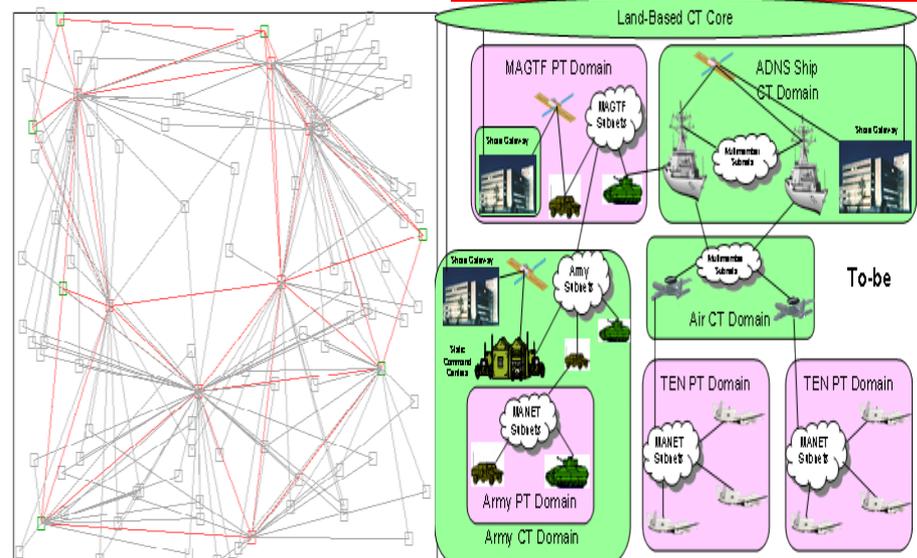
Our environment has unique challenges not found in the commercial environment

- ▶ Topology & bandwidth changes
- ▶ Desire to use same network for critical and non-critical applications
- ▶ Mix of radios as technologies and CONOPS evolve
- ▶ Multiple Security Domains (NIPR, SIPR, JWICS, etc)
- ▶ Continuity of Operations in LOS and BLOS within Areas of Operation and reachback mechanisms for improved C4ISR under near-peer threats

# Key DTCN Focus

- ▶ Traffic Management
  - Aligning many mechanisms, across layers, to prioritize critical applications (vs. mainstream Internet “max–min fairness”)
  - Functions in environment with dynamic bandwidth (vs. dependence upon Class–Based Weighted Fair Queuing (CBWFQ))
- ▶ First–class solutions
  - Routing protocols to react to environment changes

# FNT-09-02 DTCN EC Summary



## Gaps/Requirements

- Range of WarfareC2 (ROWC2) Tactical IP
- Network Operation Without Space (NOWS) Tactical IP
- Expeditionary warfare - Networking-On-The-Move

## Warfighter Pay-off

- Adapt to available links of opportunity to assure priority movement of critical data within the Area of Responsibility (AOR) and through reachback gateway networks when available
- Ensure timely exchange of Critical C2 (Chat, Situation Awareness, email, files, Video, etc)
- Shortened kill chain through Ad-Hoc re-tasking and targeting of warriors, weapons and sensors
- Enabling tactical IP services proliferation through a reliable communications to support Naval Tactical Ops.

## Objective:

Provide the IP routing infrastructure network communication amongst tactical users within a limited naval area of responsibility (AOR) without critical dependencies upon resources from the wide area network (WAN) [i.e., outside of the AOR] with minimum human intervention:

- **Thrust 1 Self-Organizing Networks (SON):** Traffic Management Policy *Management*; Dynamic Network Core; Radio-Router Interface; minimum of human intervention
- **Thrust 2 Assured Information Exchange (AIE):** Traffic Management Policy *Enforcement*; Asymmetric Networks; WAN Access via Tactical Core; In-Line Network Encryptor (INE) Support / Adaptation

## Product 1. Self-Organizing Networks and Product 2 Assured Information Candidate Platforms:

Routers and Cross-Links: ADNS Future Capabilities, Networking on The Move (NOTM)

Heterogeneous Routing among Radios

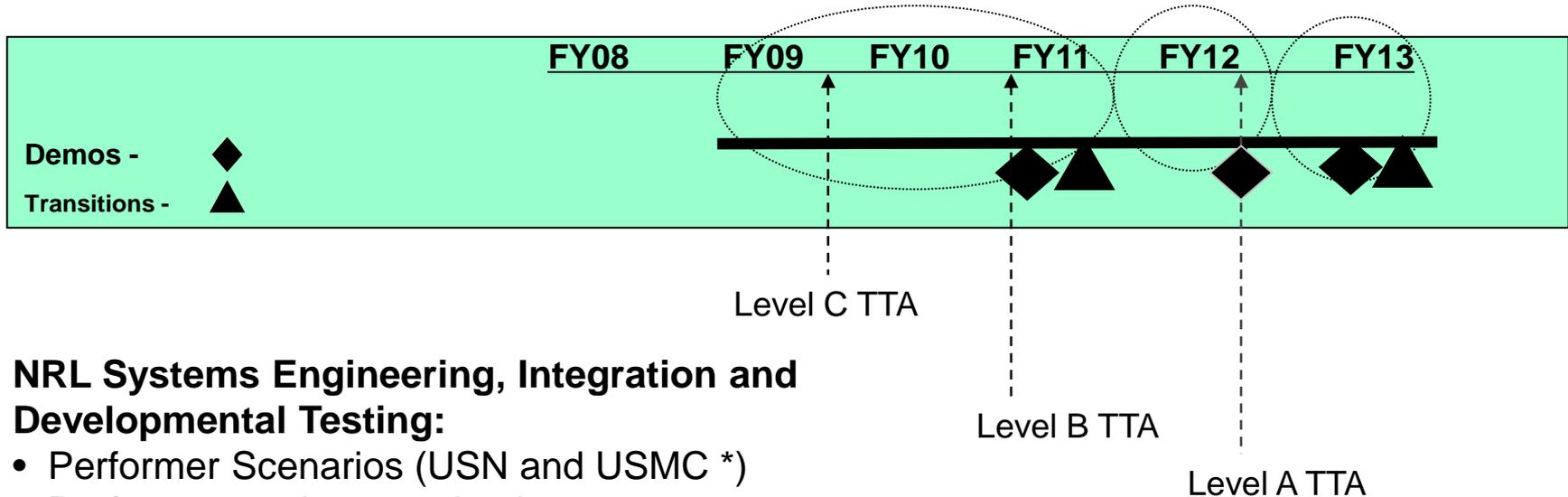


# DTCN Spiral Overview

- ▶ Spiral 1 (FY10/11):
  - Basic Connectivity (single routing domain core)
  - Traffic Management (TM) Policy Enforcement
- ▶ Spiral 2 (FY12):
  - Enhanced Connectivity (multi routing domain core)
  - WAN Connectivity via Tactical Core
- ▶ Spiral 3 (FY13):
  - Asymmetric Networks (“Split-IP”)
  - TM Policy Management/Monitoring

# Notional Schedule and Spirals

Spiral 1      Spiral 2      Spiral 3



## NRL Systems Engineering, Integration and Developmental Testing:

- Performer Scenarios (USN and USMC \*)
- Performer products evaluation
- Performer product integration
- Performer and Resource sponsor accessible simulation and modeling
- Demo and Transitions coordination and execution

USMC has no current TTA.