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## Message from the PM

It has been a little over three months since my installment as the PM of TC AIMS II. I'd like to use this opportunity to start what I plan to be a regular and fruitful dialogue with you, whether you are a customer, a sponsor or a person who is in any other way interested in helping realize the promise of an improved deployment system.

As I write this, the recent tragedies wrought by the cowardly terrorist attack on America is very much fresh on my mind. These events are not abstractions--something awful that's happened in a distant place to people we don't really know. No. Sadly, many of us here in TC ACCIS & TC AIMS II have lost acquaintances, friends or neighbors. Yet, one does not even need to personally know someone victimized to be deeply affected. The thousands of innocent lives were lost only because they were Americans, therefore, in a fashion, all Americans were attacked.

Still the acrid smell hangs in the air in the nation's capital and it joins our other senses so assaulted by this unprovoked, diabolical act of war. What more powerful message could we have to remind us about the essential job we have been entrusted with? We renew our understanding that in order to serve the men and women on whom

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## The Deployer Mission Statement

The mission of the Deployer is two-fold:

To provide the current TC ACCIS community of system endusers, sponsors, and interested parties with useful information on technology, procedures, and organizational matters.

To provide information on the promise of an improved Defense Transportation System brought by TC-AIMS II. 

## Adherence to Security Requirements Stressed

To meet DOD security requirements, review both your current password and physical security procedures and make changes as necessary.

Recently security certification personnel conducted a risk assessment at a TC ACCIS site and determined that some minimum Army security requirements are not met in isolated cases. Specifically, password strength did not meet the standards as mandated by DOD and TC ACCIS system users did not always follow necessary security procedures.

The PMO is currently studying the most effective method to incorporate preventative measures against these weaknesses into a new version of the application, but until those measures are sent, to abide by DOD requirements, you must follow these guidelines:

- 1) Passwords will be a minimum of 8 characters in length. At least 2 of those characters will be numeric or special characters.
- 2) Passwords will be changed at a minimum every 180 days or when the user determines a compromise of that password may have taken place.

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## Comes On Line With TC ACCIS

The North Carolina National Guard, which used TC ACCIS in support of Desert Shield, Desert Storm, Restore Democracy, Restore Hope and Joint Endeavor, finally became an active stand-alone site on July 16, 2001. The NCNG had been a satellite site off of Ft. Bragg, NC since 1992.

CW2 William Reid Freeman, the Defense Movement Coordinator and SFC Wanda Lewis, Unit Movements Coordinator for the NCNG worked closely with Ft. Bragg to ensure that the Guard's Unit Equipment Lists reflect an accurate accountability for planning purposes.

The NCNG made this decision in anticipation of large scale exercises to both Ft. Riley, KS and Ft. Irwin, CA in the 2d Qtr of FY 2003.

NCNG's new system is a Compaq Proliant Model ML570, with Pentium III Xeon 700MHz dual processors, 512 MB Ram, 12MB Cache and 9.1 GB Disk Drives. The Proliant Model ML570 is capable of transferring and sharing information with the existing Compaq 4500/5000/5500 series currently used by TC ACCIS.

We welcome the NCNG to the TC ACCIS family. ☺

### AN IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT REGARDING POD CODES

We have recently modified the Military Shipment Label (MSL) screen to allow the user to add an OPTIONAL input for the Port of Debarkation (POD) field on the MSL Unit Move screen TRD005. The user can now enter the POD code in the POD field. Only the POD code will be printed on the MSL. The Port Name, State/Country will not print on the MSL. ☺



**CAUTION:** The POD must not be printed out on the MSL for classified moves

## TC ACCIS End User Manual Posted to the Web

The TC ACCIS End User Manual is now available on Web at <http://belvoir-tcaccis.army.mil>

In order to view the End user Manual, Adobe® Acrobat® Reader® software must be downloaded and installed on your workstation. You may download Acrobat Reader from <http://www.adobe.com>

1. Scroll to the right and go to bottom of page.
2. Select: 
3. Move to bottom of page and select: <Get Acrobat Reader>.
4. Follow the prompts and three steps to download software to workstation.

