

DCMA Sikorsky Employees Recognized for Outstanding Performance

by Mr. Walt Zaborowski, Contract Administrator, DCMA Sikorsky

On May 12, 2006, at a luncheon in Berlin, Conn., the Connecticut Federal Executive Association presented Ms. Debra Prucinsky and Mr. Armand LeVasseur awards for their achievements at Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA) Sikorsky in Stratford, Conn. Ms. Prucinsky won the award for Professional Employee of the Year – Technical, Scientific and Specialty and Mr. LeVasseur won the Outstanding Customer Service Award.

Ms. Prucinsky, industrial specialist, reviews proposals submitted by Sikorsky Aircraft Corporation to the Army, Navy, Marine Corps and other government customers. Proposals are for items that range from routine spare parts to multi-billion dollar projects encompassing design, development, manufacture, delivery and support of new aircraft models. To advise buying activities, Ms. Prucinsky needs to understand a number of functions, including labor estimation, tools, materials, production control, program and project management, and logistics. To develop that understanding, she attended every training session she could find, arranged visits with subject matter experts, attended Sikorsky production training sessions and worked with other DCMA industrial specialists and industrial engineers. The end result was well-written, comprehensive reports completed on time.

Mr. LeVasseur leads significant initiatives both as a contingency contracting officer in Kuwait

and as a program integrator (PI) for the CH-53K heavy-lift helicopter program in Connecticut. He was deployed to Kuwait as a management administrative officer during the first half of 2006 in support of the Contingency Contracting Directorate. His work in personnel pre-combat theatre administration and logistics operations ensured that all Agency objectives were met on time and on target. As a PI for the CH-53K program, he leads a program support team through the challenges of creating new product lines. His input and guidance at daily program meetings ensure that both the customer and DCMA are clear on issues that need to be resolved.



(Above) Mr. Armand LeVasseur, DCMA Sikorsky program integrator, in the cockpit of a Sikorsky aircraft at the company's plant in Stratford, Conn. (Photo by Mr. Jon Geppert, DCMA Sikorsky)

(Left) Ms. Debra Prucinsky, industrial specialist, DCMA Sikorsky, at the Sikorsky office in Stratford, Conn. (DCMA staff photo)

