

# SBS NEWS

## *In Brief*

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### ***SBS Spotlight***

#### **Market Survey Demos**

Over the last few weeks the SBS Team has been busy coordinating demonstrations from several vendors. These vendors were chosen for demonstrations as leading contenders based on earlier SBS Market Survey activity (see SBS Activities).

The SBS Team prepared detailed scenarios that encompass the DOE budget process. Each vendor had two weeks to prepare a presentation.

Representatives from the SBS Team, Office of Budget, PA&E, Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, and the I-MANAGE Program attended the demonstrations. This market research will be used to identify recommended vendors for the competition.

Additional demonstrations of the vendor products will be viewed later this year.

#### **Market Survey Phase**

The Market Survey Phase of the SBS project, which began on April 2<sup>nd</sup>, has three key objectives. They are to:

- Identify vendors with commercial off-the-shelf (COTS) or government off-the-shelf (GOTS) budget and performance management software packages;
- Assess the functionality of the vendor software packages against DOE functional and technical requirements; and
- Solicit vendors to participate in the next phase, Acquisition, which includes issuance of a request for proposal (RFP) by IBM and stakeholder evaluations.

#### **SBS Activities**

The SBS Team has continued evaluating reporting requirements, identifying users, and refining the functional and technical requirements necessary for the RFP. The majority of our effort, however, has focused on achieving the Market Survey objectives.

Through April and May, the SBS Team has:

- Developed and issued a Market Survey package to ten budget and performance management software vendors;
- Reviewed vendor self-assessments and customer references to identify software packages that meet DOE needs for budget formulation, budget publication, budget distribution/execution and performance management;
- Developed high-level scenarios for the Market Survey demonstrations with assistance from Office of Budget and PA&E experts; and
- Conducted Market Survey demonstrations (see SBS Spotlight).

#### **Upcoming Events**

We will be conducting the next Budget POC meetings on June 26<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> in Germantown and Forrestal to update POCs on the results of the Market Survey and the schedule and activities planned during the Acquisition Phase.

For those that might be interested in participating in the Acquisition Phase, we are targeting September (after the 10<sup>th</sup>!) through early October for vendor demonstrations. We will be providing details to the Budget POCs during the June briefings.