The TC ACCIS End User Manual will be the first of several documents we will be posting to our web page. ☺

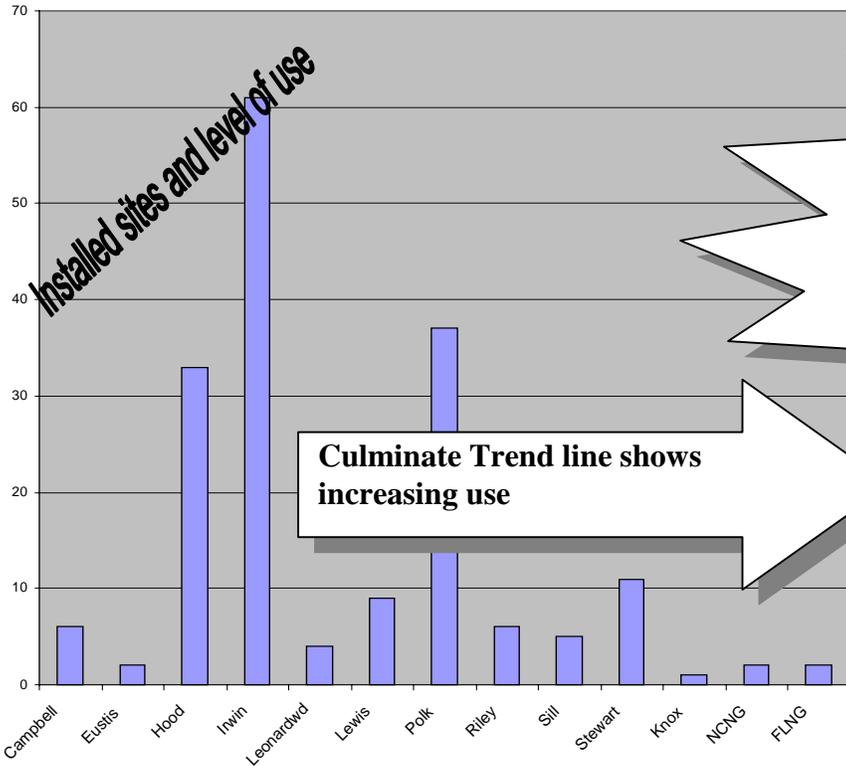
## TC ACCIS assumes Tier 1 TC AIMS II Customer Service Responsibilities

PMO TC ACCIS has assumed the TC AIMS II Tier 1 help desk responsibilities. Tier 1 is the initial customer point of entry, the first place to contact to begin the process of both solving any difficulties you may have with TC AIMS II and getting your questions answered. The Tier 1 organization will first work with you to discover the nature of your problem or question. We anticipate that, for most issues, your needs can be met at this stage. If they cannot, the problem will be quickly referred to other levels of technicians (i.e., greater than Tier 1).

This organization of customer service work assignments will help us deliver the most efficient and effective service to you. Under this concept, you will see "one face" for assistance with your deployment system. If your help desk contact involves the most common and basic issues, for example, issues regarding the installation process, logins, screen navigation, the creation and transmission of routine reports and the interpretation of most outputs, you will get the help you need from the Tier 1 organization. Even if your needs are beyond this scope, the Tier 1 organization will work with you to identify the problem or requirement (often

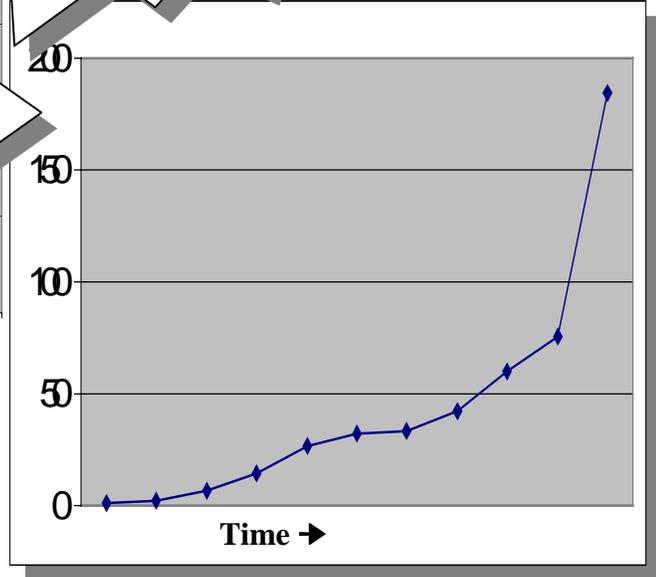
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# TC ACCIS-PowerTrack Interface Usage Soars



