

Minutes from CHPS Meeting Thursday September 4, 2008

Attendees:

ABRFC - Billy Olsen
CNRFC – Pete Fickensher
NERFC – Rob Shedd
NWRFC – Don Laurine, Joe Intermill
NOHRSC – John Halquist
Deltares – Peter Gijsbers
OCWWS –Randy Rieman
OHD –Jon Roe, Joe Gofus

1. CHPS Hardware for Forerunner RFCs

The main focus of this meeting was to discuss the two quotations we had received for the initial CHPS hardware. Joe Gofus had distributed a summary of the quotes received for hardware from two manufacturers: Dell and H-P, along with some comments from Larry Cedrone, who had actually solicited the quotations and had some opinions about them. The differences in price between the quotes as well as uncertainty about inclusion of the operating system and support on H-P as well as the capabilities of the proposed hardware prevented the team from feeling prepared to make an informed decision. In view of the cost of the system, the team discussed the possibility of using one of the 5400 series CPU systems for the Master Controller Server and 7400 series CPU systems for the Forecast Shell Server and Database Server. Peter offered to have Deltares review the proposed hardware and comment on its suitability prior to the next meeting. The other participants also asked to see the proposal details we had received, so JoeG distributed those to all the meeting participants after the meeting. After the meeting, JoeG verified with Kathy O’Leary that making a hardware selection decision on September 11, would still allow sufficient time to use the FY08 funds.

2. Next workshop

Gary Carter was still considering the travel funds authorization request for the workshop. OHD will provide the travel accounting codes as soon as possible after the travel is approved.

Rob Shedd confirmed that the Holiday Inn in Taunton was the most convenient lodging to the RFC.

3. OHD software status report

JoeG stated that Lee is preparing to provide the software for all of migrated models which have passed Level 2 testing to Deltares for their use and testing. This is essentially all of the BOC models with the exception of Res-J and Baseflow.

Joe also mentioned that he and Joe Intermill have been discussing scripts to transfer data output from the OFSDE_CHPS program to Deltares and possibly OHD. JoeI announced that modifying their script to do this would not be as simple as he had originally estimated. John Halquist volunteered to provide a script used by NCRFC which he thought would be easy to adapt.

There was some discussion of whether there was a standard data directory structure for data sent from the RFCs to Deltares. If not, there was general agreement, such a standard is desirable. PeterG volunteered to check on this.

Next meeting: Thursday 9/11/08.