

Department of National Defence Selects NGRAIN as Preferred 3D Performance Support Solutions Provider

NGRAIN's unique, 3D simulations of complex equipment enhances training and reduces maintenance time across the Canadian Forces

VANCOUVER, BC — April 9, 2008 — NGRAIN, an award-winning provider of 3D performance support solutions, announced today that it has been awarded a one year contract (with four option years) by Public Works and Government Services Canada on behalf of the Department of National Defence (DND) as a sole supplier of interactive 3D equipment simulations. This NGRAIN Enterprise Software 3D Modelling & Visualization contract was sponsored by the Assistant Deputy Minister of Materiel (ADM Mat) as a national multi-year, cross services contract. This multi-million dollar contract (with all options exercised) will provide 3D virtual equipment simulations used for performance support, training and maintenance.

NGRAIN software enables non-technical users to incorporate information relevant to each element of the 3D object (part, assembly, and sub-assembly) and easily insert the resultant 3D Knowledge Object into Microsoft Word documents, PowerPoint slides, web pages or courseware. By allowing users to integrate animations, parts information, hyperlinks, and pictures into the 3D models, NGRAIN provides trainees with a comprehensive learning experience.

Using NGRAIN solutions, DND personnel can interact with the 3D virtual object much as they would with a real piece of complex equipment. Once created, the same NGRAIN 3D content can be used in multiple training courses, technical publications and logistics applications, and can be deployed on standard desktops, ruggedized laptops, tablet PCs, and PDAs. This enables the rapid, efficient deployment of simulations and provides DND personnel access to the most up-to-date information in the classroom or in the field.

Extending a long-standing relationship with the Canadian Forces, this contract covers the entire suite of NGRAIN products and solutions, most notably NGRAIN 3D Virtual Task Trainers (VTTs). NGRAIN VTTs are 3D Knowledge Objects with animations, tasks, and testing built to represent a series of procedures on specific equipment. NGRAIN VTTs can be used as a standalone training or operational aid, or can be embedded into courseware or technical publications.

"With NGRAIN 3D solutions, Canadian DND personnel will have easy access to complicated information when and where it's needed most," said Paul Lindahl, CEO of NGRAIN. "This contract is not only a great achievement for NGRAIN, it's also an opportunity for trainers, system integrators, courseware developers, and manufacturers to help improve military training by providing standardized access to content across the DND and Canadian Forces."

NGRAIN enables the rapid development of content for use with new as well as legacy equipment across all services of the Canadian Forces.

NGRAIN solutions have been employed to address numerous DND requirements, ranging from vehicle modelling, urban warfare simulation, weapons training, vehicle / aircraft maintenance training, and combat bridge building simulations.

About NGRAIN

NGRAIN transforms the sustainment of complex equipment with 3D performance support solutions for the aerospace and defense industry. NGRAIN increases equipment readiness by accelerating learning on complex equipment, enabling first-time-right performance, and reducing maintenance cycle time.

NGRAIN is optimized for web deployment and portable devices. With NGRAIN, anyone can rapidly incorporate interactive 3D equipment simulations into sustainment applications, including courseware and technical manuals.

Customers include all branches of the United States military, the Canadian Forces, and leading defense manufacturers and system integrators, including Lockheed Martin, Northrop Grumman, and CAE.

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