Carriers so far:  
**Burlington Northern**  
**Santa Fe, CSX**  
**Transportation, Kansas**  
**City Southern, PAL and**  
**Union Pacific**

Culminate Trend line shows increasing use



## SCAC for BNSF Changed

Please note that the correct SCAC for Burlington Northern Santa Fe is **BNSF**. The SCAC BN is no longer in use. 🖨️



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we depend for our common defense we must build powerful, reliable, capable and robust tools. Moreover, we must continue to support the systems on which we would now depend to both deploy and provide leadership visibility of that deployment. I want you to know that I keep the vital mission, that are the underpinnings of our systems, very much in mind as I go forward, with you, in building TC AIMS II.

We are halfway through our Government Software Qualification Testing as a prerequisite for entering the final Operational Test of the TC-AIMS II initial capability. All indications point to a successful series of tests, which will then allow us to start fielding in March 2002. We plan to build upon this successful product by starting a development effort for enhanced, web-enabled, unit move and deployment capabilities this winter. We should field that follow-on product starting around May 2003. Although the TC-AIMS II program has a sordid background for many reasons, it will soon be evident that the program, and product, is on firm footing and is well-postured to support the current and emerging user community needs. 🖨️



In 1921, an unknown World War I American soldier was buried in Arlington National Cemetery. This site, on a hillside overlooking the Potomac River and the city of Washington, became the focal point of reverence for America's veterans.

Similar ceremonies occurred earlier in England and France, where an Unknown Soldier was buried in each nation's highest place of honor (in England, Westminster Abbey; in France, the Arc de Triomphe). These memorial gestures all took place on November 11, giving universal recognition to the celebrated ending of World War I fighting at 11 a.m., November 11, 1918 (the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month). The day became known as "Armistice Day".

November 11, is the anniversary of the Armistice, which was signed in the Forest of Compiègne by the Allies and the Germans in 1918, ending World War I, after four years of conflict. At 5 A.M. on Monday, November 11, 1918 the Germans signed the Armistice, an order was issued for all firing to cease, so the hostilities of the First World War ended.

Armistice Day officially received its name in America in 1926 through a congressional resolution. In 1927 Congress issued a resolution requesting President Calvin Coolidge to issue a proclamation calling upon officials to display the Flag of the United States on all government buildings on November 11, and inviting the people to observe the day in schools and churches. But it was not until 1938 that Congress passed a bill that each November 11 *"shall be dedicated to the cause of world peace and ...hereafter celebrated and known as Armistice Day."*

It became a national holiday 12 years later by similar congressional action. If the idealistic hope had been realized that World War I was "the War to end all Wars," November 11 might still be called Armistice Day. But only a few years after the holiday was proclaimed, war broke out in Europe. Sixteen and one-half million Americans took part. Four hundred seven thousand of them died in service, more than 292,000 in battle. After World War II, there were many new veterans who had little or no association with World War I. The word, "armistice," means simply a truce; therefore as years passed, the significance of the name of this holiday changed. Leaders of Veterans' groups decided to try to correct this and make November 11 the time to honor all who had fought in various American wars, not just in World War I.

Realizing that veterans of WW II and Korea equally preserved peace, Congress was requested to make this day an occasion to honor those who have served America in all wars. In 1954 President Eisenhower signed a bill proclaiming November 11 as **Veterans Day**.

On Memorial Day 1958, two more unidentified American war dead were brought from overseas and interred in the plaza beside the unknown soldier of World War I. One was killed in World War II, the other in the Korean War. In 1973, a law passed providing interment of an unknown American from the Vietnam War, but none was found for several years. In 1984, an unknown serviceman from that conflict was placed alongside the others. To honor these men, symbolic of all Americans who gave their lives in all wars, an Army honor guard, the 3d U.S. Infantry (The Old Guard), keeps day and night vigil.

