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Systems Administrator Conference Call
April 21, 1998, 10:30 CST

Attendees: Attendance not taken.

A. Standards - Toby Wilson

The Tri-Service AEC Standards are available for viewing on the web at the Tri-Service Home Page (<http://tsc.wes.army.mil>). Also available is the Non-Graphic Data Standards. They will be available for comment until May 1, 1998. The contractor for the Tri-Service Workspace has the standards and the completed workspace should be available the beginning of July. Toby will check to see if the database of comments is available for viewing on the web.

B. A/E/C Systems Conference - John Kincaid

There will be a joint meeting of the SAC's and FAC's held in conjunction with the A/E/C Systems Conference in Chicago (June 2-5, 1998). The SAC will fund the chair and one other person from each FAC to attend. Anybody else wishing to attend will have to get their own. John is working to set up a Systems FAC meeting for one afternoon during the conference. Please e-mail him with the day that works best for you by 4/27/98. Bentley has agreed to host an afternoon session for the FAC's and Intergraph will be invited to come and give a presentation also.

C. EBS - John Kincaid, Roger Porzig

Mike Watson, Roger Porzig, Jim MacKenzie, John Kincaid, Justin Taylor, Elias Arredondo will be attending a meeting with Adobe, Intergraph, Microstation, Autodesk, SourceView and other vendors to discuss possible solutions to the Continuous Tone (grayscale) raster plotting problems on the Electronic Bid Sets. One of the attendees will report back to the SFAC on any issues or progress that is made as a result of this meeting.

A question was asked on when the prototype Web page for EBS will be available to Districts. Jim MacKenzie answered that if you run Cold Fusion the page is available now. For the rest it is about 80% ready but no estimated time of completion was given. Also, nobody stated where it

could be found.

D. Misc.

Roger Porzig stated that MySQL was worth checking out. It is a free (public domain) SQL database that will handle over 50 million records. It can be found at <http://www.tcs.se> . It is unix based and available on many flavors.

John Kincaid recommended getting TechNet for NT support. It is a subscription service from Microsoft that contains all their documentation, Knowledge Base, white papers, etc. It is updated monthly and has a search engine for finding the topics that you want to see.

Lynn Parson stated that Walla Walla District is now distributing internal Review Sets on CD-ROM. This is beneficial for a couple of reasons ... 1st it saves money on printing costs, 2nd it gets all the files in order and works as sort of a practice run for the final burning of the EBS.

Rock Island District is getting ModelServer Publisher up and running for publishing drawings on the web. They are also using ESRI's web publishing software.