

The CIRT's Role in the TMR LifeCycle

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CIRT - Construction Issues Review Team

1999-2000 CIRT Team Members

- BRUCE JOHNSON (replaced Dawn Scheel) - *Texas*
- BRUCE STAPLETON - *New Brunswick*
- JEREMY KAMPETER (replaced Gina Merseal) - *Missouri*
- SUSAN POWE - *Alabama*
- TOM KRATOCHVIL (will be replaced by Lloyd TaFoya) - *New Mexico*
- SHIRLEY DAUGHTERY (TTF liason) - *Nebraska*

CIRT's Responsibilities

- Prioritizing TMRs For Each New Release
- Reviewing Enhancements
- Providing Input to the Task Force TMR Subgroup

TMR Prioritization Process

- **CIRT members select any TMRs that we consider “very important” or “1’s” then ranking our top 30.**
- **Once all member’s top 30 have been submitted, a conglomerate list is compiled, ranking these for the group. This list usually contains 50 or more TMRs.**
- **Finally, the members participate in a conference call to discuss whether the list is satisfactory or whether some TMRs need to be shifted in ranking.**
- **The list is then submitted to the TTF subgroup for their approval.**

Enhancement Review Process

- **The Team reviews the Enhancement list for possible TMRs then discusses these during the conference calls.**
- **The Team discusses any TMRs that could be Enhancements.**
- **If there is a consensus that some requests are wrongly identified, they are submitted to the TTF for approval.**

The Year in Review

- Began with a couple of meetings during the TUG to try to develop a game plan.
- Several initial conference calls where general issues and concerns were voiced and procedures for prioritizing TMRs were agreed upon
- A list of current TMRs was distributed for members to review and rank and a couple of calls were made to agree on a list. When there were conflicting opinions, each side presented their view and then the Team would vote on the resolution.
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The Year in Review (cont)

- Initially, we came up with a list of 112 TMRs that we thought needed to be fixed immediately and we each put them in the order. Presently, we are ranking the top 30 TMRs and placing them in order.
- In February, we submitted a letter to the Task Force detailing our concerns about the large number of TMRs (over 478 at the time). They responded by shifting enhancement money to the TMR budget.
- Many things have improved since in last year due to the work of the CIRT, the dedication of the Task Force and improved cooperation from InfoTech. We are proposing several changes to improve the process further.

Proposed Changes for the CIRT

- **Set a deadline to finalize our list 1-month after each release. This will give us time to weed out any that were fixed on the release.**
- **Every 3 months review new TMRs and submit any important ones to the TTF.**
- **Have each person responsible for a specific area and they could be contacted if a state had an important TMR in that area.**
- **Post a contact list of the CIRT Members on the TUG website.**
- **Post a list of our prioritized TMRs for review.**

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Requests/Recommendations

- Review your state's TMRs and Enhancements every 6 months and verify they are still valid.
- Try to make your TMR explanation as clear as possible - the CIRT currently does not have access to screen shots.
- Report problems even if there is a TMR posted.
- Need a more accurate list from InfoTech.

Questions or Suggestions?