A law passed in 1968 changed the national commemoration of Veterans Day to the fourth Monday in October. It soon became apparent, however, that November 11 was a date of historic significance to many Americans. Therefore, in 1978 Congress returned the observance to its traditional date. ☐

# Technical Tips

## Accessing TC ACCIS through EWAN

**Problem:** The version of "telnet" that comes with Windows95 does not allow the TC ACCIS user to add, modify, or delete loads for Vehicles and Special Handling. Specifically, the user cannot exit (either with **ESC**, **CTRL-C**, or **F9**) the Loads section of the Equipment List screen (FICEUF012) after having added, modified, or deleted loads.

**NOTE:** The Function keys in this version of "telnet" are emulated, such that **CTRL-O = F6**, **CTRL-N = F9**

**Solution:** From Shareware, there is an Ewan version of "telnet" which allows the user to use the Function keys (**F1 - F9**) [less **F5**] within the TC ACCIS application.

To download and install the EWAN version of "telnet" to your Personal Computer (PC) with Windows95 or Windows 3.1 and access to the Internet, follow these instructions:

1. Logon to the Internet and go to:  
**http://www.shareware.com**
2. Do a **Quick Search** on EWAN.
3. Select **ewan1052.zip**.
4. Select a location from which to download data.  
Suggestion: If you are in the USA use any USA site.
5. Download the file to your PC. Keep track of where you download the **ewan1052.zip** file.
6. If your PC has a program to unzip files, you can unpack it. (Do not use pkzip if your OS is Windows95). If not, download an unzip program from **http://www/shareware.com**
7. Search for either:  
**Winzip95.exe** for Windows95 or  
**Winzip31.exe** for earlier versions of Windows
8. Download and install the unzip program.

9. Use the unzip program to unzip the **ewan1052.zip** file to a temporary directory: **C:\tmp**

10. Install **ewan1052**. It will create its own directory.

Once installed, to setup and access EWAN you must complete the following steps:

Click on: **Start**  
**Programs**  
**EWAN-winstockTelnet**  
**EWAN**

Cancel opening screen: **CONNECT TO SITE**

Click on: **Options**  
**Edit Configuration**  
**New**  
Name the configuration, for example  
**TCACCIS**.

Click on **OK**.  
**Keyboard**  
Highlight **VT100KEY.KEY**. Click on the right arrow key to put your selection in **Used Mappings**. Click on **OK** four times.

Click on: **Options**  
**Edit keymap files**

At the **Keyboard** window, select **VT100key.key**.

Click on: **Edit**  
At the **Keymap** window, go to the **Key** field  
Select **"S"**.

The **Keyboard Sampler** window will open up with:

**Press a key**  
Press the **F11** function key on your keyboard.  
Put your cursor in the **Send as:** field.  
In this field, type: **^[[21~**

Click on: **Add**  
**OK**  
**Done**

Click on: **File**  
**Open**  
The **Connect to site** window will open up

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Click on: **New**

The **Address** window will open up.

Enter the following information:

<b>Name</b>	(i.e. Belvoir)
<b>Network address</b>	(111.111.11.1)
<b>Configuration</b>	Select <b>TC ACCIS</b>

Click on: **OK**

Click on **OK** to connect to the site that was just added.

If you have any questions with the download of this free Shareware software, please call the RAM hotline at 1-703-923-1060. ☎

## E-Mailing AUELs/DELS

TC ACCIS offers you the ability to mail your AUELs/DELS to a user. The procedures to do so are as follows:

### 1. Equipment List

The user must first create the print file in the FORSCOM Format. On the TC ACCIS Main Menu, select menu option:

- 1 – **Equipment List Processing**
- 4 – **Equipment List Reports**
- 1 – **Equipment List Report –**

Select **FORSCOM Format**

Enter the **Type Data Code**, then press **ESC**

Select the **UIC** by placing an “**X**” in the selection field.

