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### **BACKGROUND**

**Mr. Michael Olness** serves as the Government-Industry Data Exchange Program (GIDEP) Program Manager at the Defense Standardization Program Office (DSPO), a position he assumed in June 2024. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree from the University of California and a Master's degree from the University of Phoenix.

Mr. Olness brings almost three decades of logistics expertise, beginning with his service as a Logistics Officer in the United States Marine Corps from 1995 to 2015. During his military career, he held diverse positions spanning operations, transportation, supply, personnel, communications, and installations across organizational levels from small units to Headquarters Marine Corps.

Following his military service, Mr. Olness joined the Defense Logistics Agency (DLA) in December 2015, serving in the Logistics Operations (J3) Division. His DLA tenure included progressively responsible roles: Customer Account Manager for Marine Corps and Navy National Account Manager teams, Syria and Iraq liaison officer for DLA Support Team Kuwait, Lifecycle Logistics Program Manager and Logistics Functional Area Lead, and Senior Data Engineer.

Mr. Olness holds a Certificate in Public Policy from the Harvard Kennedy School and is a certified Acquisition Professional in Lifecycle Logistics at the Advanced level. Additional professional development includes completion of the DLA Insights into Industry Management Course and the Advanced Program in Logistics and Technology (LogTech).