Enter your **Sort Selection**.

Select option: **2 – File/Diskette**

You will be asked to enter a 3 character ID, then press **ESC**.

This print file can be e-mailed to any user.

### 2. **File name and directory**

To mail a specific file you must know the name of the file and the directory where it resides. The following procedures must be performed at a UNIX prompt. If you do not have UNIX privileges, please contact your systems administrator for assistance.

To retrieve the specific file you want to e-mail, at the UNIX prompt type: ☎

**ls -lt /trans/tcaccis/comm/ael | more**

Select the most recent file created (by date) with the 3 character ID. This file will be at the top of the list. It is important to write the specific file name down. The file name will be: **prtnnnnn.xxx**

The ‘**nnnnn**’ represents a number and ‘**xxx**’ represents the 3 character ID. For example: **prt25660.rss**. Write the path and file name down on a piece of paper.

### 3. Electronic Mail

On the TC ACCIS Main Menu, select menu option:

- 9 - **Electronic Mail**
- 2 - **Pine Check Mail**

From the Pine main menu, select **C – Compose Message**.

You will see:

**To** :  
**Cc** :  
**Attchmnt** :  
**Subject**

At the **To:** (and **Cc**) line, enter the name and address of the recipient(s), for example:

**oges@peostamis.belvoir.army.mil**

At the **Attchmnt** : line, enter **Ctrl-J (Attach)**.

At the bottom of the screen a message **File to attach:** appears

Enter the file path, for example:

**/trans/tcaccis/comm/ael/prtnnnnnn.xxx**

Then, press **return**

Enter the **Subject** : line and press return.

Enter **Ctrl-X** to send the message. The system will ask you if you want to send the message, select **Y (Yes)**.

Your message has been sent.

If you have any questions, please call the RAM hotline at 1-703-923-1060. ☎

# Transitions



## New Personnel at Ft Knox, Kentucky

We welcome Ms. Phyllis Stewart to the Unit Move section where she will be working with Cheryl Cantrill. She comes from the Motor pool where she worked for 13 years, 8 years as the manager. She is excited about her new duties, and has been reading the End User Manual in order to get herself acquainted with TC ACCIS. ☐

## Contractors Chosen To Support TC-AIMS II

On 4 Sep 01, the Program Executive Office, Standard Army Management Information System (PEO STAMIS) awarded Blanket Purchase Agreements to KPMG and TITAN to provide Program Management Support. As a system developed under PEO STAMIS purview, these companies will work with the JPMO to provide acquisition logistics, administrative support, cost estimation and financial management, fielding preparation, accreditation, contracting support, and test and evaluation.

Titan, headquartered in San Diego is a "leading diversified technology company dedicated to creating, building and launching technology-based businesses offering innovative technical solutions to global markets" ([www.titan.com](http://www.titan.com)).

KPMG Consulting headquartered in McLean VA is a multinational firm providing enterprise integration, process improvement and thought leadership services. ([www.KPMGConsulting.com](http://www.KPMGConsulting.com)).

KPMG Consulting's major team members include L3/EER, Calibre and KEI Pearson. TITAN's major team includes AMS and FC Business Systems. These contractors join the current TC AIMS II to provide the full range of skills to develop, test and maintain TC AIMS II. ☐

## James Wynn Activated

The TC ACCIS Government Functional Analyst, James Wynn, has been activated to support operation Noble Endeavor. James, a LTC in the reserves, has been with TC ACCIS since December 2000, during which time he contributed to the effort to maintain a stable, responsive TC ACCIS system while advancing the promise of TC-AIMS II. We remark how the events of September 11 have unremittingly affected us, now involving the TC ACCIS team directly. To whatever mission James is set upon, we are assured that he will serve us well. We look forward to his safe return as we look forward to the abolishment of our common threat. God Speed, James. ☐



## SA/UMC leaves FT Meade, Maryland

Tracey Brooks has spent the past 2 1/2 years with the Freight / Unit Movement Section, Fort Meade MD. Ms. Brooks has accepted a new position in Dover, Delaware. Her last day at FT Meade was on Friday, 29 June 2001.

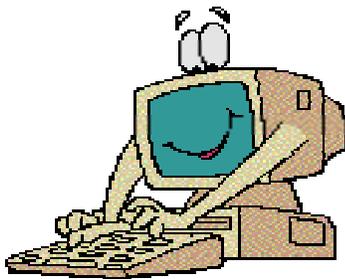
FT Meade Freight/UMO Section asks for your assistance and patience's during this transition and transference of current responsibilities. Below are the new points of contact for the Freight /Unit Movement Section, Fort Meade MD:

- (1) Lis Thurmon, Freight Rate Assistant: <mailto:thurmonl@emh1.ftmeade.army.mil>  
Building 2243, Pepper Road  
Phone (301) 677-9466 / 9468, Fax (301) 677-9436, DSN 923-xxxx
- (2) Jacqueline Sapp, Traffic Management Specialist:  
<mailto:boydj@emh1.ftmeade.army.mil>  
Building 2234, Huber Road  
Phone (301) 677-9702, Fax (301) 677-9683, DSN 923-xxxx
- (3) Samuel Rawlinson, Supervisor DOL Transportation Motor Pool: <mailto:rawlinsons@emh1.ftmeade.army.mil>  
Building P-69, Remount Road  
Phone (301) 677-7445, Fax (301) 677-5934, DSN 923-xxxx
- (4) Lynn Sasser, Director, Directorate of Logistics (DOL):  
<mailto:sasserl@emh1.ftmeade.army.mil>  
Building 2234, Huber Road, Fort Meade MD 20755  
Phone (301) 677-9146, DSN 923-xxxx

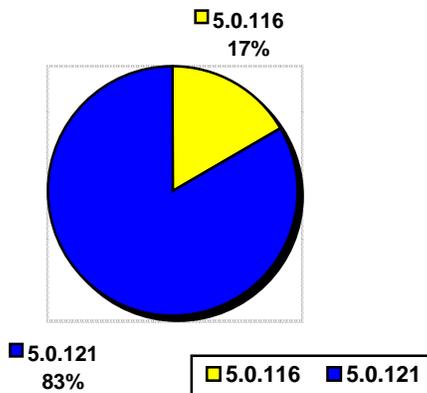
Ms. Brooks, thank you for the hard work and we at TC ACCIS wish you the best in your new position. ☐

## Update of TC ACCIS Urged

In every newsletter we update the **Current TC ACCIS Install** chart. This chart has not changed much in the past several months. We still have 7 sites working from version 5.0.116. It is very important that you upgrade as soon as possible to take advantage of the more recent reference data and the GATES interface. If you have misplaced your install tape, please contact us at the customer support number 703-923-1060. We will send you another tape. Please make the time to upgrade your system. ☐



## CURRENT TC ACCIS INSTALLS



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the trickiest part) and ensure the right people get involved. We see the existing PMO TC ACCIS organization as a natural fit for taking this role on. This is because there is a wealth of institutional knowledge here on systems, transportation, the deployment process and how these all work together. Moreover, we have had a good history of working with many of you. These relationships are valuable to our mutual mission of assisting the deployment of units to where they are needed. ☐

### *Security Requirements continued from page 1*

Although there have been no recently reported cases of physical intrusion, it is important to continue to comply with the following physical security mandates:

- 1) TC ACCIS facilities will be staffed with at least one TC ACCIS user at all times during duty hours. During non-duty hours, the facilities will be secured by lock and key to prevent unauthorized access to the system.
- 2) TC ACCIS systems will be protected as high dollar items and any loss or misappropriation of these systems will be reported to installation security personnel immediately. ☐

## E-Mail of the Deployer Newsletter

The TC ACCIS PM is requesting that all recipients of the TC ACCIS/TC-AIMS II newsletter FAX or e-mail their e-mail address to the TC ACCIS POC.

Newsletters will continue to be mailed to those who do not have e-mail available.

POC: Valerie Sparks (703) 923-1050  
 E-mail: [sparksv@peostamis.belvoir.army.mil](mailto:sparksv@peostamis.belvoir.army.mil)  
 FAX: (703) 923-1099 ☐

